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Editorial - A new beginning

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It is with immense pleasure that team Wild-CER announce the arrival of first issue of the monthly newsletter.

Wild-CER has actively involved in the conservation movement in Central India for almost two decades. We are thankful to all our supporters, donors and our conservation partners. It is because of you all that this journey has been so fruitful.

I am sure that with all your support Wild-CER will grow even larger and will bring the desired conservation output.

With current scenario, our planet is in grave danger due to tremendous anthropogenic pressure. It is indeed the need of the hour that we join hands together to make this planet a better place to live.

No single step is short and no single effort is of less value. Remember, we are not protecting the planet Earth, we are protecting ourselves.

Dr. Bahar Baviskar President, Wild-CER

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Our vision: Conservation through Education and Research

Achievements

- 2800 frontline staff trained.
- Rescued thousands of wild animals and provided veterinary support.
- 60,000 tree planted through Project Green Corridor
- Initiative 'Wildlife investigation through forensic techniques'

With a mission of conservation through education and research, Wild-CER started its journey.

Throughout our journey, we are actively involved in providing veterinary services to the wild fauna in distress in Central India.

Wild-CER have rescued and rehabilitated thousands of wild animals and birds in past which included around 17 species of mammals, 100 species of birds and 15 species of reptiles.

Being committed to the conservation, we will be starting new projects, new campaigns for which we solicit your support.

We are planning to train at least 1000 frontline staff through our initiative 'Wildlife investigation through forensic techniques... We are going to establish the Rapid Response Unit (RRU) for Central India. RRU will deal the wildlife emergencies including man-animal conflict situation, rescue and rehabilitation of the wild fauna in distress etc.

We are looking forward for preparation and implementation of the conservation action plans for the critically endangered species from Central India.

Capacity building of the frontline staff of Forest department



Figure 1 Participants of the forensic training program

Frontline staff of the forest department is the army of green warriors. Strengthening this green army will boost our conservation efforts at ground level.

Global wildlife trade is resulting in the increased poaching of the threatened species at local level throughout India.

We need to concentrate our efforts to curb this illegal wildlife trade.

Considering this as an emergency, Wild-CER started an initiative 'Wildlife investigation through forensic techniques'.

Through capacity building of the frontline staff we are achieving conservation of threatened species of central India.

So far five training programs have been organized in Central India covering two tiger reserves and seven wildlife sanctuaries.

60,000 trees planted through Project Green Corridor

Wild-CER completed the plantation of 60,000 trees along the roadside in Satara district,
Maharashtra during the lockdown due to COVID-19.

Plantation of indigenous trees like *Ficus bengalensis*, *Ficus religious*, *Ficus racemosa* and 18 other indigenous species was completed. The project was coordinated by Wild-CER PRO Head Dr. Manisha Bhosale. Wild-CER provided consultancy services to the agency involved in plantation.

We are thankful to our CSR partner Rajpath Infracon Pvt. Ltd. and Social Forestry, Maharashtra State Forest Department.



Figure 2 Plantation site at Satara district

the planet Earth, We belong to it and we must share it with our wildlife.

We don't own



Figure 3 Tiger claw (Source: Internet)

Tiger bones seized

In a joint operation conducted by Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) and Nagpur Forest Division, Maharashtra State Forest Department, 8.5 kg of bones of tigers were seized.

This seizure has exposed the links of poachers to the national and international traders.

In the last couple of months at least three cases of tiger poaching have been exposed.

This indicates the urgent

need of the protection of major species like tiger outside the protected areas like territorial division.

Source: Times of India

Wild-CER provides Veterinary support to wild fauna in distress

Being involved in rescue and rehabilitation, Wild-CER has provided veterinary care to thousands of wild animals in Central India.

Our expert veterinary team is experienced in animal handling, restraining and treatment. We provide the best post operative care and management to the rescued wild animals so that they can be rehabilitated to its natural home.

We have assisted state forest department in several rescue operations involving large carnivores like tiger, leopard. We provide veterinary care to at least 200 birds in a year. The birds are mostly affected with the nylon kite string need special surgical intervention, informed vet team of Wild-CER.



Various activities by Wild-CER



Figure 4 Forty five rangers were oriented about the rescue and rehabilitation of wild animals at Kundal Academy of Forest Department



Figure 5 Bird watching activity at Bhigwan lake with Dr. Dinesh Bhosale, Dr. Manisha Bhosale and foreign delegates



Figure 6 Dr. Donna from Boston, USA visited Wild-CER during her travel to India.

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exemption under
section 80 G of
Income Tax Act,
1961.

Wildlife Crime cell established in Van Bhavan, Nagpur

In a first, wildlife wing of the state forest department opened wildlife crime cell at Van Bhavan, in Nagpur, Maharashtra this week.

The cell will provide realtime data to officials on past and present cases in the entire state. "With centralized data in place, the cell will be able to look into backward and forward linkages and monitor all cases. Now, officials will be able to get all details about the

accused, conviction, legal status etc. Our first step will be data compilation," said Sunil Limaye, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF), Wildlife, Maharashtra

Source: Times of India



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Support us to establish Rapid Response Unit

Wild-CER is planning to extend its services by establishing well equipped Rapid Response Unit to conduct rescue operations, to deal mananimal conflict situations and other wildlife emergencies.

Our goal is to raise 20,00,000 INR (\$ 17000) for which we need your urgent generous financial help.

Donate generously to make a difference.



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About Wild-CER

Wild-CER is a registered non-profit charity addressing several conservation issues including rescue and rehabilitation of wild fauna, diseases of wildlife and Man- animal conflict & its mitigation. With a mission of conservation through education and research, Wild-CER has trained 2800 frontline staff of the forest department & 1000 veterinarians and has sensitized around 9000 citizens.

With our dedicated team, we are expanding our conservation work in several states in India.

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