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Wildlife & We Protection Foundation

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Message from the Director Mr Divyang Chauhan

Hello All,

I am happy to inform you all that we have completed the first year of our organisation. In this year we have initiated a number of projects, and all these are in various stages of completion. We are moving slowly and steadily towards our goal.



Broad-scale destruction and fragmentation of native vegetation is a highly visible result of human land-use throughout the world. Much of the original vegetation now remains only as fragments amidst expanses of land committed to feeding and housing human beings. Destruction and fragmentation of habitats are major factors in the global decline of populations and species, the modification of native plant and animal communities and the alteration of ecosystem processes. Dealing with these changes is among the greatest challenges. Our organisation, 'Wildlife & We Protection Foundation is engaged in meeting this challenge head on. Though we are a small organisation, we believe that nothing is impossible if one is dedicated to the cause. We have and will continue to do our bit towards conservation of our natural resources.

Divyang Chauhan

Message from the Chief Executive Officer – Dr. Shivaji Chavan

Hi All,

The fundamental linkages among organisms and their physical and biological environment constitute an interacting and ever-changing system that is known as an ecosystem. An ecosystem is a dynamic complex of plant, animal, and microorganism communities and the nonliving environment, interacting as a functional unit. Humans are an integral part of ecosystems. Ecosystem services are the benefits people obtain from ecosystems. These include provisioning services such as food and water; regulating services such as flood and disease control; cultural services such as spiritual, recreational, and cultural benefits; and supporting services, such as nutrient cycling, that maintain the conditions for life on Earth. An assessment of the condition of ecosystems, the provision of services, and their relation to human well-being requires an integrated approach. This enables a decision process to determine which service or set of services is valued most highly and how to develop approaches to maintain services by managing the system sustainably. We through our organisation promote and work for sustainable development.



Dr. Shivaji Chavan

Vision

‘A better tomorrow for all by striving for harmony amongst environment and people by promoting integrated solutions to conservation oriented development

Goal

Forest, Wildlife and Environmental Managers as technocrats making optimum use of the available technology for immediate and long term measures for conservation.

Our Objectives

- ✚ To protect and conserve the wildlife in India and in other part of world by bringing awareness amongst the people by holding programmes, conferences, seminars for better coexistence with humans.
- ✚ To provide legal, social, environmental and any and all sort of consultation for protection, conservation, awareness and well-being of wildlife in India.
- ✚ To provide schemes for Animal Life Insurance, Animal Health Care and for the purpose run educational institutions, schools, colleges, hospitals. ‘

About Us

Wildlife and We Protection Foundation was registered under The Companies Act 1956, section 25 as NGO on Date 27th May 2008. Our Approach has been Ecological Restoration, Institutions in Local Self – governance, Conservation and Livelihoods and Efforts at Landscape Level

Our Specialised Services Offered

1. Conservation Oriented Development Services

- ✚ Spatial Digital Planning and Management Support Systems for Protected Areas, Managed Forests, Wildlife Corridors and District and Other Specialised Planning Agencies
- ✚ Development of Interpretation Centres, Nature Trails and Environmental Awareness Material and Wetlands Centres.
- ✚ Conducting Specialised Environmental Studies
- ✚ Ecosystem Assessments (Local, Regional, State and National)
- ✚ Conducting Environment Impact Assessment Studies
- ✚ Facilitation and Consultation related to Government Environmental Clearance for Developmental Projects based on sound scientific footing of 'Conservation Oriented Development.
- ✚ Hardware and Software Planning for Sustainable Ecotourism/ Rural Tourism and Tourism in general
- ✚ Promotion of 'Green Buildings' through Low Cost Interventions.
- ✚ Spatial Digital Planning and Management Support Systems for Disaster Mitigation and Emergency Management.
- ✚ Facilitation in Implementation of Forest Rights Act
- ✚ Capacity Building Programs in Applications of Modern Tools and Technology in Resource Management and 'Conservation Oriented Infrastructural Development, Wildlife Crime Prevention, Wildlife Health, Wildlife Forensics, Wildlife Rescue Operations, Field Based Studies.
- ✚ Drafting of 'Conservation Plans' and Technical Inputs in Working Plans
- ✚ Conduction of Floral and Faunal Surveys
- ✚ Research in Environmental Issues, Natural Resource Management and Social Geography
- ✚ Advice in Wild Animal Human Conflict and Rescue Operations
- ✚ Capacity of Corporate Sector in Environmental Issues, CSR Investments, Environment Impact Assessment and Sustainability in Business (Collaboration University of Wales, Bangor, UK)

2. Our Domain of Activities related to Rural Integrated Planning

- ✚ Evolving, Planning, Developing and testing Models for Integrated Development with site specific perspective.

- ✚ Rural Integrated “Conservation- Oriented-Developmental Planning, development of Implementation Strategy and Monitoring Protocols.
- ✚ Aiming at Dependency-Reduction of Communities crucial for conservation of natural resources through the Public Private Community Partnerships(PPCP)

3. Planning, Development, Management, Implementation and Monitoring of CSR

- ✚ Conservation Oriented Planning in Education Sector- Education for Sustainable Development to promote Sustainable Living- An Initiative being Planned with the experts and consultants from Sweden.
- ✚ Technical Support in Infrastructural Planning and Location Based Services for Health and Infrastructural Development through development of Digital Planning and Management Support System.
- ✚ Capacity and Competency Building Programs for Planners, Managers, Implementers and Monitoring Agencies dealing in Corporate Social Responsibility.
- ✚ Capacity and Competency Building for Planning and Implementation Livelihood programs and their up-scaling to ensure Conservation Oriented Development.
- ✚ Providing Integrated Solutions for Conservation Oriented Development in various sectors, themes and disciplines of Environmental Conservation vis-à-vis Corporate Social Responsibility.
- ✚ Promotion and Facilitation of Public Private Community Partnerships

4. Our Capacity Building Programs for Forest Department

- ✚ Frontline Staff- Continuous Participatory Capacity Building Program Course (PPT)- Four One Week Courses over Two Years with a One Week Course every six months
- ✚ Course on Applications of Modern Tools and Technology in Natural Resource Planning, Management and Monitoring.(Three Days)
- ✚ One Day Crash Course for Middle Level Executives in Applications of Forensic Sciences in Wildlife Management
- ✚ One Day Course of Practical Aspects Implementation of Environmental Laws.
- ✚ Two Days Capsule Course in Non-Timber Forest Produce Identification, Natural and Artificial Propagation, Maintenance, Value Addition and Development of Forward and Backward Linkages.

Five Week Course in Forest and Wildlife Management and allied issues and spaced out with intervening six month gap in which ‘On-Job-Assignments’ are allocated to Frontline Staff The Five One Week

Projects Initiated

The following projects were initiated on a 'No Profit No Loss' Basis in the interest of Wildlife Conservation in Central India.

- ✚ Nature Interpretation Center , Sivasa, Dadra Nagar Haveli
- ✚ Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra
- ✚ Tadoba Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra
- ✚ Kanha Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh
- ✚ Melghat Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra
- ✚ Ranthambhor Tiger Reserve, Rajasthan
- ✚ Sahaydri Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra
- ✚ Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh
- ✚ Kuno Wildlife Sanctuary, Madhya Pradesh
- ✚ Boramdeo Wildlife Sanctuary, Chhattisgarh
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- ✚ Nawegaon Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra
- ✚ Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra
- ✚ Mayureshwar Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra
- ✚ Projects with Eco-Tourism Board of Chhattisgarh

Status of Our Projects

Sr. No	Name of the Project	Place	Status
1	Nature Interpretation Center ,	Silvasa, Dadra Nagar Haveli	Launched
2	Pench Tiger Reserve	Maharashtra	80% Complete
3	Tadoba Tiger Reserve,	Maharashtra	80% Complete
4	Kanha Tiger Reserve,	Madhya Pradesh	40% Complete
5	Melghat Tiger Reserve,	Maharashtra	Initiated

6	Ranthambore Tiger Reserve	Rajasthan	Completed
7	Sahaydri Tiger Reserve	Maharashtra	Initiated and formalization
8	Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve,	Chhattisgarh	Initiated and formalization
9	Kuno Wildlife Sanctuary	Madhya Pradesh	95% Completed
10	Bhoramdeo Wildlife Sanctuary	Chhattisgarh	Administrative Database Complete
11	Barnavapara Wildlife Sanctuary	Chhattisgarh	Initiated and formalization
12	Bhoramdeo Wildlife Sanctuary	Chhattisgarh	Formalization of Phase II
13	Nawegaon Wildlife Sanctuary,	Maharashtra	Initiated and formalization
14	Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary	Maharashtra	Initiated and formalization
15	Mayureshwar Wildlife Sanctuary	Maharashtra	Yet to be initiated
16	Projects with Eco-Tourism Board of Chhattisgarh	Chhattisgarh	Yet to be formalized

These projects involve generation of spatial database for the Forest Departments of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh. It also consists of 'Development of Digital Planning and Management Systems' for the Protected Areas in Central India.

Other Initiatives

1. Provided technical support to the 'Central Indian Satpuda Maikal Landscape Tiger Conservation Project of WWF-India' in spatial database related issues as *gratis*.
2. Technical support to the Central Indian 'Satpuda Maikal Landscape Tiger Conservation Project' of WWF-India for generation of 'Report on Public Private Community Partnership with emphasis on the Panchayat Raj Institutions', for the District Administration.(On actual services payments)
3. Provided technical support to the WWF-India State Office, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh in development of Spatial Data for Hardware Rural Tourism Project of Ecotourism Board of Chhattisgarh (as *gratis*)
4. Provided technical support to the Forest Department of Maharashtra for 'Monitoring of Elusive Carnivores' in Pench and Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve. The data was shared with

the Forest Department of Maharashtra and the 'Central Indian Satpuda Maikal Landscape Tiger Conservation Project of WWF-India to support their conservation efforts (as *gratis*)

5. Support and Coordination provided for organization of a 'Workshop on Water Quality Assessments and Bio- Remediation for Polluting Industries in Vapi, organized by the Toxics Division of the WWF-India, New Delhi.

Other Ongoing Projects

1. Village Adoption Project completed in Silvassa in collaboration with District Administration, Silvassa and Balmer and Laurie
2. Conceptualization of Interpretation Centers for selected Protected Areas in Maharashtra.

Future Plan

1. Completion of the aforesaid/ abovementioned Projects and support wildlife conservation in India.
2. Initiate works in the areas of Forest Management Issues as follows;
 - ✚ Plantation & Maintenance
 - ✚ Social forestry
 - ✚ Free distribution of seedling to the farm local tribal with an object to Increase of green cover
 - ✚ Road & canal side plantation
 - ✚ Appropriate measures for water & soil conservation.
3. Initiate works in the areas of Wildlife Management Issues
 - ✚ Capacity Building of Frontline staff of the Forest Department in Central India
 - ✚ Development of Eco-tourism
 - ✚ Development of Science Activity Center
 - ✚ Development of Nature Education Centre s
 - ✚ Conservation Presented Development of Natural settings
 - ✚ Propagating and initiating ' Greed Buildings Project'
 - ✚ Initiations for ' Education for Sustainable Development Project'
 - ✚ Planning and Management Support Systems for Tourism in general and to be specific Ecotourism and Rural Tourism

- ✚ Maintenance of Lion Safari, Satmaliya Deer Enclosure & Luhari Deer Park
- 4. Formal collaborations being initiated with the Forest Department of Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Chhattisgarh and the Administration of Dadra Nagar Haveli, especially in Silvassa.
- 5. Informal collaborations being initiated with Central Indian Satpuda Maikal Landscape Tiger Conservation Project of WWF-India, District Administration of Mandla and Dindori in Madhya Pradesh and Balmer and Laurie Ltd.
- 6. Latest Project Proposals being readied for expected funding
 - ✚ Anti Poaching Measures for Protection and Conservation of Tigers in Central India
 - ✚ 'Doctors for Tigers Initiatives' for contribution of doctors to the 'Well Being of Village Communities' in and around- Protected Areas and Reserved and Protected Forests.
 - ✚ Development of an 'Enterprise for Supporting Conservation Efforts of the State Governments and Government of India.
 - ✚ 'Corporates for Tigers Initiative', for supporting wildlife and forest conservation efforts of the State Government and the Government of India.
 - ✚ Development of a 'Project on Carbon Credits' for the State Government of Maharashtra and to start with Mumbai as a Pilot Project Area.
 - ✚ Involvement of Village Communities in Silvassa in local artifacts and product development and developing 'Forward and Backward Linkage' for the same.
 - ✚ Plan for a 'Massive Environment Awareness and Education drive in Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, DNH and Gujarat.
 - ✚ Development of Planning and Management Support System for Silvassa, Forest Department of DNH.

Continue with Endeavors as follows

1. Forest Management Issues

- ✚ Plantation & Maintenance
- ✚ Social forestry
- ✚ Free distribution of seedling to the farm local tribal with an object to Increase of green cover
- ✚ Road & canal side plantation
- ✚ Appropriate measures for water & soil conservation.

2. Wildlife Management Issues

- ✚ Re-Introduction of Wild Animal
- ✚ Development of Eco-tourism
- ✚ Development of Science Activity Center – Center of Excellence in Conservation Oriented Development
- ✚ Development of Nature Education Centre
- ✚ Maintenance of Lion Safari, Satmaliya Deer Enclosure & Luhari Deer Park .

Our Core Team

Dr. Shivaji Chavan – Team Leader

He is an academician, trainer and researcher in the Field of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment and allied Field. As a forest officer, he served the Maharashtra Forest Service, Forest Department of Maharashtra from 1986 to 2011. He was associated with WWF while on a sabbatical from his service with the forest department. His expertise lies in Wildlife, Environmental Conservation, Environmental Economics, Carbon Budgeting, Applications of Modern Tools and Technology in Forest, Wildlife, Environment and allied fields



Mr. Ranjeet Sahu

RS-GIS Expert

His expertise lies in Technology Development, and Applications, GIS, Remote Sensing and Allied Technologies and Networking



Mr. Ishteyaque Patel



Field and Capacity Building Executive

He is highly experienced and is adept at carrying out various activities related to field of Forest and Wildlife.

Mr Rajneesh Bajpai

GIS and RS Data Preparation

Technical Associate, GIS with Technology Applications,



We have a small team of highly specialised professionals that functions on small budget without compromising on the quality of work. We hire volunteers as and when the need arises. We donot accept donation and manage to function on our small earnings through the projects that we undertake.