



**TADOBA-ANDHARI TIGER RESERVE  
SEPTEMBER 2011**

**Team:**

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**Highlights**

- ⇒ *Anti-plastic programmes in 2 villages*
- ⇒ *Shramdhaans to dig soak pits and clean surroundings next to hand pumps in 2 villages*
- ⇒ *Campus cleaning in 2 schools*
- ⇒ *Follow-up to plantation done earlier at one village*
- ⇒ *10 classroom visits in environment education programme, attended by 412 students*
- ⇒ *10 film shows on wildlife, attended by 464 people*
- ⇒ *Driver's training programme started on September 22 for 20 unemployed villagers of Kolara*
- ⇒ *Three unemployed youths placed in jobs at Nagpur*
- ⇒ *Health camps in 5 villages – total of 172 patients treated*
- ⇒ *Two visits to Bhagwanpur to follow up status of relocated villagers*

**Conservation**

S.No	Date	Village	Activity	Participants
1	Sept 6	Kutwanda	Anti-plastic programme	19
2	Sept 7	Adegaon	Digging of soak pit and cleaning of surroundings next to well	2
3	Sept 10	Kondegaon	Cleaning of school campus	14
4	Sept 12	Bamdeli	Anti-plastic programme	11
5	Sept 13	Kutwanda	Digging of soak pit and cleaning of surroundings next to well	3
6	Sept 20	Katwal	Cleaning of school campus	24
7	Sept 23	Dewada	Follow-up to plantation done earlier	9

On September 6, Bandu organised an anti-plastic programme at Kutwanda in which school students cleaned up the village of plastic litter and waste. The litter/waste was then buried in pits. 19 students of the ZP Primary School joined hands with Bandu in this task.



*Anti-plastic programme at ZP School, Bamdeli, Tadoba*

A similar programme was organised on September 12 at Bamdeli with 11 students.

On September 7, as part of our community work, Bandu organised a programme at Adegaon to clean up the surroundings next to a well used to draw drinking water. Spillover water had stagnated next to the well, leading to a proliferation of mosquitoes and other insects. Two unemployed youths joined hands with Bandu to clean up the surroundings and to dig a canal to drain the water away. A soak pit was dug, into which the water was diverted.



*Cleaning area near well at Adegaon*



*Cleaning water-logged area near well at Kutwanda*

A similar programme was organised on September 13 at Kutwanda in which 3 unemployed youths joined hands with Bandu.

On September 10, Bandu organised a programme at Zilla Parishad Primary School, Kondegaon to promote awareness about the need for hygiene and cleanliness. 14 students and one teacher then joined hands with Bandu in cleaning up the school campus of litter and waste.

A similar programme was organised at Katwal ZP Primary School in which 24 students participated.



*Cleaning of campus at ZP School, Katwal*

On September 23, Bandu went to Dewada to monitor the progress of saplings planted in July. Bandu conducts regular follow-up visits to ensure that the saplings are watered properly and that they get adequate protection from livestock.

### ***Education***

During September, Bandu visited 10 schools to deliver lectures on nature and wildlife conservation.

S.no	Date	School	Village	Number of students
1	September 6	Zilla Parishad Primary School	Katwal	46
2	Sept 6	--do--	Kutwanda	37
3	Sept 7	--do--	Chorgaon	99
4	Sept 7	--do--	Adegaon	20
5	Sept 10	--do--	Kondegaon	30
6	Sept 12	--do--	Dewada	20
7	Sept 12	--do--	Bamdeli	9
8	Sept 13	--do--	Moharli	68
9	Sept 16	--do--	Mudholi	69
10	Sept 20	--do--	Sitarampeth	14
	<b>Total</b>			<b>412</b>

### ***Employment Cell***

During September, three unemployed youths got jobs thanks to our efforts.

S. no	Name	Village	Monthly Salary in rupees	Educational Qualification	Date	Age	Job
1	Sachin Barekar	Chorgaon	150/- per day + accommodation	10 <sup>th</sup> standard fail	Sept 30	19	Manual labourer/ helper at Sunfeast

							Biscuits, Buti-Bori, Nagpur
2	Vilas Bhurse	Kolara	--do--	12 <sup>th</sup> standard pass	--do--	35	--do--
3	Sachin Navgade	Kolara	--do--	10 <sup>th</sup> standard pass	--do--	22	--do--

On September 22, we launched a programme at Kolara to train 20 youths in driving four-wheelers. Once the youths get their licences, we will assist them in getting jobs. The programme is funded through donation received from Ms Diya Bannerjee, a wildlife lover and supporter of conservation work. The programme lasts 28 days.



*Driver's training programme at Kolara*



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In other livelihood-related work, our Mumbai-based supporter Ms Rajashree Khalap visited Moharli on September 14 to support girls whom we had trained in tailoring and embroidery. Rajashree provided models of re-usable bags for the girls to replicate and is helping with market linkages for the bags made by the girls.



*Moharli girls, trained in tailoring through us, discuss market linkages with SF team*

### Education Van

There were a total of 10 film shows on wild life in September.

S.No	Date	Place	Movie	Participants
1	Sept 28	ZP School, Dewada	Saving the Tiger – Part I	20
2		ZP School, Adegaon	Meena, Bhimashankar	22
3		ZP School, Bamdeli	--do--	10
4	Sept 29	ZP School, Kondegaon	Saving the Tiger – Part I	29
5		ZP School, Kutwanda	Kanha Laxmi	37
6		ZP School, Katwal	Saving the Tiger – Part I	91
7		ZP School, Mudholi	Tadoba – Part I	87
8		Moharli village show	Saving the Tiger – Part I	63
9	Sept 30	ZP School, Sitarampeth	Saving the Tiger – Part I	23
10	Sept 30	ZP School, Chorgaon	Saving the Tiger – Part I	82
	<b>Total</b>			<b>464</b>



*Film show at ZP School, Adegaon*



*Film show at ZP School, Kutwanda*

### MHU

We assisted nature Conservation Society, Amravati in conducting health camps in 5 villages during September.

S.no	Date	Village	Patients
1	Sept 3	Sitarampeth	34

2		Zari	15
3	Sept 4	Piparheti	47
4		Pangdi	17
5	Sept 5	Kolasa	59
	<b>Total</b>		<b>172</b>



*Medical camp at Adegaoon*



*Health camp at Sonegaon*