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Saving one animal won't change the world but  
it will change the world for that one animal.

## Editor speaks.....The Gods I love them too....

Every time when we come to this part of the year dotted with festivals (at least majorly in Maharashtra) it is a sense of déjà vu for me. The Elephant God in his various forms visits literally each and every home of the region bestowing upon its devotees the best of blessings and wishes from his kitty. The mood is festive and the atmosphere colourful. India is that mystifying land where we are taught through our history and mythology that each animal, bird, flower and tree has a very important role to play and that there is a lesson to be learnt from the tiniest of ants and bees to the mightiest of bears and elephants. In a country like ours we do not forget to pay our respects to the animal or bird 'V hana' for each deity too. V hana, (literally "that which carries, that which pulls") denotes the being, typically an animal or mythical entity, a particular Hindu deity is said to use as a vehicle. The v hana is often called the deity's "mount". Upon such partnerships between the deity and his v hana is woven much iconography and mythology. Such is the importance of our fauna that we associate most of them if not all with our Gods & Goddesses. Such is the power of our history and intelligence of our forefathers that they have understood that the human form has to be associated with the faunal form to create an invincible and powerful partnership.



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The power of the human mind, the nature of the human race and the sinister magnetic effect with which the material world of today attracts destruction, has put the above formed partnership on literally, 'a sticky wicket'. On one hand India is one of the 12 mega-diversity countries, while on the other it has only 2.4 per cent of the global land area. India's immense faunal diversity represents about 6.5 per cent of world's fauna. At the same time our forest cover is only around 24% of the land area. We are estimated to have over 81,000 various faunal species and at the same time as many as 29 endangered species like slow loris, brown bear, Himalayan lynx, clouded leopard, musk deer, ibex are found in India. The challenges are immense. The problems are mainly man made. The solutions lie within us but needs a prejudice free mind to solve. The need of the hour is to strengthen our ecological heritage that our ancestors have passed on. The goal is to handover an even better legacy to our future generations. If we understand the Abraham Maslow's Hierarchy of Need theory we are living in an 'ego system' where self actualization and esteem needs are the two on top of the pyramid. The world has to move on and discard this theory. We need to move onto a new theory that of the 'eco system'. Pyramids should be replaced by circles of ecological coexistence. Same has been depicted in our history and mythology. Even the Elephant God visits us along with his 'mooshak' as v hana. There is a message in it for all of us.

Wildlife week coinciding with such festive occasions associated with our Gods & Goddesses is but a stark reminder that wildlife cannot be ignored anymore or that its importance is linked to the existence of human race. I wish to thank all the individuals, groups, governmental bodies and employees who are contributing their bit to safeguard the wildlife of this mega bio diversity as well as request them to form good partnerships and teams which rise above the Maslow's 'ego systems' and forms a new 'eco system'. This wildlife week lets pledge that our partnership with the wildlife will never be 'weak'.

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CCF & FD Pench & Bor TR

## Camera Trap : Our 'spy' in the jungle ... never misses any secrets unfolding in the depths of the forest



Interesting sequence of leopard pair inspecting and fortifying their territory by marking on the trees in Umarvihiri beat of New Bor WLS of Bor Tiger Reserve.

(Photo credit : Mr. Ganesh Dahatonde, forest guard, Umarvihiri beat)

## The Lost Mammals of India

There was a time when India was home for some of the most beautiful wild animals. Owing to excessive hunting and poaching for sport and body parts by man, these wild animals have become extinct. Some of the wild species are on the brink of extinction and some of them are already extinct such as Dangs giant squirrel and Aldabra banded snail. Critically endangered species in India are the great cats, one horn rhinoceros, Ganges river dolphins, purple frog, birds species such as Himalayan quail, great Indian bustard and Indian horn-bill and many small mammals.

**Indian Cheetah:** Indian Cheetah also known as Asiatic Cheetah have been known to exist in India for a very long time. Due to access hunting, Deforestation and habitat loss, the fastest land animal on earth become extinct in India. The Asiatic Cheetah is a rare and critically endangered species of Big Cats family, now found today only in Iran so also known as the Iranian Cheetah, world's last few are occasional sightings in neighbor countries of India. Indian Cheetah was found in semi-desert areas of Rajasthan and Gujarat and other open habitats where prey was available.



**Indian Aurochs:** The Indian Aurochs once lived in the hot and dry areas of India. The huge wild cattle was larger than most modern domestic cattle with height of 6.6 ft and weight of 1,000 kilograms. The Indian bison or The gaur is the largest species of wild cattle found in India. Zebu and gaur are the Indian cattle, who are quite similar to the extinct wild Indian Aurochs. Extinct type of cattle was the most challenging hunting wild animal like the wild water buffalo and



wild boar.

**Sivatherium:** Sivatherium was a very large approximately 7ft tall extinct animal found in India. The giant beasts was first discovered in India, where it was called as "Sivatherium" due to the Hindu God Lord Shiva. The Sivatheres were the tallest and fastest monsters found in India ever.



**Sumatran Rhinoceros:** The Sumatran Rhinoceros has been declared as one of the extinct animal in India. The sumatran rhinoceros is the smallest rhinoceros with two horns and only extant species of the genus Dicerorhinus. The extinct Sumatran rhinoceros, once roamed and inhabited rainforests of India and neighbor north east Asian countries. They are now critically endangered species and estimated to number fewer than 275 only and found in neighbor countries of India.



**Pink-Headed Duck:** Pink-headed Duck was a large diving blackish-brown duck. It was one of the most beautiful bird in India. The long-necked duck once found in throughout India, but it's beautiful appearance made it most hunted birds in India, Due to access of hunting this beautiful bird is fall in the category of extinct birds in India. There is hope that the critically endangered species could still survive in some part of India our neighbor countries.



Source: <http://www.walkthroughindia.com/wildlife/the-5-extinction-wild-animals-in-india/>

## Pench plays host to principals from top schools of Nagpur

The fauna of the land of Mowgli, Pench Tiger Reserve at Sillari were a disciplined lot on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015 as principals of 16 top schools of Nagpur visited them under the Principals Meet Programme. These principals belong to the schools registered under the Green School Programme run by the Pench Tiger Reserve Conservation Foundation.

This year the Principals meet was held on the topic 'Role of Children in Wildlife Conservation'. The day began early for the principals even on Sunday as they embarked upon the tiger reserve and were taken round the Tiger Tale at the Nature interpretation centre 'Amaltaas' at Sillari. Thereafter they settled down for some interesting brain storming sessions with the top officials of Pench tiger reserve, Maharashtra including Mr. D. H. Raut (DFO- Ramtek), Mr. Nandkishor Kale (ACF- Pench) & Mrs. Dipali Talmale (ACF- Pench), Mr. Atul Deokar (RFO- Pipariya). The topic of tiger conservation and reason to protect the forests was presented and deliberated upon in a participative manner. All the principals came up with innovative ideas and then also discussed upon various methods of implementing the same by the 'green army' of students.

During the meet the principals also participated in a quiz activity based on birds. The quiz was very informative and conducted by Mr. Jaydeep Das & Mr. Vivek Deshpande of the Pench Foundation. It was an innovative way to spread the knowledge in the society about various birds species and arouse interest.

The principals also visited the Pride of Pench centre run by the woman self help group and enjoyed delicious lunch prepared by the canteen ladies belonging to this group. Later they were demonstrated the use of drone technology in wildlife monitoring and conservation and taken for a jungle safari in open center.

## Reactions and feedback of principals and directors of some green schools:

It was an awesome experience....I enjoyed and learnt a lot....conservation of wild life is need of time .....it should be one of the 'sanskaras' for the present generation..who else than the school will share the responsibility...so the information provided by forest officials was very good and needed....I must congratulate the sincere efforts put by forest department...

-**Dr. Mrinalini Dasture** (Director- South Point & Royal Gondwana Public School)

It made us understand d fact we are not owners of mother but tenants. Jab take van rahenge tab take hum rahenge.

- **Mrs. Anju Bhutani**, Principal Bhavans, B. P. Vidya Mandir, Civil Lines.

Sunday visit was very educative and innovative for all the principals. The knowledge imparted by the forest department was unique and worth appreciating.

- **Mrs. Archana Joshi**, Principal Guru Harkishan Public School



In our daily routines one can hardly give a thought for wildlife, forest and specially tigers which is our national animal and so this visit to Pench has made us realize the importance of the tigers and the challenges faced by forest department in tiger conservation.

- **Dr. Mrs. Parinita Fuke**, Director, Hillfort Public School

Such activities and events are important to update and spread awareness amongst the principals about importance of saving and protecting wildlife flora and fauna, so that they pass on the same or important information to the teachers and students.

- **Rohan Kapai** (Modern School Koradi & N. K. Academy)

Feedback continues.....

## The Saga of TF2

TF2/ Tiger Female 2; was an identity given to this female tiger cub which was rescued in Chandrapur district in the month of September, 2009. Her sister TF1 was rescued few days before her hence the numbering. They had a brother as well, named TM1 (Tiger Male 1). They were orphaned and shifted to Bor tiger reserve under the intention of releasing them into the wild post complete training for survival. They were later shifted to Pench Tiger Reserve in April, 2013 in a bigger enclosure where they started their training for survival in the wild.

For next two years they were fed 200 + live baits so as to train them in hunting animals out in the forests. NTCA (National Tiger Conservation Authority), from Delhi, is the authority for giving a go for any captive tigers to be released into the wild. The day finally dawned when TF2, who had killed around 200 live baits, chitals, sambars, wild boar, nilgais etc., was given a green signal from the authorities stating that she's fit to be released into the wild but of course on experimental basis. This was the first of its kind of study to be conducted at Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra where in a tiger raised in captivity was given the necessary training and was about to be released into the wild.

She was immediately collared on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2015 and soft released from her enclosure into the wild on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2015. The collared TF2, unaware about the rules of the forests, wandered for next 22 days fighting against all odds kept in front of her for the first time in 6 years of her life.

She went and settled down in the river stream for initial few days of her freedom. She didn't move more than 20 meters for 52 hours. This put the officials worried thinking of extremes that forest can be cruel

towards a new entrant. She was extensively searched for in the next 24 hours, with guards on their foot, guards on the elephant. Finally she was spotted, little scared but alert and agile, probably hurt from an encounter with another tiger. She was left alone, she needed that time to settle in the wild before we intervened. She then started her journey from there the next day to explore the forest land. She walked all nights and rested during the days. During her journey she came across various other tigers as she walked by their territories. She fought, she got defeated but she had to keep on moving. She tried hunting, wasn't familiar with the different shades of the jungle where there were langurs, sambars giving alarm calls, disturbing her, alerting her preys & not allowing her to make a kill. Her preys ran

faster than usual, longer than they did before in the enclosure. She found dead meat, half eaten, in desperation ate it, which kept her going for next few days. She might have made smaller kills to keep her going but there's no way to confirm that again. She kept wandering for days, kept on searching for a place she can call her own, a place which she can call her home.

She kept on entering other tiger's territories who had established them over time, got into fights and moved on.

On day 21, she started walking straight towards a village, 'Khapa'. She entered the village boundaries', people saw, people got scared; they came in large numbers ready to kill the tigress if at all they felt the slightest danger from her towards their fellow village mates. They were frightened, they were angry, they blamed the officials for this. The situation heated up, decision had to be taken; need to intervene.

She saw them all, she turned back. She went just few hundred meters away from the village, into the woods. Totally frightened, with other members of her species on one side not giving her space, humans on the other and with an empty stomach and a hungry soul, she settled in here for the night. Next day it was decided to bring the soul back to its home, its enclosure, not because she was unfit for wild, but because the wild had no space for her. She was captured back on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June, 2015 after being free for last 22 days.

I was fortunate enough to get the opportunity to do the darting and maintain the anesthesia for this tigress both the times, when she was collared and when she was recaptured. The magnificent individual who was all agile and in high spirits, very aggressive when she was anesthetized before collaring had turned into skeleton with a thin layer of muscle covered by skin, desperate and scared in 22 days of living a free life. She was pale, had lost a lot of weight. The queen of the forests almost lost its life against the rules of the nature. This is a classic example of Herbert Spencer's phrase 'survival of the fittest' where the forests keep the mighty all strong and in power and on the other hand the weak are cast away. Today she lives happy, stress free and a lazy life. She gets fed regularly and has her own home. She has the right to live is what everyone believes in and that's what she is enjoying today. Her contribution to the conservation of species might not be there but still there's a lot to learn from this beautiful creature under close observation during her stay in the enclosure. This experience teaches us just not to make the animal raised in captivity fit for the wild but also

to ensure the wild has space for the one to be released. If the individual can be seen disturbing the existing species ecology in the wild, it should foreseen and not released. Here though it might seem unfair by many with respect to considering the individual but the need of the hour is survival of the species. Realistically this tiger actually played a huge role in conservation. The learning's can be debated over and over but the outcome was a win win for all. (by Dr. Ruta Bandivadekar)



Collaring of TF2 before release



## Feedback of principals continues.....

I thank forest team for organising the visit to Pench. I enjoyed the splendid beauty of nature and learnt many new things about the wildlife and nature and its importance in human life.

- Mrs. Zeenat Sayyed, Principal, Poddar International School

Such trips not only give us a glimpse of our pristine environment but also help us as teachers to enrich and guide our students towards conservation of the environment.

- Mrs. Kanchan Ukey, Vice Principal, Center point School Wardhamannagar

This visit will help me to sensitize my students towards their responsibility for the mother earth. It gave us various mediums thru which we can enhance and spread the knowledge of our ecosystem.

- Mrs. Jayshree Bhake, Principal G. H. Raisoni Vidyanketan



# News from the field

## UK T1 Male Tiger commonly known as 'Jai' radio collared successfully.



Collaring of UK T1

The team of doctors from Wildlife Institute of India (Dehradun) Dr. Bilal Habib & Dr. Parag Nigam successfully radio collared the male tiger UKT1 in the Umred Karhandla Wildlife Sanctuary in the morning of 15/09/2015 at 9:30am along with the staff of forest department.

Mr. Meyipokym Aier (APCCF Wildlife East) and Mr. M. S. Reddy (CCF & FD Pench & Bor Tiger Reserve) under whose jurisdiction the area falls were present with the other staff members including Mr. Uttam Sawant (ACF- Bor Tiger Reserve), range forest officers of Umred and other staff members.

It may be noted the tiger had migrated from Nagzira Navegaon Tiger reserve more than two years back and had sired as many as 11 cubs from 4 females in the area. It was moving all the time covering huge distances in the sanctuary as well as in the periphery and near the villages causing a lot of threat and nervousness among the locals. It had also taken a liking for cattle that strayed into its area. The wildlife wing had sought permission from the office of Principal Chief

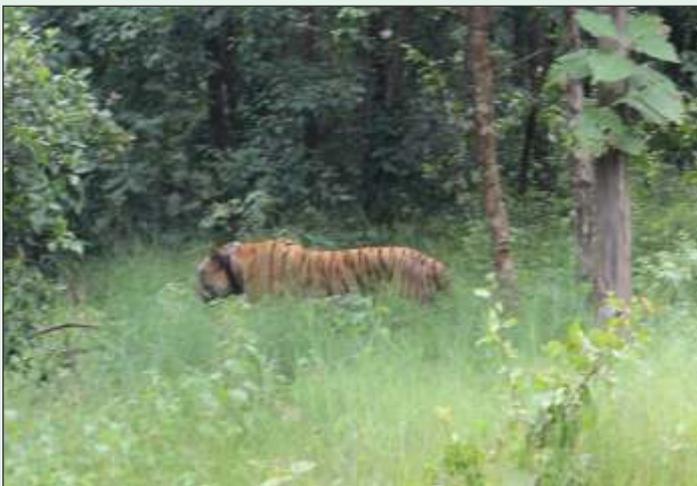
Conservator of Forests to radio collar it so that its movements could be monitored by the trained staff of the forest department and any untoward incident could be prevented in the future. The permission for radio collaring it was received



Taking the weight of UKT1

and hence the tiger which is arguably one of the biggest in the central India landscape in size was successfully radio collared in a mission that just lasted for about 30 minutes.

After the collaring the tiger soon got back to its normal senses and is moving in a normal manner and is in good health which was monitored by the veterinarians. The team of forest rangers and guards will now constantly monitor the movement and whereabouts of the tiger.



UKT1 walks into the forests after collaring

## Son of the Soil to assist in developing Bor Tiger Reserve

Noted industrialist Mr. Rahul Bajaj has shown his pleasure and interest in giving some of the CSR funds of his renowned corporate house towards development of Bor Tiger Reserve. Bor is a newly formed tiger reserve situated on the borders of Nagpur & Wardha district. It may be noted that the industrialist Mr. Bajaj has deep family roots in Wardha and he too was born in the region. Bor is under the jurisdiction of CCF & FD- Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra. In a meeting along with the collector of Wardha Mr. Ashutosh Salil and Mr. Bajaj, the CCF has proposed the construction of a Nature Interpretation centre on the outskirts of Bor Tiger Reserve for the tourists alongwith the need to have 2 open canters for safari in the reserve. Mr. Bajaj has also shown keen interest in doing water conservation work in the villages surrounding the reserve in the Wardha district. In all it is a fruitful association for both the reserve and the people of the area from a son of the soil.



Industrialist Mr. Rahul Bajaj in conversation with Mr. M. S. Reddy & Mr. Ashutosh Salil

## NTCA Top Brass visits Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra

Mr. Bishan Singh Bonal ADG (PT) & MS (NTCA) visited Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015. He was accompanied by Mr. D. G. Swain (Inspector General- Central Zone) of NTCA, Mr. Meyipokym Aier (APCCF, Wildlife East). During his visit he examined a few anti-poaching camps & protection huts. Mr. Bonal also made a visit to the tiger enclosures at Teerthalmangi and was satisfied with the monitoring activities. A demonstration of the newly procured drone was also made to him which is used for wildlife protection by the team of PTR. Later on 20<sup>th</sup> September he visited the village of Fulzari inside Pench which is in the process of being relocated. The NTCA personnel also visited the women self help group 'Pride of Pench' and was impressed by their activities.



Shri. Bishan Singh Bonal views drone display

## Boating facility for tourists in Pench from next season

In another initiative from the management of Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra 2 new pontoon boats of 8 seater each and a floating jetty has been purchased for promoting tourism in Pench. The boats will be taking tourists on the picturesque journey of the lower Pench river area which falls in the buffer region of the Pench Tiger Reserve in Maharashtra. The boats are placed towards the Kolitmara side which is on the western side of the tiger reserve and would be operational from the 16<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Each boat is equipped with mandatory life jackets for each tourist. The boats will also play a vital part in the new full day safari concept which is being planned to be initiated in the area also.



Pontoon Boat for Pench

# News from the field

## Villagers from Bor visit Nandura Budruk & Nayakheda for implementing good practices

Mr. Ravi Patil from Chandur Bazaar has developed novel techniques of stall feeding of cattle and developing of grass on agriculture lands for fodder production. On 19<sup>th</sup> September 2015, the management of Bor Tiger Reserve organized and arranged for visit of locals from villages surrounding the protected areas of these sanctuaries to see and discuss the benefits of using these techniques at the ground level at their respective villages. Around 74 villagers from 17 villages surrounding Bor Tiger Reserve availed this opportunity provided by the forest department. Later in the day the members visited JFM village Nayakheda under the Paratwada forest division and met the villagers under the guidance of Ms. Purnima Upadhyay of Khoj Sansthan. The villagers discussed projects like community biogas, utilization of proper cattle instead of stray cattle and other activities for protection of forests around the area.



Stall feeding demo at Nandura Budruk Village



Mr. Ravi Patil addressing the villagers

## Drone Training given to forest staff by experts

28 forest staffs including RFOs, ACFs, STPF, forest guards & foresters underwent a 6 day intensive training from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at Sillari, Pench to understand and operate the unmanned surveillance vehicle or drone which will be used by the management of Pench Tiger Reserve for better wildlife protection & monitoring. Team of 2 experts Mr. Prakash Mathada & Mr. Karthik Reddy from Bangalore imparted in detail the operational and technical knowhow to these enthusiastic staff. The staff also underwent a written & practical examination after the sessions based on which the trainers imparted corrective guidance to each individual. The management of Pench is planning to purchase and introduce the use of such innovative surveillance techniques in all its PAs.



Forest guards demonstrating drone operations

## STPF & forest team nabs illegal fishermen in Pench

In a joint action by Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) and team led by Mr. Atul Deokar Range forest Officer of East Pench, 3 fishermen were caught on 26/9/2015 at around 7am from compartment number 518 near Piwarthadi area of Pench Tiger Reserve in Maharashtra. These fishermen belonged to a gang of nearly 10-15 people who had entered the tiger reserve illegally to catch fish from the protected dam area of Totladoh. While some members managed to give the team the slip, the team from forest department managed to seize around 10 cycles, nets and the illegal catch of fish. The people belonged to Khursapar, Garra villages from Maharashtra and Jamun Tola village of Madhya Pradesh. The culprits were produced before the local JMFC and they were remanded to 3 days forest custody. Further investigations are on.



Nabbed fishermen in forest custody

## Poachers captured with gun in Painganga Sanctuary

A gang of 5 poachers who had entered the Painganga Wildlife Sanctuary with the intention to hunt wild animals were nabbed by team of STPF & forest staff after a long combing and search operation. It was reported through intelligence of the forest staff that a group had entered the forest taking the cover of darkness and was in lookout to poach some wild animals. Mr. Sandesh Patil (RFO Kharbi) along with 25 STPF personnel raided the hideouts and arrested 5 people along with one gun, 12 rounds of live cartridges, 3 knives and other hunting equipments. Mr. R. M. Ade (RFO), Mr. R. S. Borade (ACF) & DFO T. P. Patil executed the plan successfully.



Gang of arrested poachers in Painganga

## Damji Maraskolhe who had shot STPF guard nabbed

A team of special tiger protection force (STPF) led by Mr. Nilesh Gawande (Range Forest Officer- Nagalwadi) raided and nabbed Damji Maraskolhe on the night of 29<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at Jamalpani in Sausar taluka of Chindwada district of Madhya Pradesh. Damji Maraskolhe had shot at and grievously injured STPF guard Mr. Satish Shendre from point blank range on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014 deep inside the forest when he along with his accomplices were caught trying to poach animals in the west Pench area bordering Madhya Pradesh. 5 of his accomplices were caught last year. Damji was since on the run and was absconding while evading imminent arrest. He was sent to 5 days forest custody remand and then was transferred to police custody. A trial under section 307 of attempt to murder has already been initiated against him. The Pench forest staffs were aided by intelligence inputs from Madhya Pradesh forest department to execute this operation swiftly.



Damji Maraskolhe

# REVISED SAFARI RATES

Park Name		Pench Tiger Reserve, Nagpur						Bor Tiger Reserve		Umred-Karhandla Wildlife Sanctuary			
Entry Gate		Sillari	Kolitmara	Chor-bahuli	Khubala (Saleghat)	Khursapar	Surewani (Nagal-wadi)	Bor Dharan	Adegaon	Karhandla	Pullar	Pauni	Gothan gaon
<b>Safari Vehicle fees*</b>	Car / Jeep	440	440	110	110	440	110	440	440	110	110	110	110
	Mini Bus	880	880	220	220	880	220	880	880	220	220	220	220
<b>Entry Fee / person on Weekdays for Indian Tourists</b>	>12 yrs age	80	80	55	55	80	55	80	80	50	50	50	50
	<12 yrs age	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	25	25	25	25
<b>Entry Fee / person on Weekends for Indian Tourists</b>	>12 yrs age	90	90	60	60	90	60	90	90	55	55	55	55
	<12 yrs age	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	35	30	30	30	30
<b>Entry Fee / person on Weekdays for Foreign Tourists</b>	>12 yrs age	160	160	110	110	160	110	160	160	100	100	100	100
	<12 yrs age	160	160	110	110	160	110	160	160	100	100	100	100
<b>Entry Fee / person on Weekends for Foreign Tourists</b>	>12 yrs age	180	180	120	120	180	120	180	180	110	110	110	110
	<12 yrs age	180	180	120	120	180	120	180	180	110	110	110	110
<b>Guide fees</b>		300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
<b>No. of vehicles allowed</b>	Morning	35	7	24	8	14	7	20	5	20	5	12	12
	Evening	45	24	24	8	14	7	20	5	20	5	12	12
<b>Park Closed for tourists on</b>		Wednes-day	Wednes-day	Thurs-day	Monday	Tuesday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday	Saturday	Monday

\* Rentals for hired safari gypsies are charged separately by the gypsy owners.

**For online safari / Accommodation bookings visit website: [www.mahaecotourism.gov.in](http://www.mahaecotourism.gov.in)**

# News in Pictures



Shri. Praveen Pardeshi sir, inspecting the quality of meadows at Pench



Shri. Vikas Kharage, secretary (forest) during his visit to Pench TR.



Shri. Sarjan Bhagat, PCCF (Wildlife) during his visit to Pench TR.



Hon'ble Justice Shri. Sharad Bobade of the Supreme Court visiting "Tiger Tale" at Sillari, Pench TR.



STPF guards rendering guest of honour to Hon'ble Justice Shri. Sharad Bobade.



Visit to Nawargaon Ashram school in Bor TR, with collector of Wardha & MTDC officials.



Kabaddi competition organized by forest department for villagers of buffer zone around Pench TR.



Demonstration of battery operated energizers & low cost fencing for EDC members at Sillari.



Formation of 1st EDC in Deolapar range by ACF & RFO in Khursapar village.



Successful rescue of Chital from Gosekhurd right bank canal by forest staff of Paoni (Wildlife) & Paoni (Territorial)



Visit to community nature conservancy (CNC) at Gothangaon, UK WLS, by Shri. Bittu Sahgal.



CWLW addressing the August gathering on the occasion of International Vulture Awareness Day 2015.



Successful rescue of Sambar Deer from open well in farm lands by forest staff of Umred-Karhandla WLS.

# News in Pictures



Low cost solar fencing distributed & installed to 95 EDC members around the Bor TR.



Five days training of apiculture to 40 EDC members of surrounding villagers of UK WLS, in association with KVIC, Nagpur.



50 EDC members from villages around Painganga WLS visit Chandur Bazar for workshop on stall feeding.



World Ozone awareness day celebration with EDC villagers & Forest Staff at Sillari, Pench TR.



Health check up camp for all forest staff organized on the occasion of Wildlife Week at Division office & Pench TR.



Mr. Nandkishor Kale ACF, Pench addressing students of Delhi Public School.



Volleyball competition organized at each range to celebrate wildlife week 2015.



EDC members from Bor TR visit to Nayakheda JFM Paratwada Division.



Discussion of Eco club formation with teachers of Modern School.



First Camera Trap photos from Nagalwadi range after coming under unified control of Pench TR.



Tiger conservation plan of Pench TR, Maharashtra was approved by NTCA technical committee on 7-9-2015.



Three Cubs of BTR T1 photographed in camera trap in Bor Tiger Reserve.