



ANNUAL REPORT 2016-17



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MISSION

The Corbett Foundation consists of a group of dedicated men and women who are committed to the conservation of wildlife and nature and to fulfilling the ambition that man and nature must live together in harmony.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

India has a demographic advantage, being one of the countries with largest human capital in the world, with the population of 356 million citizens between the ages of 10 and 24. Furthermore, it has become one of the fastest growing economies in the developing world and by 2020 the average age will be 29 years. It will become the world's youngest country with 64% of its population in the working age group.

While these statistics paint a rosy picture, it will remain a great challenge to provide food, shelter, employment and basic necessities to everyone.

In and around National Parks, Reserves and biodiversity-rich natural habitats where unemployment and poverty abound, this human population explosion will pose major threats to the local communities as well as the surrounding biodiversity. I strongly believe that unemployment will become one of the major reasons why our youth is likely to become involved in wildlife-related crimes.

I strongly feel that wildlife cannot be protected by alienating the communities that share some of their wild habitats. There must be a way to maintain a peaceful co-existence between human beings and wildlife, and the active involvement of these communities as stakeholders is the only way to secure the future of our wildlife and ecosystems. With these beliefs, The Corbett Foundation as a charitable trust in 1994 was founded in 1994.

The Corbett Foundation (TCF) strives to establish harmonious co-existence between local communities and wildlife. TCF's work spreads across various tiger conservation landscapes such as the Terai Arc, Central Indian Landscape and Brahmaputra Floodplains and the semi-arid region in Kutch, Gujarat. With the prime objective to mitigate human-wildlife conflict, TCF undertakes a gamut of activities such as conservation-oriented research, human and veterinary health, sustainable livelihoods, habitat restoration, watershed development, women Self-Help groups, skill-building among local communities and environmental awareness and advocacy.

The benefits and impacts of our various programmes are longer lasting when we are able to combine our strengths and resources with various non-government organizations such as corporate bodies, multinational companies, financial and educational institutions and public sector units. We actively approach them and develop various programme models which our partners wish to achieve as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) objectives. TCF believes that conservation is a collective responsibility and our efforts to this end are more effective when we integrate ourselves into corporate ecosystems.

Twenty three years have passed since its inception, and TCF's team of Trustees, Scientists, research and non-research staff who are all passionate conservationists, have taken its name to greater heights. Today, we have field offices in various locations pan India – in and around Corbett Tiger Reserve in Uttarakhand, Bandhavgarh and Kanha Tiger Reserves in Madhya Pradesh, Kaziranga Tiger Reserve in Assam and the Greater Rann of Kutch in Gujarat.

It is with great pleasure that I present to you The Corbett Foundation's Annual Report 2016-2017. I wish to express my deep gratitude, especially to the various States Forest Departments who have extended to us their generous support, and to all the non-profit organizations, corporate companies, well-wishers and conservationists who have helped in the Foundation's programmes and activities in one way or another.

I look forward to your continued support and encouragement in the future.



Dilip D. Khatau



THE DILIP KHATAU GROUP



The Khatau Business House was among the pioneers of the textile industry in India way back in 1874 and the cement industry in 1920. Being a leader in the manufacturing of various varieties of saris, the famous voile sari was at one time synonymous with the name “Khatau”. Mr. Dilip D. Khatau ventured overseas to East Africa and South East Asia in 1964. Eventually, in the 1990s, the Dilip Khatau Group further diversified extensively in India into the production of footwear, cement, power cables, chemicals and shipping. Since 1994, the Group has concentrated on shipping, tourism and wildlife conservation.

An ardent wildlife lover since his childhood, Mr. Khatau’s passion took him to many wilderness areas such as Corbett Tiger Reserve in India. During his 15 years in Kenya, and later in the Southeast Asia, his interest in wildlife and conservation blossomed and he became an active member of the East African Wildlife Society. He was highly impressed by the way wildlife tourism had proliferated and gained popularity in Africa, while in India, this field was far behind. He dreamt of similar ventures in India where tourists could enjoy being in the wild, and local communities could benefit from the income generated through tourism. This dream he turned into a reality in 1991 with the launch of an eco-friendly wildlife resort in Corbett, initially known as Tiger Tops Corbett Lodge and now famous as Infinity Resorts Corbett.

In recognition of his vast experience in both the hospitality industry and in wildlife conservation, Mr. Khatau was invited to be on the Board of the Uttar Pradesh Tourism Development Corporation and later as a member of the National Board for Wildlife in India. Eventually, the Group expanded its operations to the unique semi-arid landscape of Kutch, Gujarat with the opening of Infinity Resorts Rann of Kutch in 2008. In October 2009, the group’s third resort, Infinity Resorts Bandhavgarh, situated along the periphery of the famous Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh, was opened. Infinity Resorts Bandhavgarh is set amidst thick bamboo groves and natural vegetation. Infinity Resorts Kanha, situated close to Kanha Tiger Reserve, was opened in April 2011. The luxurious resort boasts of huge Mahua, Terminalia and Kusum trees that attract more than 75 species of birds in the campus itself. In 2012, the Group launched its fifth luxurious wildlife resort, Infinity Resorts Kaziranga, near Kaziranga Tiger Reserve in Assam. The resort has a natural lake, a dense bamboo grove and large number of trees that attract many species of resident and migratory birds.

The Corbett Foundation, established in 1994, is the brainchild of Mr. Khatau. This Foundation is a testimony to his passion and heartfelt interest in the preservation of our natural heritage. With its mandate to preserve wildlife and nature with the involvement of the local communities, great work has been done at the grassroots-level in and around Corbett, Bandhavgarh, Kanha and Kaziranga Tiger Reserves and in Kutch.

The Foundation’s programmes are mainly focused in the areas of wildlife conservation, environmental awareness, vocational training and livelihoods, veterinary services, rural health, watershed management and sustainable eco-development. Many of TCF’s initiatives have been made possible due to unstinting support from Conservation Corporation of India Pvt. Ltd. (CCIPL) and other corporate, institutional and individual donors.

CCIPL strongly believes that conservation can only be achieved by involving local stakeholders, providing them with employment opportunities and finally aiding them adopt a sustainable lifestyle in harmony with nature.



THE CORBETT FOUNDATION



THE CORBETT FOUNDATION AT THE ANNUAL STAFF MEET
Kali Tiger Reserve, April 2016

The Corbett Foundation was established by Mr. Dilip D. Khatau, a former member of the National Board for Wildlife in India and a member of the Indian Wildlife Business Council of Confederation on Indian Industry, on April 22, 1994. TCF is a charitable trust that is fully dedicated to the conservation of wildlife. Apart from being a member of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and a member of the Global Tiger Forum, TCF is also an activity partner with the United Nations Decade on Biodiversity, The Ramsar Convention and the Born Free Foundation. TCF has been accredited by Credibility Alliance under the Desirable Norms for Voluntary Organizations in India.

TCF is the recipient of the WWF-PATA Tiger Conservation Award in 2000, TOFT-Sanctuary Wildlife Tourism Award for the best Wildlife Tourism Related Community Initiative of the Year 2014, the Kirloskar Vasundhara Mitra Award in 2015 and the Best responsible Tourism Project 2016 at the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Awards. TCF is represented on the State Wildlife Advisory Boards of Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh, the State-level Bustard Conservation Committee of Gujarat and the Local Advisory Committee of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh.

TCF works towards a harmonious coexistence between human beings and wildlife across important wildlife habitats in India, namely Corbett Tiger Reserve (Uttarakhand), Kanha Tiger Reserve (Madhya Pradesh), Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserves (Madhya Pradesh), Kaziranga Tiger Reserve (Assam), and around the Greater Rann of Kutch (Gujarat), where TCF's division in Kutch is called the Kutch Ecological Research Centre (KERC). In addition to the above areas, TCF actively works in important wildlife corridors and biodiversity-rich areas in other parts of India.

The organization has a total staff strength of around 100+ dedicated individuals including professional, administrative and support staff. TCF's team consists of passionate people from diverse disciplines and highly specialized fields such as wildlife sciences, life sciences, social sciences, veterinary sciences, geography, medical sciences, engineering, rural development, public health, education, public relations, advertising and business management. For a particular project, a team is put together with the appropriate blend of expertise.

TCF has implemented its programmes in over 400 villages in Corbett, Kutch, Kanha, Bandhavgarh and Kaziranga in the last 23 years. Local communities and wildlife share natural ecosystems and this often gives rise to conflict. The health and wellbeing of local communities is directly linked to their willingness to participate in wildlife conservation efforts towards maintaining healthy ecosystems. TCF has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to help in creating a future where wildlife and human beings live in harmony. Some of TCF's projects and initiatives are:

MITIGATING HUMAN-WILDLIFE CONFLICT

PROVIDING SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

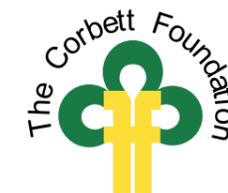
PROVIDING FOREST-DEPENDENT COMMUNITIES WITH HEALTH-CARE

PROMOTING ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

PROMOTING RENEWABLE ENERGY

TREATING DOMESTIC LIVESTOCK

PROMOTING INTEGRATED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Corbett Foundation is honoured to be working under the guidance and leadership of its Board of Trustees. The Board comprises individuals with immense experience in the nature of programmes and projects undertaken by TCF.

Mr. Dilip D. Khatau, Chairman

Chairman, Conservation Corporation of India Pvt. Ltd.
and former Member of the National Board for Wildlife, India

Mrs. Rina D. Khatau, Co-Chair

Vice Chairman, Conservation Corporation of India Pvt. Ltd.

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Former Secretary, Government of India

Dr. M. K. Ranjitsinh, IAS (Retd.)

Former Secretary, Government of India

Mr. Nirmal Ghosh

Former member of the steering Committee of Project Elephant
and US Bureau Chief of The Straits Times, Washington DC

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Former Director, Adventure Lodges Pvt. Ltd.

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Chairman, Sanghi Brothers (Indore) Pvt. Ltd.
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Dr. Divyabhanusinh Chavda

Former President, WWF-India & Member, Cat Specialist Group
Species Survival Commission, IUCN

SCIENTIFIC ADVISORS

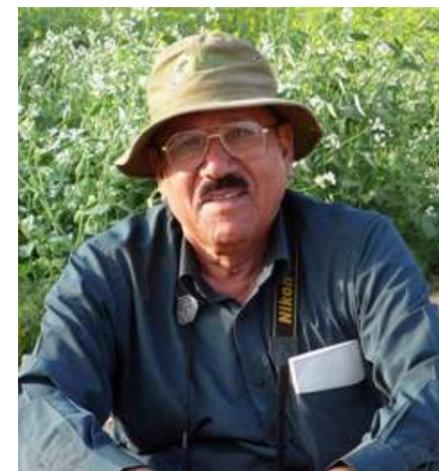
The Corbett Foundation is honoured to be associated with Dr.A.J.T. Johnsingh and Dr.Asad R. Rahmani as scientific advisors to The Corbett Foundation.

DR.A.J.T. JOHNSINGH



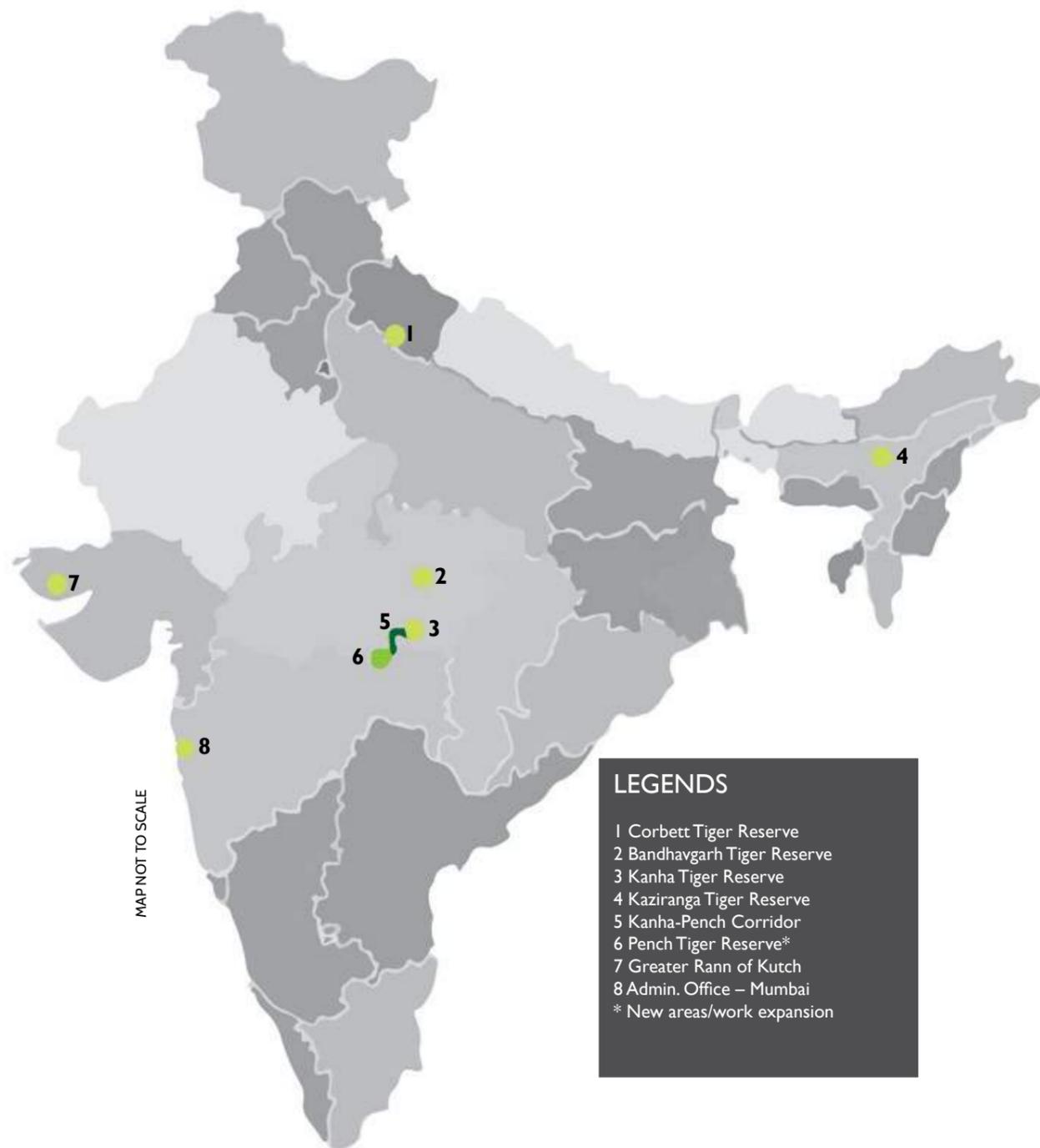
Dr. A.J.T. Johnsingh conducted the first study on a free-ranging large mammal in India by studying dholes or Asiatic wild dogs in Mudumalai-Bandipur landscape from 1973 to 1978. After working at Wildlife Institute of India as faculty from 1985 to 2005, he has been associated with Nature Conservation Foundation, Mysore and WWF-India. He has represented IUCN in its Cat, Canid, Asian elephant, Bear and Caprinae Specialist Groups and Government of India as a member of National Wildlife Board and Tiger Conservation Authority. Presently he is a member of Uttarakhand State Wildlife Board. His primary interests are mahseer, large mammal, wildlife corridor and habitat conservation. He has authored two popular books Field Days and Walking the Western Ghats and is the senior editor of The mammals of South Asia Vol I and II.

DR.ASAD R. RAHMANI



Dr. Asad R. Rahmani is the former Director of Bombay Natural History Society. His main work is on bustards, storks, globally threatened birds, wetlands and grasslands. He has written more than 160 scientific papers, 20 books, and numerous articles, editorials and book reviews. He believes that the conservation movement in India should involve local communities, and the benefits of conservation should be received by the local people as well.

WHERE WE WORK



The Corbett Foundation is a charitable trust and registered under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 1976. The donations to The Corbett Foundation are tax exempt u/s 80G of the Income Tax Act, 1961. The Corbett Foundation is accredited by Credibility Alliance under the Desirable Norms prescribed for Good Governance of Voluntary Organizations.

AWARDS



The Corbett Foundation was awarded a 'Certificate of Merit' at the World CSR Congress on World CSR Day, February 18, 2016 at Mumbai.



The Corbett Foundation is the recipient of the TOFT-Sanctuary Wildlife Tourism Award for the best Wildlife Tourism Related Community Initiative of the Year 2014.



The Corbett Foundation was awarded the Vasundhara Mitra Award 2015 at the Kirloskar Vasundhara International Film Festival - KVIFF on 23rd January 2015 at Pune. A TCF creation titled 'Abdasa: A Paradise Neglected' was among the inaugural films screened at the film festival.



The Corbett Foundation was awarded the Best Responsible Tourism Project at the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Awards 2016 in October 2016 for the Tribal Museum initiative.



The Corbett Foundation has been accredited by Credibility Alliance under the Desirable Norms for Voluntary Organizations in India.

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Conserving Wild Species & Habitat

TCF is dedicated to the protection of wild species and their habitats. It works in prime tiger habitat – Corbett Tiger Reserve and neighbouring forest divisions in the Terai Arc landscape, Kanha Tiger Reserve and Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve in the Central Indian Landscape, including in the Kanha-Pench Corridor and Bandhavgarh-Sanjay-Dubri Corridor, and Kaziranga Tiger Reserve in the Brahmaputra Floodplains. TCF has also been instrumental in the conservation of some of the last remaining Great Indian Bustard habitats in Kutch, Gujarat. TCF's ground-level staff is always at the forefront to address issues pertaining to wildlife conservation, and also provides assistance to the Forest Department in several projects.

Besides helping to conserve India's flagship species, TCF works towards the conservation of critical habitat at the landscape-level and creates awareness about their ecological importance.

Among TCF's various initiatives this year are the participation in elephant and vulture census, survey studies on imminent threats to avifauna in the Great Indian Bustard habitat, studies on the distribution and movement of wild felids in buffer zones of tiger reserves, biodiversity studies in scrub forests in Saurashtra and in Kutch, in addition to activities such as the waterfowl census undertaken annually.

Through its effective initiatives to reduce human-wildlife conflict, rescues and rehabilitations, on-ground scientific research, and collaborations with local, national and international partners, TCF works towards a future where humans and nature live in harmony.

***WWF-India, TOFTigers, Kirloskar Group
and Big Cat Rescue support TCF's wildlife
conservation initiatives***

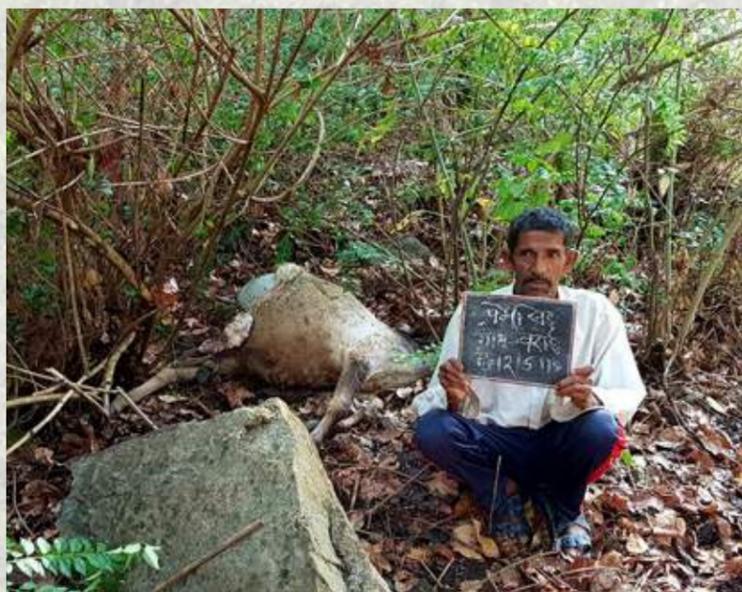


CONFLICT MITIGATION

Interim Relief Scheme

The Interim Relief Scheme (IRS) is a human-wildlife conflict mitigation initiative TCF has been conducting since 1995 to provide ex-gratia compensation to villagers whose livestock have been killed by a tiger or leopard in and around Corbett Tiger Reserve (CTR). WWF - India has been a partner with TCF on the IRS programme since 1997. Since June 2016, this alliance has been extended to Kanha Tiger Reserve as well.

896 cattle depredation cases were investigated and an amount of ₹ 13,31,631 was disbursed as compensation during 2016-17



BACKGROUND

Corbett Tiger Reserve and adjoining forest divisions in Uttarakhand are important conservation units in the Terai Arc landscape. Around 250 villages are located in and around the buffer zone of these forests. Here, livestock depredation by tigers and leopards, and crop damage by wild herbivores like Spotted deer, Sambar, Wild boar, Nilgai and elephants are a major cause of human-wildlife conflict. Additionally, procedural delays in the Forest Department's existing compensation policy dissuade the locals from claiming compensation for the loss of their livelihood assets. Out of deep-seated resentment towards the Forest Department and wildlife, locals have often resorted to revenge-killing of the responsible carnivore by poisoning the carcass it returns to.

To alleviate this animosity and to prevent wildlife deaths from revenge-killing, TCF began the 'Cattle Compensation Scheme' in 1995, which was eventually renamed 'Interim Relief Scheme'. The scheme has been made known to all the villages around CTR, and cattle-kill reporting has been nearly 100%. TCF promptly responds to incident reports, examining the case and providing immediate monetary assistance or medical treatment as the case may be. IRS has been instrumental in reducing the antagonism of the locals.

Aiding victims of Human-wildlife conflict



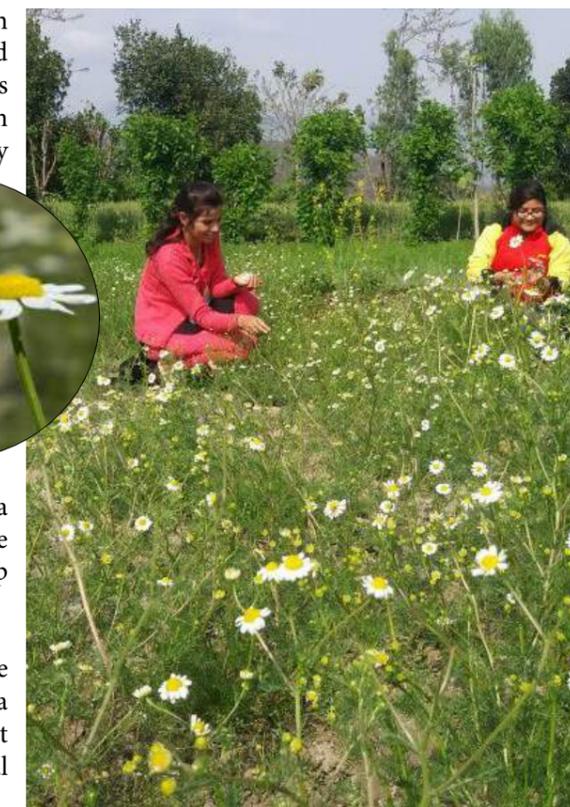
Human encounters with large carnivores like tigers and leopards are often fatal for the human victim. One such incident befell a household in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, where a woman resident lost her husband to a tiger attack in 2015. Such fatalities are not only an invaluable loss to the grieving kin of the victim but also severely cripple the financial capabilities of the surviving family members, who struggle to eke out a living in the absence of the sole breadwinner of the family.

TCF has aided this woman resident in Bandhavgarh by donating a cow to her, aiming to address the issue of human-wildlife conflict and to provide her with an potential source of livelihood through dairy activities.

Combating crop-raiding with Chamomile

The village of Mankanthpur in the Corbett Landscape has been severely affected by crop damage for the past several years; wild herbivores – deer species like Sambar and Chital and ungulates like wild boars – enter agricultural fields, trampling, grazing on and ultimately destroying the crop. This village shares a boundary with Pawalgarh Conservation Reserve, making the incidence of human-wildlife conflict here even higher. As an experimental measure to mitigate crop-raiding by wild herbivores, TCF replaced the traditional crop in 0.2 ha. of land and cultivated Chamomile (*Matricaria chamomilla* L.) instead. This aromatic plant is unpalatable to herbivores and has a higher commercial value due to its popular use as an essential oil and as an herbal infusion in Chamomile tea. This measure has been successful in warding off herbivores, evidenced by camera trap footage capturing a herd of deer approaching the field in the hope of grazing, but turning away soon after, leaving the crop untouched.

Additionally, 1620 saplings of *Cinnamomum tamala* were distributed to remote villages Amotha and Amtoli on Harela - a Kumaoni festival celebrating plantation of saplings and the onset of the monsoons, to mitigate such conflict and as an additional source of livelihood through the sale of such aromatic plants.





conflict mitigation using SOLAR ELECTRIFICATION

At dusk, human communities in and around protected areas in villages that do not receive electricity are especially vulnerable to chance encounters with wild carnivores, and crops are vulnerable to damage by wild herbivores. Conservation efforts through patrolling is also a tough task for park managers and concerned stakeholders.

To make mobility during night hours a safer prospect for patrolling field staff and for villagers, TCF has installed five solar streetlights in previously identified locations in the Corbett Landscape. The lights will help illuminate the villages of Sonjala, Ranikota, Teda, Parewa and Chandpur.

TCF has also distributed six solar home-lights to select beneficiaries on a pilot scale, to test the efficiency of the lights' flash-mode in warding off wildlife venturing near crop fields and human settlements.



Sustainable substitute for 'soola' at Corbett Tiger Reserve

The rural community around Corbett Tiger Reserve traditionally dries out wheat and rice straw or grass over the year to use as fodder for their cattle. To prevent decay from moisture, they store the grass to dry by heaping it into a 'hump' centered on a wooden pole called *soola* or *loota*. An entire tree is cut down to make one such wooden pole. To replace the old poles that deteriorate due to moisture and termites, many trees are periodically felled.

To reduce this tree dependence, TCF has, on a pilot scale, replaced some of these wooden poles with iron ones, owing to their durability and sustainability. 23 residents from four villages in Pauri district viz. Hairagwaar, Banja Devi, Kalinko and Rathuadhab in CTR's North Zone were provided with 46 iron poles to replace the wooden ones traditionally being used.

SOOLA MADE FROM WOODEN POLES



SOOLA MADE FROM IRON POLES



Human-Elephant Programme (HELP)



Each year, villagers in Kaziranga suffer crop losses as high as 40% due to crop damage, largely by wild elephants as well as by smaller animals like Wild boars, giving rise to human-elephant conflict that endangers the life of villagers as well as elephants. To prevent and mitigate this conflict, TCF initiated a Human-Elephant Programme (HELP) in villages Dumjan, Bezgaon, Tinsukee, Sildubi (Geleki) bordering Kaziranga Tiger Reserve. HELP comprises two crop-protection interventions – solar fencing of crop fields and setting up of lookout-points or *tongis* occupied each night by five villagers. Solar fencing 9 km long has been installed at village Silghat and 4 km long at village Rangaloo, both on the outskirts of Kaziranga Tiger Reserve to protect crop fields here, while 33 *tongis* and 33 rechargeable torchlights have been provided to families that own crop fields along the outskirts of Kaziranga Tiger Reserve. The interventions have thus far yielded 100% crop protection with no injury to wild elephants. The local village *panchayat* volunteered labour as well as cement and bamboo posts, creating a sense of ownership of this initiative. After the harvest season, the fencing is removed and stored by the villagers so that elephant movement remains unaffected.



WILDLIFE & CONSERVATION RESEARCH



Biodiversity survey & lesser carnivore study

Since 2015, with the support of the Rajkot Forest Division, Gujarat Forest Department, Kutch Ecological Research Centre (KERC), TCF's division at Kutch has been studying the biodiversity of Rampara Wildlife Sanctuary in Saurashtra. Camera traps captured images of wolves, porcupines, hares and gerbils during the study. Through the course of this study, 26 species of mammals, 179 species of birds, 27 reptilian and amphibian species and 174 insect species were recorded in the sanctuary. The study revealed information about the population and movement of important lesser carnivore species in the sanctuary. This study also laid emphasis on the insect biodiversity in this area, making this a pioneering work in this context, since no checklist on insects here was prepared prior to this.

TCF is also conducting a survey of lesser carnivores in the human-dominated landscape in Abdasa taluka, Kutch, Gujarat. The assessment was conducted over an area of 800 sq. km divided into grids to study the presence or absence of lesser carnivores, viz. Indian wolf, Striped hyena, Indian jackal, Indian fox, Caracal or Desert lynx, Jungle cat and Desert cat.



Biodiversity Assessment at Ramnagar Forest Division

The Corbett Foundation has been carrying out an assessment of the biodiversity of Ramnagar Forest Division (FD). Sampling of mammals, birds and plants in the area is being carried out using camera traps, McKinnon's Species Richness method and plot method respectively.

Sampling of herpetofauna is being carried out using the Visual Encounter Method, by laying kilometer-long transects across various habitat in Ramnagar Forest Division. Till date since December, data on birds has been collected from 30 locations, each sampled thrice. Mammals are being monitored by installing camera traps at 80 sites for a period of 15 days. 300 plots with a 10 m radius have been sampled for plants. The habitat in Ramnagar FD has been highlighted using remote sensing and GIS techniques.

WATERFOWL CENSUS

Haripura - Tumaria - Baur

TCF has been conducting an annual census of waterfowl species at the Haripura, Tumaria and Baur reservoirs around Corbett Tiger Reserve each winter for the last 13 years. This year, TCF recorded 57 species of migratory and wetland dependent birds, monitoring them right from their arrival to their departure, using the total count method.



- Bar-headed goose
- Red-crested pochard
- Common Coot
- Mallard duck
- Northern pintail
- Common Teal
- Great crested grebe
- Common pochard
- Tufted duck
- Gadwall

Impact study of windmills and power lines on avifauna in Kutch

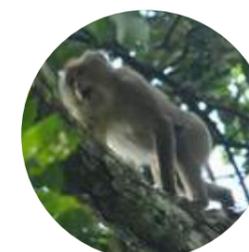


Migratory and resident populations of avifauna in the coastal region of Kutch, a primary hub for bird movement, are threatened by collision with the numerous and increasing number of wind-farm establishments and high transmission power lines in the area. The varied avifaunal species in these areas are in danger of death due to collisions with windmills and electrocution due to contact with power lines because of low visibility during flight and non-availability of natural perches. The risk of bird mortality increases where natural vegetation is scarce and where birds congregate, such as in flight corridors or at watering holes. TCF has therefore begun a study to determine the impact of these structures on avifauna. The study, being conducted in Jakhau, Kutch, covers approximately 60 sq. km where there are 63 windmills and a 6 km long power line,

with surveys being conducted twice a week. It is expected that the study will reveal the species and number of birds affected by windmills and power lines in this area.

Primate census at Hollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary

The Corbett Foundation jointly with Cotton College State University, Guwahati and in collaboration with the Jorhat Division of the Assam Forest Department carried out an intensive twelve-day Primate census at Hollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary, Assam in Northeast India. The five survey teams attended an intensive training programme prior to the commencement of field activities. The survey recorded data pertaining to the demographic characteristics of diurnal primate species here such as the Stump-tailed macaque, Pig-tailed macaque, Rhesus macaque, Capped langur and Hoolock gibbon. All five diurnal primates except Assamese Macaque were recorded during the survey. The results of the survey indicated a healthy population of other primate species but a 30% decrease in the Hoolock Gibbon population in the last eight years. The population of the Stump-tailed macaque showed a two-fold increase since the last census conducted in 2008. This primate habitat faces intense anthropogenic pressure due to the intense firewood dependence of local communities. The various threats and possible measures to counter these challenges were shared and discussed with the Assam forest department.



CONSERVATION INTERVENTIONS

Wildlife Rescues & Rehabilitation

TCF, with its dedicated team of wildlife experts, veterinarians and volunteers, works round the clock to assist the concerned Forest Department officials in rescuing, rehabilitating and providing timely care to injured wildlife or animals that have strayed into human settlements. Rescued animals are treated or examined thoroughly before they are released back into the wilderness, as far away from human habitation as possible.

Each year, TCF rescues a myriad animals, including various species of reptiles, birds, and mammals like deer, bats, a pangolin and once, even the elusive Caracal!



Wildlife Rescues 2016-17

Yellow footed green pigeon	5	Monocled cobra	24	Long billed vulture	1
Blue throated barbet	2	Rat snake	26	Black crowned night heron	1
White-breasted waterhen	2	Hog deer	68	Fruit bat	1
Thick billed green pigeon	2	Copper-headed trinket snake	24	Ashley wood swallow	1
Lesser adjutant stork	2	Checkered keelback	6	Skink	1
Rose-ringed parakeet	1	Rhesus macaque	6	Pied kingfisher	1
Indian softshell turtle	1	Himalayan griffon	2	White-breasted kingfisher	4
Adjutant stork	1	Common wolf snake	5	Eastern swamp deer	1
Jackal cub	8	Spotted dove	6	Swamp francolin	1
Oriental pied hornbill	1	Lesser black krait	4	Common Indian monitor lizard	1
Civet cat	1	Burmese python	22	Wooly-necked stork	2
Leopard cub	1	Bengal monitor lizard	2	Pond heron	1
Changeable hawk eagle	1	Banded krait	22	Coppersmith barbet	1
Indian peacock	1	Green cat snake	4	Tokay gecko	1
Stone chat	1	Common myna	3	King cobra	1
Black crown night heron	1	Barn owl	3	Cinnamon bittern	5
Asian koel	3	Ornate flying snake	3	Rainbow mud snake	1
Barking deer	1	Red necked keelback	8	Cattle egret	1
Rufous treepie	1	Imperial green pigeon	1		



Village Wildlife Guardians

In July 2016, TCF and TOFTigers with the support of Steppes Travel and The Tribes Foundation selected six individuals from the Garhi, Samnapur and Khapa ranges of Kanha Tiger Reserve, appointing them as Village Wildlife Guardians (VWGs).

The VWGs attended a week-long training session on the importance of conserving wildlife and its natural habitat with special emphasis on tiger conservation, wildlife and forest-related offenses and the legalities involved, and various man-made contraptions to trap and capture wildlife such as snares. Following this instruction, the VWGs have been working closely with the Forest Department and TCF to monitor the human goings-on in the vicinity of the reserve, regularly patrolling the forested areas, keeping alert for and reporting suspicious activity that undermines conservation efforts in Kanha. The VWGs have been monitoring six weekly markets in Kanha, studying the trend of the sale and availability of timber and Non-Timber Forest Products like flowers, fruits, medicinal herbs, leaves, as well as fish, birds and illegal meat. Till date they have informed the authorities about several cases of wood felling, Lac collection and about snares laid by locals to trap wildlife.



In December, TCF provided training in camera-trapping to all the VWGs, teaching them to operate camera-traps as useful data collection tools and how to install them at strategic locations. They were also trained to identify forest trails and to set up cameras on these trails. TCF distributed one camera trap to each of the six VWGs for more efficient documentation of activities. Photographs of bamboo collection from the forest were captured in some cameras. The camera also captured Spotted deer, some Wild boar and a leopard at livestock kill.

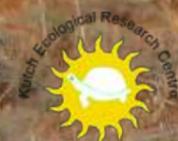


GREAT INDIAN BUSTARD

Conservation efforts to save the critically endangered



Kutch district in Gujarat is home to the second largest population of *Ardeotis nigriceps* or the Great Indian Bustard (GIB). Their population has, however, dwindled to the brink of extinction, owing largely to habitat loss, rapid change in the crop pattern, excessive use of pesticides in agriculture, infrastructure development in bustard habitat, predation by free ranging dogs, rapid increase in the network of power lines and windmills, over-grazing, low genetic diversity and low reproduction rate of the species. Much of the GIB habitat outside of the 2 sq km protected area of the Kutch Bustard Sanctuary has been lost due to anthropogenic exploitation. TCF is a Member of the Bustard Conservation Committee and a Member of the State Wildlife Advisory Board of Gujarat and has played a pivotal role in the development of a State Level Bustard Recovery Plan. The Species Recovery Plan of the Great Indian Bustard, a collaborative effort by the Kutch Ecological Research Centre and the Gujarat Forest Department is being followed for the management of GIB landscape. About 20 sq km of area is now being restored and managed as per the guidelines suggested in the recovery plan. The vast landscape that the GIB needs as habitat in accordance with seasonal changes and the various stages in its life cycle cannot be conserved without involving local communities. Therefore, TCF runs medical and cattle care services in around 30 villages within the GIB habitat daily. In 2016, TCF also introduced skills training programmes in collaboration with the Gujarat Forest Department, Kutch West Division for the villagers living within the Bustard's distribution range. In over three months, more than 20 beneficiaries have completed training in motor driving and computer training. TCF consistently communicates with administrative and Government authorities in Gujarat to garner support and draw attention to GIB conservation-friendly measures. TCF's GIB Conservation efforts are supported by the **Kirloskar Group**.



Fencing Open Dug-wells



The Government of India has provided farmers living on the edge of tiger reserves with dug-wells as a source of irrigation for agriculture. There are over 1000 such wells across the buffer zone of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve. Without a parapet or protective railing, these open dug-wells are a death-trap for wildlife traversing these paths in the dark. Wild animals have frequently fallen into these open wells after dusk, dying due to drowning or sustaining severe, often fatal injuries. The Corbett Foundation aims to mitigate this threat to Bandhavgarh's wildlife by fencing these open dug-wells. With support from **Big Cat Rescue**, TCF has fenced 56 open wells this year along Bandhavgarh's core zone. In totality, TCF has fenced 256 open dug-wells since 2015. GPS positions of the wells have been recorded, and the project reached completion in June 2017.

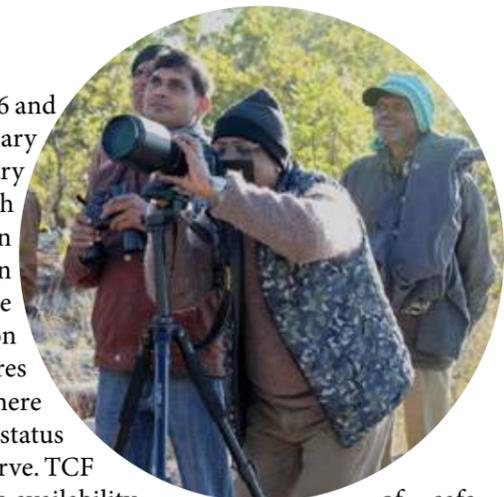
Animal birth-control and anti-rabies vaccination



Kutch Ecological Research Centre (KERC), a division of TCF at Kutch and the Kutch (WEST) Forest Division implemented an Animal Birth Control & Anti-Rabies Vaccination Programme as a joint initiative in the Kutch district to protect the local communities from rabies and the Great Indian Bustard from stray dogs. It was initiated on 27th November, 2016 to foster the spaying and neutering of stray dogs in GIB habitat, in order to reduce their population and the grave threat they pose to the GIB. The intense two-week program included the capture of stray dogs followed by post-surgical care and release. During this programme more than 200 dogs from 14 villages were spayed/ neutered.

Vulture conservation

India's once thriving population of vultures was nearly wiped out between 1996 and 2007 due to the use of the Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory (NSAID) veterinary drug diclofenac sodium. Commonly used in rural areas in the veterinary treatment of cattle, vultures that consumed such cattle carcasses would perish from diclofenac poisoning. At present, veterinary use of diclofenac has been banned by the Government of India and is illegal, but the use of human doses of diclofenac in livestock treatment persists in many places, being the comparatively cheaper alternative. TCF works towards vulture conservation through scientific research as well as community-based conservation measures and awareness campaigns for Livestock Inspectors (LIs) and rural residents where TCF works, and where there are vultures and cattle. TCF has published a status report on vulture nesting, breeding and population in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve. TCF creates awareness about the dangers of diclofenac to vulture species, and the availability of safe alternative drug meloxicam, promoting the use of meloxicam among local paravets. In May 2016 on invitation by the Forest Department, Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, TCF conducted a one-day orientation programme including a field exercise demonstrating data recording, for field-staff who would participate in the vulture census the following day. TCF was also a participant in the census held on May 14, with TCF team members supervising the different teams constituted by the Forest Department



Since October 2015, TCF has been a SAVE (Save Asia's Vulture from Extinction) Associate - a consortium of reputed organizations such as RSPB, BNHS, WCS, WWF working on the issue of vulture conservation in Asia.

WILDLIFE AWARENESS

Education & Awareness Programmes

TCF is committed to molding impressionable young minds into the torchbearers of the conservation movement in India. In inculcating wildlife conservation-friendly values, TCF conducts a gamut of activities throughout the year including quizzes, art and craft competitions, skits, celebration of global environment days, nature trails, movie and documentary screening and such fun-filled educational activities for children, youth and teachers in local communities.

Collaborations

TCF has been collaborating with other wildlife and conservation organizations such as Born Free Foundation, Sanctuary Asia, WWF-India, The Rufford Foundation, the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS), Saving Asia's Vultures from Extinction (SAVE), and many others to collectively work towards safeguarding India's depleting wildlife.

Print Media

TCF has regularly contributed conservation-themed articles, opinion pieces and short stories to local and national dailies like the Hindustan Times, The Hitvada and Twinkle Star Magazine.

Publications

TCF has published scientific research reports, educational posters, handy books, coffee-table books and environment and conservation related resource materials.

**Earthwatch Institute India, Kirloskar Group
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wildlife awareness initiatives**



INITIATIVES

FIELD TRIPS IN KUTCH



TCF conducted field visits for young students in Kutch to Naliya grassland and to wetlands and birding areas such as Jakhau salt pans, regularly and to celebrate environmental days like World Wetlands Day. One such visit was organized for 20 students and 5 teachers from Ascend International School, Mumbai through the Somaiya Center for Experiential Learning, aiming to reconnect urban-dwelling kids with the natural world through birding and nature trails. Students were given souvenirs - GIB board games, pocket notepad and awareness stickers.

CONSERVATION GURUS



TCF Kaziranga conducted a gathering of teachers from various local schools to discuss how nature education could be better incorporated into formal as well as informal education so that students develop a conservation and nature sensitive outlook early on. Biodiversity videos were screened, and outdoor games to encourage students to engage better with nature were structured. This programme aims to widen TCF's conservation education outreach.

NATURE EDUCATION CAMPS



TCF Kaziranga collaborated with Kaziranga National Park Authority to conduct a 'Nature Education Safari' - free jeep safaris for select, underprivileged students from two colleges and 13 schools in the area, so they could experience and appreciate wildlife and nature on an actual safari. Students, teachers, nature guides, TCF staff and a journalist took the safari. Participants were given a notebook and pen to list wildlife sightings. TCF Kanha also organized a three-day Nature Education Camp for rural students between standards eight and twelve.

PLANTATION DRIVES



TCF distributed 1620 saplings of cinnamon to the local community to be planted around their homes, fields and schools as part of the Kumaoni Harela festivities in Uttarakhand, celebrating the monsoons and new harvest. 50 saplings of fodder species were distributed to villagers in Corbett on Jim Corbett's 141st birthday. KERC and schools students planted 110 saplings of varieties like Salvadora and Azadirachta in their school campus while 40 native-plant saplings were donated to the Air Force Wives Welfare Association. During World Wildlife Week in October 2016, TCF Kaziranga distributed 60 saplings to students on a wildlife safari organized in collaboration with Kaziranga National Park.

GIB AWARENESS - BOARD GAMES & NOTEPADS

KERC's campaign 'Save the GIB' aims to raise awareness especially among children and youth about the importance of the critically endangered GIB, its habitat in Kutch, threats to its scant population and conservation measures to save it from extinction. The campaign has had a wide outreach, with around 3000 students participating in discussions, presentations, screening of documentaries and the GIB video created by TCF with the GIB song "Ghorad kare chhe yad". 'GIB my Friend' board games and pocket notebooks are distributed to each student at every awareness programme.



VULTURE SENTINELS

The Corbett Foundation initiated a vulture conservation project in villages in Demoh in Sivsagar, Assam. Protecting nest-bearing trees contributes greatly to conserving the critically endangered vulture species. On International Vulture Awareness Day, as a community-based conservation approach, TCF identified seven villagers who pledged to protect vulture nest-bearing trees in their farms and premises, and presented each with a certificate of appreciation and a bicycle, honouring them as 'Vulture Sentinels'.



CONSERVATION WORKSHOP FOR THE MEDIA

TCF organized a workshop at Kaziranga on the role of media in the conservation of wildlife and forests, attended by representatives of both print and electronic media in Kaziranga. The workshop is especially significant at a time when media has a considerable impact on the general public's perception of wildlife and conservation issues. The workshop touched upon the need for sensitivity, discretion and unprejudiced and accurate reporting using facts obtained through thorough research.



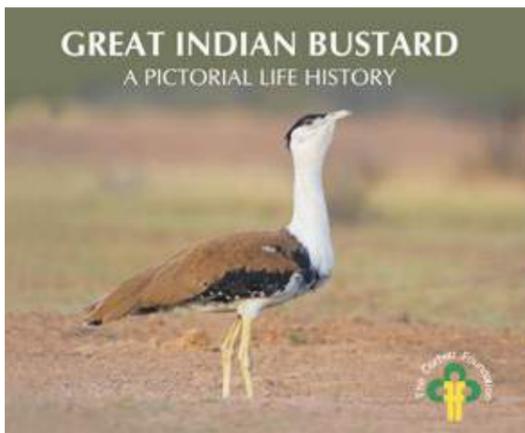
SNAKE AWARENESS

An inherent fear of snakes and higher incidences of human-snake conflict during monsoon is a threat to both people and snakes. Therefore TCF conducted awareness programmes across its divisions about the ecological importance of snakes, prevention of and treatment in case of snakebite throughout the year and on World Snake Day in July 2016. TCF Corbett conducted a workshop with a tribal settlement on snake identification, while TCF Bandhavgarh and Kanha conducted snake awareness for school students using presentations and TCF's posters on snakes.



PUBLICATIONS

Coffee-table book on the GREAT INDIAN BUSTARD



In September 2016, The Corbett Foundation released its publication and the first ever coffee-table book titled 'Great Indian Bustard – A Pictorial Life History', authored by renowned ornithologist Dr. Asad Rahmani and co-authored by Mr. Devesh Gadhvi and Mr. Kedar Gore. The book chronicles the life history of this critically endangered Indian bird species through a host of captivating images accompanied by text, offering rare insight into this species of which less than 250 remain. This book was released by Ms. Aban Marker Kabraji, Regional Director, IUCN Asia at the IUCN World Conservation Congress at Hawaii, USA. This coffee-table book is available on the eshop at www.corbettfoundation.org/shop.php. The proceeds from the sale of these books will go towards GIB conservation in Kutch.

A field-guide to INSECTS & SPIDERS OF KANHA TIGER RESERVE



A field guide covering 600 species of insects and spiders of Kanha Tiger Reserve was launched at the Madhya Pradesh Tiger Foundation Society in Bhopal by Mr. Jitendra Agrawal, IFS, the PCCF (Wildlife) of Madhya Pradesh Forest Department, in presence of Mr. R P Singh, IFS, Additional PCCF (Wildlife), Mr. Rajnish Singh, ACF and Mr. J S Chauhan, IFS. The book, authored by Mr. Aniruddha Dhamorikar with a foreword written by Mr. J S Chauhan, IFS, former Field Director of Kanha, contains pictures of insects and spiders commonly found in Kanha Tiger Reserve along with pictorial keys to over 40 insect

groups commonly found all around us. This book is a result of three years of fieldwork by the author, with the support of The Corbett Foundation, which resulted in the documentation of records of a trap-door spider, a net-casting spider, and a few species of dragonflies, lacewings, and beetles for the first time from Madhya Pradesh. It also focuses on their density and diversity, how they form their own communities and what role they play in Kanha's ecosystem, along with a 'fun facts' section on insects and spiders and their special characters. It was published by Resurrect Books (Delhi).

'A Field Guide to Insect & Spiders of Kanha Tiger Reserve' is available for sale on TCF's eshop at www.corbettfoundation.org/shop.php

CONFERENCES

IUCN World Conservation Conference, Hawaii (USA)



TCF attended the IUCN World Conservation Congress at Hawaii (United States of America) from September 4th to 10th, 2016. TCF was among a host of nationally and internationally renowned conservation organizations to be invited to attend this event. TCF along with Wildlife Institute of India and IUCN India Country Office as session partners, organized a Knowledge Café Session titled, "An Action Plan to Protect the Bustard Species of India", discussing the need of and strategies to protect the three resident bustard species in India - Great Indian Bustard, Lesser Florican and Bengal Florican - as regards their conservation in India and in neighbouring countries where these species occur. The highlight of this session was the release of TCF's the coffee-table book titled 'Great Indian Bustard - A Pictorial Life History', a copy which TCF presented to Mr Zhang Xincheng, IUCN President. TCF also presented a poster on its Sustainable Livelihood Programme titled "Community empowerment and conservation through sustainable livelihoods: A success story from India"

3rd Asia Ministerial Conference on Tiger Conservation



TCF attended the 3rd Asia Ministerial Conference on Tiger Conservation held at New Delhi from April 12 to 14, 2016. National and international delegates from tiger range countries came together at this conference to review and endorse the national and global priorities relating to the Global Tiger Recovery Programme (GTRP) for the next implementation phase. TCF was among a consortium of national and international NGOs who are committed to and urge authorities to commit to a 'zero demand' approach to the illegal international trade in tiger parts and derivatives. TCF sponsored caps featuring the conference logo, as well as pen-drives.

Central Indian Landscape Symposium

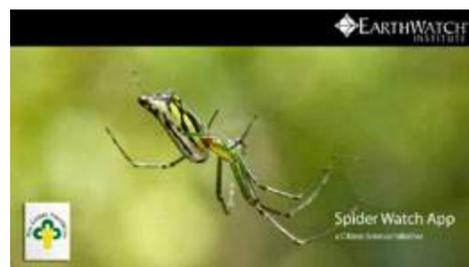


TCF participated in the Central Indian Landscape Symposium (CILS) at Pench Tiger Reserve from December 14th to 17th 2016. The theme for this, the second of the bi-annual symposia, was "Reconciling Development, Livelihoods and Conservation Goals." Organized by the group 'Conserving the Landscapes of the Central Indian Highlands', participants with research expertise in varied environment-related disciplines come together to explore and contribute their work for the scientific management and conservation of the Central Indian Highlands. TCF presented a poster titled "Determinants of immunization uptake and the importance infectious diseases in cattle and buffaloes surrounding the Kanha and Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserves, Madhya Pradesh, India".

HIGHLIGHTS

SpiderWatch app

The Corbett Foundation and **Earthwatch Institute India** collaborated to release, on Independence Day, the all-new Spider Watch App - a mobile app to help identify 50 species of spiders that are found in India. The app is a 'Citizen Science' initiative, available for download on android smartphones at the following link:
<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.earthwatchindia.spiders>



TCF recognized for conservation efforts

KERC received an award for its efforts towards the conservation of the Great Indian Bustard and other wildlife, at the National Conference on Wildlife of Kutch, organized by Kutch-based NGO Environment Development Trust. Mr. Tarachand Chheda, MLA (Member of Legislative Assembly) of Mandvi Taluka presented the award. TCF Corbett was also awarded for its contribution to wildlife conservation, human-wildlife conflict mitigation and rural medical outreach programme. Presenting this award at the Ramnagar Corbett Mahotsav 2016 was Shri Ranjeet Rawat, Industrial Advisor to Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttarakhand.



Prakriti Mitra Award to Local School

TCF Kaziranga presented Sankardev Shishu Niketan school in Kohora, Kaziranga with the Kaziranga Prakriti Mitra Award, 2017 for being one of the best schools for promoting conservation awareness among its students. The school, the first recipient of this award, was presented with a citation, a bookshelf and a couple of books related to the environment and wildlife at a simple function held on the school premises. Chairman of TCF Mr. Dilip Khatau motivated the students to do their best for the conservation of nature and wildlife.



CELEBRATIONS AND ART

TCF celebrates international environmental days with local communities and students by tapping creative potential and conducting drawing, skit, essay, poster, quiz and painting competitions, taking out rallies and through presentations and interactive subject-specific sessions. TCF Kaziranga began the 'Saluting Sentinels' campaign, under which students from traditional schools, art schools, music schools and freelance community members showed their appreciation of forest guards and field staff protecting Kaziranga from threats to wildlife and habitat by presenting them with hand-made greeting cards. The cards contained greetings, sketches, slogans and messages thanking Kaziranga's 'sentinels' for all that they do.



- INTERNATIONAL VULTURE AWARENESS DAY
- WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY
- WORLD FORESTRY DAY
- BIG BIRD DAY
- WORLD WATER DAY
- WORLD SPARROW DAY
- GLOBAL TIGER DAY
- WORLD MIGRATORY BIRDS DAY
- JIM CORBETT'S 140TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY
- INTERNATIONAL BIODIVERSITY DAY
- MOWGLI FESTIVAL
- WORLD WILDLIFE WEEK
- NATIONAL BIRDWATCHING DAY
- HARELA FESTIVAL
- WORLD RHINO DAY
- WORLD ELEPHANT DAY
- WORLD WETLANDS DAY
- WORLD SNAKE DAY
- WORLD WATER DAY

RMOP

Rural Medical Outreach Programme

TCF believes that only a healthy community can contribute to a healthy environment. Modern medical treatment is often not easily available to communities in remote locations and TCF is working to bring about a change. Under the RMOP, Regular health camps are conducted under this programme in over 350 villages in and around Corbett, Bandhavgarh, Kanha Tiger Reserves and in Kutch.

TCF has Outpatient Departments (OPD) across all its centres where locals receive primary health treatment. Five Mobile Medical Units are dedicated to reach out to remote settlements on a weekly basis to treat local communities as well. TCF has also been instrumental in spreading awareness about health and hygiene in these areas.

Providing primary healthcare to these rural communities has built a healthy rapport and established an open channel of communication between TCF and the communities. RMOP has also made a marked positive difference in the community's perception of the concerned forest departments. This improved communication and attention to a basic community need has encouraged the participation and much needed support of the local populace in conservation, thereby considerably widening the scope of TCF's outreach and conservation initiatives.

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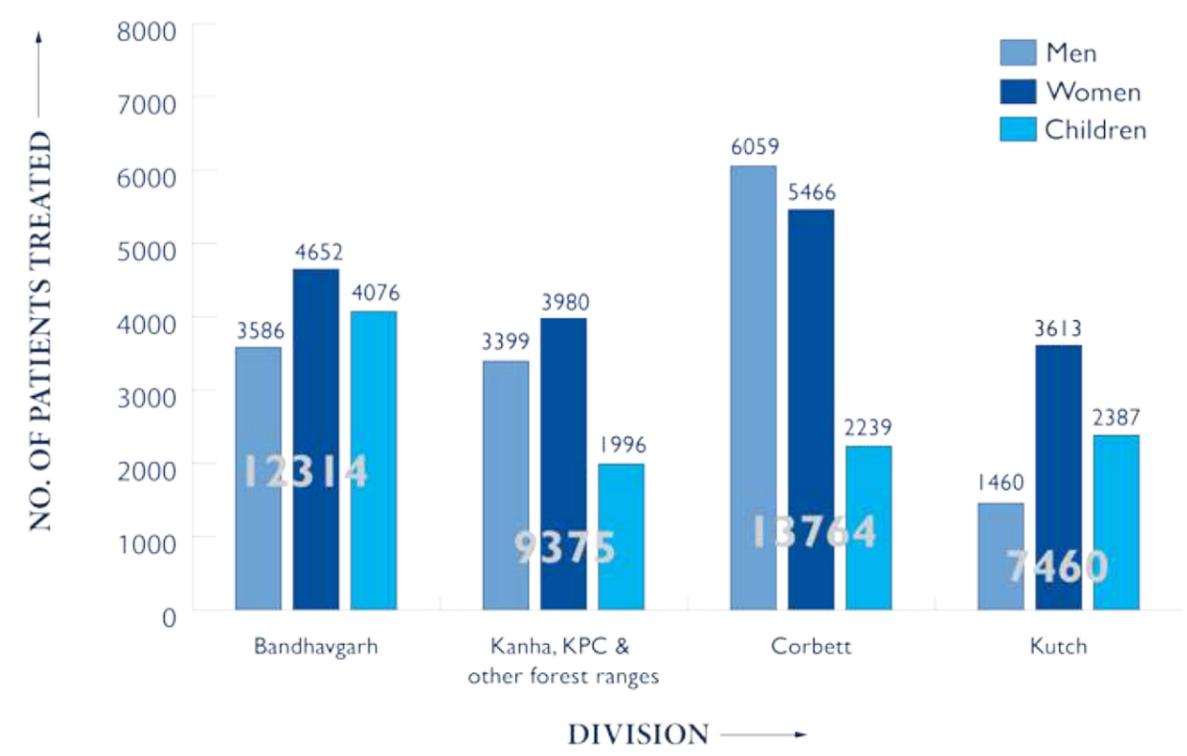
RMOP 2016-17
42,913
PATIENTS
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Medical Camps & Outpatient Departments

Through 2016-17, TCF has treated 42,913 patients, locals from forest-dwelling communities in more than 350 villages in and around the tiger reserves of Corbett, Kanha, Bandhavgarh and in the Kanha-Pench Corridor (KPC) and Kutch, by conducting medical check-up camps, weekly visits by five dedicated Mobile Medical Units and receiving patients at its divisional Outpatient Departments (OPDs). Patients have been given primary medical treatment for a wide range of ailments including respiratory problems, pyrexia, endocrine disorders, rheumatism, vitamin deficiency, urinary tract infections, lymphatic diseases, eye disease, gastrointestinal infection, gynaecological disorders and such. Since November 2016, TCF has acquired three portable pathology labs, strengthening its medical outreach further by making affordable diagnostic and pathological testing accessible to the remotest of villages. In 2016-17, TCF's RMOP was supported by Bajaj Auto Ltd.



TCF conducts awareness campaigns and programmes about health and hygiene, symptoms, prevention and treatment of various diseases while dispelling myths and stigma around illnesses. World AIDS day, World Diabetes Day, World No Tobacco Day, World Malaria Day, World Tuberculosis Day and others are commemorated with forest-dwelling local communities



Pulmonary Tuberculosis Eradication

TCF Corbett and **World Memorial Fund for Disaster Relief** have together been implementing the ‘Pulmonary Tuberculosis Eradication Project’ since the year 2000 for forest-dwelling communities in and around Corbett Tiger Reserve. In 2016-17, 60 patients were diagnosed as afflicted with TB received treatment from TCF’s medical team at Corbett under this project. Patients are counseled about precautions to prevent the spread of the disease, and prevention measures are communicated to the general rural public in these areas.



Well-water chlorination

TCF regularly carries out well-water chlorination to prevent the occurrence of waterborne diseases like jaundice, typhoid and cholera, especially during the monsoon. TCF Bandhavgarh began a water-borne disease prevention campaign for schools and community members in villages Kaseru and Shejwahi near Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve and distributed chlorine solutions for the chlorination of 80 wells in 2016-17. TCF Kanha chlorinated 33 wells in surrounding villages.



Anti-addiction Awareness

On occasions like World No Tobacco Day in May 2017 and through the year via campaigns like *Nasha Unmoolan*, TCF conducted awareness programmes for villagers and schools in Bandhavgarh, KPC and Corbett on the dangers of smoking and chewing tobacco, chewing *paan* or *ghutka* and alcohol addiction, as well as the effect of passive smoking on family members, neighbours and friends, reaching out to more than 200 people collectively.



Women’s Health Awareness

TCF places strong focus on women’s health awareness - an important subject largely neglected in rural society. TCF’s medical team conducted educational sessions on campus and in villages across divisions for more than 100 women on personal hygiene and care during menstruation, natural medicinal therapy from herbs, prevention of anaemia, and health and nutrition.



Special camps for Forest Staff

Special medical camps and first-aid training workshops were organized by TCF for the forest field staff at Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve and Corbett Tiger Reserve. At Rathuadhab range office, field staff of Corbett Tiger Reserve were given basic first-aid training and demonstration of emergency response to treat burn injuries, snakebite incidents, bone fractures, control bleeding and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. A medical camp for 317 field staff of Panpatha and Pataur forest ranges of Bandhavgarh was also conducted.



First-Aid training & kits

The medical team at TCF conducted basic first-aid training and demonstration for nearly 400 students in Government High school, Kunkhet and Govt. Junior High School, Sundarkhal (Corbett), Govt. Middle School, Bhijariya (Bandhavgarh), Government Higher Secondary School, Mohgaon, Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Birsa and Government Higher Secondary School, Khajra (Kanha). TCF’s division at Bandhavgarh, Kanha and Corbett distributed a total of 23 first-aid kits to local schools and forest check-posts.



Dental and oral hygiene

TCF’s medical team at Kanha conducted awareness talks on dental and oral hygiene for school students from Primary Government schools in villages Pandrapani, Baigatola, Bhadgaon and Bheemlat and at Government Primary School Fattepur around Kanha Tiger Reserve. Dental kits comprising a toothbrush, toothpaste and tongue cleaner were distributed to all students.



BAJAJ SAKSHAM PROGRAMME

Diagnostic facilities for rural communities



With support from **Bajaj Auto Ltd.**, TCF has made diagnostic facilities and pathological testing accessible to forest-dwelling communities in the remote locations where it implements its medical outreach programme, through three Mobile Pathology Labs (MPLs). The MPLs allow for the testing of 12 medical health parameters including blood sugar, cholesterol, uric acid, creatinine, albumin and more. Two of these diagnostic kits are with TCF’s division at Corbett and one at Kanha. Between November 2016 and March 2017, TCF has conducted 738 diagnostic tests. **Bajaj Auto Ltd.** has also supported TCF in conducting an array of awareness programmes, special medical camps and checkups for schools and village communities throughout the year. The subjects in focus include women’s health, first-aid workshops, anti-tobacco and anti-addiction, health and hygiene among others.

VETERINARY CARE

Forest-dwelling rural communities in India depend considerably on animal husbandry for their livelihood, either as draft animals for agriculture or for dairy production. As a number of cattle in the areas TCF works in are draft animals, their ill-health directly affects the local economy. Veterinary care is of utmost importance in remote villages with inadequate resources; a considerable investment is made in the upbringing of the animal, and lack of basic veterinary facilities can severely impact livelihoods. TCF provides timely primary veterinary services under the guidance of its veterinary experts and Livestock Inspectors (LI) across its divisions on a weekly basis. The LIs are also responsible for creating awareness on basic care and management of livestock, and providing guidance in nutrition and upbringing of young animals. Stall feeding is strongly promoted in the community to reduce the number of cattle heads grazing in the forest. Fewer forest-grazing cattle reduces grazing pressure and improves forest and soil quality, minimizes human-wildlife conflict and reduces the risk of disease transmission from livestock to wildlife.

Bombay Gowrakshak Trust, Ms. Vasanta Iyer, Friends of Conservation, UK and Exodus Travels, UK support TCF's veterinary care initiatives



TCF's team of veterinary experts, paravets and Livestock Inspectors (LIs), locally called *gowsevaks*, regularly conduct veterinary camps in Corbett, Kanha and Bandhavgarh Tiger reserves and in Kutch. The team works round the clock, attending to livestock at the doorstep and ensuring that locals practice healthy and sustainable livestock-rearing practices and maintain disease-free and productive animals. Awareness is conducted to explain the benefits of livestock vaccination, dispel associated myths, and encourage the use of meloxicam instead of diclofenac in animal treatment. In 2016-17 TCF treated 6,069 livestock for ailments including worm infection, mastitis, indigestion, septic tumours, pneumonia, debility, acidosis, infertility and reproductive problems. TCF's cattle care programme is supported by the **Bombay Gowrakshak Trust**.



LIVESTOCK IMMUNIZATION



There is an active interface between wildlife and domestic cattle belonging to forest-dwelling communities in and around important wildlife habitat. The risk of disease transmission from cattle to wildlife and vice versa is a threat to wildlife conservation. In order to prevent the outbreak and spread of diseases and to keep cattle and livestock disease free, TCF regularly carries out vaccination drives in these areas against diseases like Black Quarter, Haemorrhagic Septicaemia and Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD). In 2016-17 TCF vaccinated 55,720 livestock across all its divisions as well as in Sanjay Dubri Tiger Reserve. This programme is supported by **Bombay Gowrakshak Trust**.

Disease control at the livestock-wildlife interface

Alarmed by the death of two dozen cattle in the village of Sukanigaon that fringes Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, village residents called on TCF's veterinary team to investigate the matter. TCF identified the cause to be the bacterial disease Black Quarter (BQ) that affects cattle. The case was immediately assessed by a rapid response veterinary team comprising veterinary doctors from TCF, the Assam Forest Department and State Animal Husbandry Department. TCF also immediately procured vaccines against BQ and Haemorrhagic Septicaemia (HS) and jointly begun an immunization programme for all the livestock in the area to contain the disease to safeguard both cattle and wildlife.



IMPROVING CATTLE MANAGEMENT AROUND PROTECTED AREAS



HYDROPONICS - KUTCH



QUALITY BREED CATTLE INTRODUCTION



CALF BORN THROUGH ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION



HUMANE CASTRATION OF CATTLE

TCF's Cattle Culture programme, supported by the **Bombay Gowrakshak Trust** aims to improve the quality of cattle and cattle management in villages in and around Kanha and Bandhavgarh tiger reserves. The current local and unclassified breeds are low-productivity milch and draft animals; much is invested in their rearing, without commensurate work or dairy output and thereby, financial returns. More cattle are thus employed to maximize output. These cattle are also entirely dependent on the forest for grazing.

To reduce the number of cattle heads in and round Protected Areas, TCF has on a pilot scale begun encouraging villagers in Corbett Tiger Reserve to keep quality breed cows - crossbreeds such as *Jersey-Sahiwal* and *Holstein-Friesian-Sahiwal* - by way of financially assisting the villagers in the purchase of the animals. 10 beneficiaries from villages Jhart and Kartiya have availed of this assistance and selected the crossbreeds of their choice. Based on the progress of this initiative, TCF will take this improved-breed cattle introduction forward through the coming years as well. The purchased cattle were also insured under the Uttarakhand Government scheme '*Pashu dhan beema yojna*'. To complement fodder cultivation and maintain a source of quality fodder for high-quality cattle donated to beneficiaries at other divisions, TCF has installed two machines, one at Bandhavgarh and the other at Kutch, to produce green fodder using a soil-less technology called 'hydroponics'. The two hydroponics machines can generate up to 120 kg each of fresh fodder per day. Fodder from these machines is made available to select beneficiaries from Rakhi village (Bandhavgarh) and Tera and Kunathiya villages (Kutch). This initiative in Bandhavgarh is supported by **Friends of Conservation, UK** and **Exodus Travels, UK** and in Kutch by the **Bombay Gowrakshak Trust**. Cattle introduction and Hydroponics beneficiaries agree to the condition that they will in return cease to graze their cattle on grasslands or forests which form part of Protected Areas and wildlife habitat.

TCF implements an Artificial Insemination (AI) programme to upgrade existing local cattle breeds. LIs at TCF Kanha underwent training in the AI technique in 2015. Consequently, TCF set up a well-equipped breed-improvement centre at village Katangi in Kanha, aiming to cover a larger number of villages under its cattle breed improvement programme. TCF's LIs at Kanha have artificially inseminated 41 cattle in 2016-17 belonging to select beneficiaries. TCF also runs a mobile AI unit and service in Kanha. **Bombay Gowrakshak Trust** supports this programme.

Bullocks in rural areas are castrated to check unplanned breeding and to maintain quality breed cattle. A lack of awareness and facilities has resulted in the adoption of crude and unscientific methods of castration, causing much pain to the animal and putting it at risk of infection. TCF's veterinary team carries out humane castration of male calves using adequate pain management under local anaesthetic, as recommended by the Animal Welfare Board of India. In 2016-17 TCF castrated 75 bullocks.

Healthy Cattle, Healthy People



Following the initiative the farmer education project “Healthy Cattle, Healthy People” in the Kanha Tiger Reserve in 2015-2016, The Corbett Foundation once again teamed-up with the **University of Edinburgh, Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, Scotland, UK** to design and deliver a livestock farmer education project for villagers around the Kaziranga National Park. The project aims to provide locally-relevant sustainable animal-health education to farmers based on three basic tenets - animal health, welfare and productivity. Improved animal health leads to increased productivity supporting rural livelihoods while making efficient use of resources, which in turn reduces pressure on the natural environment.

Little is known about the animal health challenges rural farmers face. Gathering this information is crucial to developing locally-relevant solutions. In March 2017, a joint team from TCF and University of Edinburgh began working to gather information from farmers in Kaziranga through a combination of individual interviews and village meetings. Farmers discussed cattle diseases, farming practices and constraints on production.

Dr. Andy Hopker, veterinary surgeon and lecturer at UoE conducted workshops in 2015 for LIs at Kanha, training them to undertake village-level awareness programmes and interactive problem solving with villagers to effectively treat common livestock diseases in the field. In 2016-17 Dr. Hopker visited 30 villages in Kanha at random, to assess the effectiveness of the programmes conducted by the LIs.



Rakhi village in Bandhavgarh participates in a CATTLE CULTURE PROGRAMME

TCF initiated a Cattle Culture Programme for the villagers of Rakhi village that adjoins Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve. Under this programme, 10 high-yielding cattle were distributed to the villagers on condition that they would stall-feed their cattle. To ensure that the cattle are well-fed and healthy, the beneficiaries avail of TCF’s hydroponics installation at Bandhavgarh for green fodder. Additionally, TCF encourages and assists villagers in cultivating fodder for their cattle in their own fields as well. **Exodus Travels, UK** and **Friends of Conservation, UK** support this initiative.

Deworming cattle around Corbett Tiger Reserve



TCF implemented a deworming drive for cattle in 14 *Gujjar* settlements located in the buffer zone of Corbett Tiger Reserve and Terai West Forest Division. Approximately 2700 cattle were administered anthelmintic drugs to treat cattle infected by gastrointestinal worms and liver fluke.

SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

Sustainable Livelihoods

Conservation efforts are most fruitful when there is active community participation. Local communities are the pivotal stewards of the natural environment and its inhabitants. TCF works towards empowering communities and improving their livelihoods, and in turn acquires their support in conserving India's pristine wildlife.

Vocational Training

There is a crucial link between sustainable livelihoods and the involvement of local communities in conservation management. PUKAAR consists of various workshops to enhance the skills and livelihoods of local communities and aims at providing vocational training to 3,550 tribal and forest-dependent by communities by 2017. TCF also collaborates with USHA International Ltd. on USHA Silai Schools in Kanha.

Self-Help Groups

TCF helps the trainees in forming Self-help Groups (SHG), trains them in managing small businesses, and takes special efforts in finding new avenues for the marketing and sale of their products.

***PUKAAR is an initiative supported by
Axis Bank Foundation***

***USHA International established Silai
Schools in Kanha with TCF***



PUKAAR

Axis Bank Foundation and TCF conclude their five-year long sustainable livelihoods programme PUKAAR that began in July 2012, and have successfully provided vocational and skills training to 3,617 unemployed men and women from forest-dwelling communities in and around the tiger reserves of Bandhavgarh and Kanha (Madhya Pradesh), Corbett (Uttarakhand) and Kaziranga (Assam). In providing such training in skills and trades, PUKAAR aims at diverting their forest-based livelihoods towards more sustainable, lucrative alternatives, empowering the community, especially women, both financially and socially and enabling them to actively participate in conservation. In 2016-17, the final year of its running, TCF has provided training to 713 men and women in trades/skills including apiculture, poultry farming, mushroom cultivation, sewing and tailoring, tribal handicrafts, livestock farming, fisheries, kitchen-garden training, horticulture, motorbike repair, local foods, basic hospitality, vermicomposting, beautician training, carpentry, masonry, mobile repair and more. TCF facilitates successful trainees in gaining employment and job placement, and encourages entrepreneurship by providing initial investment and guidance. TCF helps the trainees in forming Self-help Groups (SHG), trains them in managing small businesses, and takes special efforts to find new avenues for the marketing and sale of their products. An assortment of pickles made by PUKAAR beneficiaries in Corbett, marketed under TCF's brand 'Prakriti' began stocking up on local market shelves since April 2016. TCF has also begun conducting training programme at its own vocational training facility at Kanha.



70% PLACEMENT SUCCESS
An average of 70% of the trained beneficiaries have been placed after successfully completing training between 2012 and 2017

TCF e-Shop

TCF opened its e-shop in February 2016, where products handcrafted by beneficiaries under PUKAAR, alongside other TCF memorabilia and souvenirs such as T-Shirts and key-chains are available for sale across India. e-shop sales have been plenty, with TCF receiving numerous orders for various products from its livelihoods programme. Beneficiaries receive the proceeds from the sale of handicrafts and other PUKAAR products on this e-shop. Visit the e-shop here:

www.corbettfoundation.org/shop.php

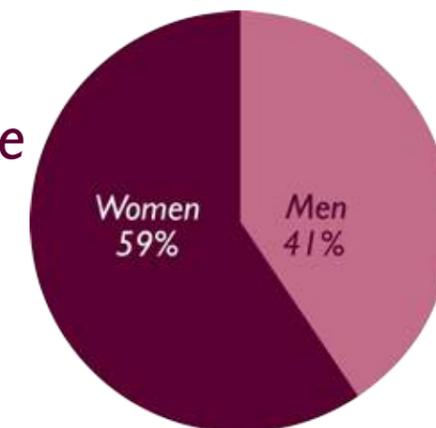


Women in the remote village of Japoripathar near Kaziranga Tiger Reserve have been learning to hand-loom weave cloth using traditional Assamese as well as modern designs, through TCF. 2016-17 saw many foreign tourists purchase hand-woven products from these women, encouraging the Assamese tradition and contributing to their income.

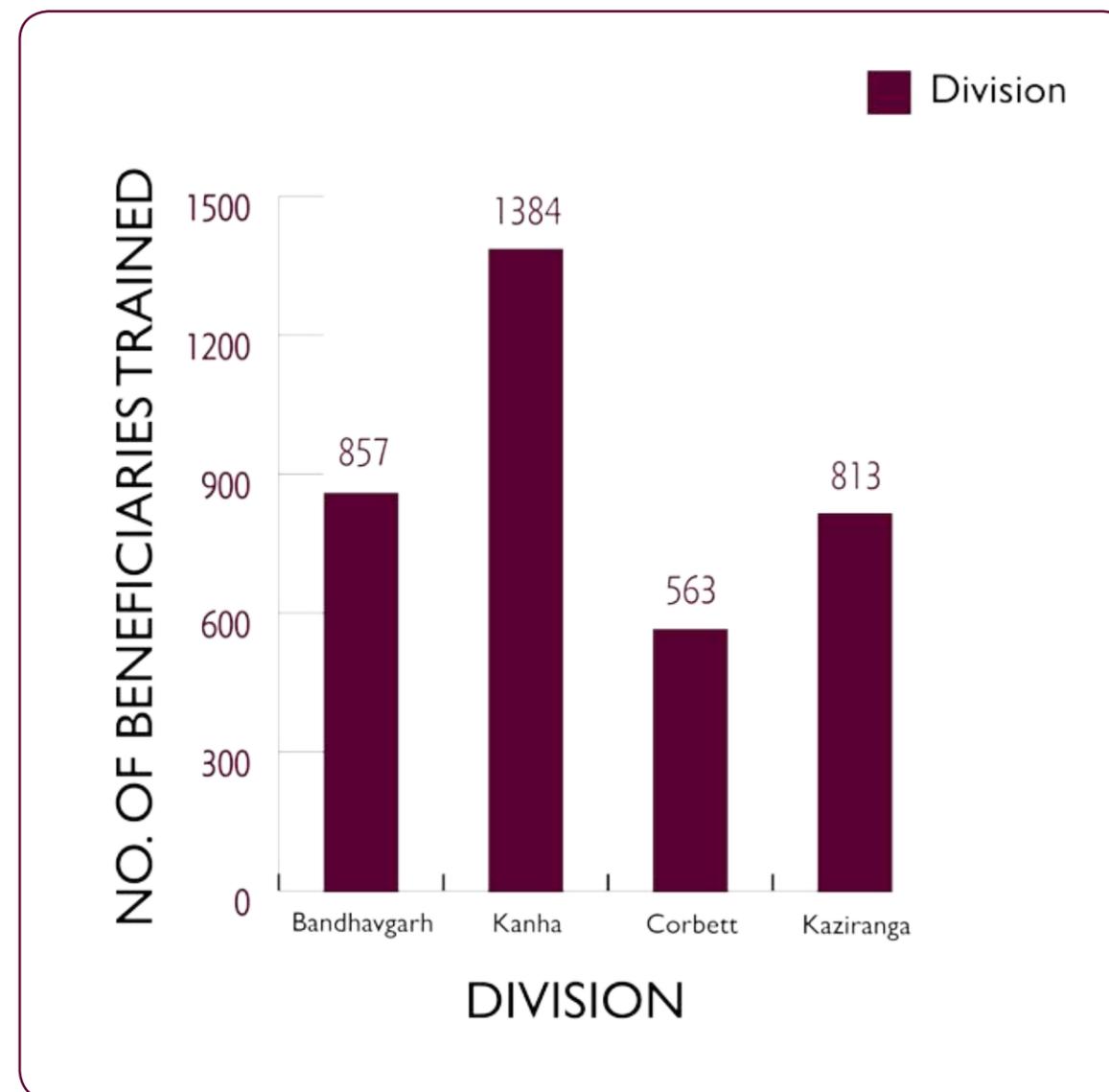
PUKAAR 2012 ▶ 2017

Year 1	764
Year 2	715
Year 3	713
Year 4	712
Year 5	713

Gender-wise trainee distribution



BENEFICIARIES TRAINED





Gond Art



USHA Silai Schools

In October 2016, TCF and **USHA International Ltd.** collaborated to establish 'Silai Schools' for women from communities in and around Kanha Tiger Reserve. This initiative aims at encouraging women in rural areas to become entrepreneurs by training in sewing and tailoring, following which they will operate and maintain their own *Silai School* to in turn impart training to other women in their community. The initiative began with a week-long residential training at TCF's vocational training centre at Kanha for 10 women selected to become entrepreneurs. These women have now established a total of 10 *Silai Schools* in their respective villages. Students have begun to enroll in these schools and the teachers earn a monthly fee by conducting training using the sewing machines provided by USHA International and TCF. The income supplements their regular earnings, helping them to enhance their children's education and meet medical expenses. Their status as teachers and entrepreneurs has given them a sense of purpose and pride and earned

them a distinct identity among their community.





FISHERIES



SEWING & TAILORING



HORTICULTURE



POULTRY FARMING



APICULTURE



LOCAL HANDICRAFTS



ETHNIC/TRIBAL MUSIC



KITCHEN GARDEN TRAINING



AQUACULTURE



MOTORBIKE REPAIR



CARPENTRY



SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE



MOBILE REPAIR



BASIC HOSPITALITY



DRIVER TRAINING



CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION



MASONRY



BEAUTICIAN TRAINING

...AND MORE



Rekha Rahangdale from Jangal Tola in Kanha cycles to her *silai school* located far into the forest to train six students enrolled in the sewing and tailoring programme between 11 and 3 pm. She earns ₹ 1,500 per month and uses her income to meet the expenses of her house and children. She aims to establish a garment boutique of her own.



Phuliya Bai from village Samnapur near Kanha completed training in sewing and tailoring. She now tailors garments for community members, earning ₹ 3,000 a month with which she supports her family and will build a pukka house for her and her family to live in. She has seven students enrolled at her *silai school*.



Priyanka Gupta from Bandhavgarh underwent beautician training. Previously unemployed and financially dependent on her family members, she now earns ₹ 3,000 a month running a beauty parlour at her home, and manages her expenses with this income.



Three women and eleven men from village Newsa in Kanha formed 'Newsa SHG' after training in poultry-farming. They were previously unemployed. They are now happy with the progress of their business and the constructive use of their time, having earned ₹ 41,000 during the initial phase of their poultry farming activities.

SUCCESS STORIES



Lalita Bopche, a widow with two daughters from village Dalwada in Kanha, has seven students enrolled at her *silai school* learning sewing and tailoring between 12pm and 3pm. Through training fees and through the sale of *sarees* and other garments that she independently tailors, she earns ₹ 2,000 a month.



After being trained in kitchen-gardening, Vimal Yadav from Bandhavgarh grows tomatoes and other vegetables in her backyard. She earns ₹ 6,000 a month from the sale of these vegetables to fellow villagers at the local market.

Gopali Basor from Bandhavgarh underwent the fisheries training, and now earns ₹ 10,000 a month with which he meets his household expenses. He invests part of his earnings in furthering his fisheries activities.



Lilavati Yadav from a village near Bandhavgarh completed training in sewing and tailoring, after which she has set up a small tailoring boutique, stitching garments and earning an average of ₹ 1,000 a month. She supports her family with her income and has earned the respect as an earning member of the family.





Eleven youth from village Fandki in the Kanha-Pench Corridor underwent training in Band-Music performance. As the SHG 'PU-KAAR Band Party', they now perform regularly at weddings, local events and festivals. They have earned ₹ 30,000 during the first phase of their trade.



Eleven women and four men from the Baiga community of village Samnapur near Kanha received training in fishery in 2016-17. They have now formed 'Meet fisheries SHG' and have earned ₹ 20,000 through their sales this year.



Anil Bopche from Kanha completed training in motorbike-repair under PUKAAR in 2016-17. He has now established his own two-wheeler repair shop, earning ₹ 4,000 a month. He uses his income to meet his father's medical expenses and the expenses of his family



After training in kitchen-gardening, Rajesh Baiga from Bandhavgarh earns ₹ 5500 a month from the sale of potatoes, onions and other vegetables he grows. He supports his family and is able to meet his personal expenses with his income.

SUCCESS STORIES



After completing training in kitchen-gardening, Ganpat Baheshwar from Kanha now regularly harvests onions from his garden in quantities as high as 10,000 kilograms, selling them at the local market at ₹10 per kilo along with other vegetables. He supports the education of his two daughters on his income.



After training in poultry farming, a group of 12 men from Bandhavgarh formed Gopal SHG, using chickens and chicken feed provided by TCF as initial investment to earn ₹ 30,000 in poultry sale. A portion of the amount is saved in their account and the rest is used to purchase material to further the business.



Mahendra Patle from Kanha underwent training in carpentry. He now earns ₹ 5000 each month through independent local carpentry assignments



Sumi Saikia Hazarika from Kaziranga would earlier shuffle between towns in search of employment to make ends meet. After training in sewing & tailoring, she set up her own sewing & tailoring boutique at a busy market near Kaziranga, now earning ₹ 10,000 a month tailoring school uniforms and garments in the latest trends.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

In addition to its flagship programmes, TCF has also undertaken special projects that are directed towards the development of sustainable communities and the community-based management of natural resources. These include integrated development projects like community-based conservation programmes, construction of energy-efficient stoves, solar lighting and biogas plants, watershed management, scholarships for promising students and flood relief-cum-livelihood facilities.

Kaziranga Tiger Reserve faces peril annually in the face of the devastating floods in Assam. TCF Kaziranga spends the monsoon months dedicatedly providing relief services, assistance, volunteers and manpower to assist Kaziranga's wildlife and human communities during and in the aftermath of the flood.

JSW Group, Born Free Foundation, Friends of Conservation, UK, Exodus Travels, UK, The Coca-Cola India Foundation and Hem Chand Mahindra Foundation support TCF's various community-based conservation and natural resource management initiatives



Energy-efficient stoves for the rural community at TANSA WILDLIFE SANCTUARY



Since December 2016, TCF has begun community-based conservation initiatives at Tansa Wildlife Sanctuary (TWS) located in Maharashtra in collaboration with the Thane Forest Department, Maharashtra. This 335.69 sq km of Southern Tropical Moist Deciduous forest acts as a catchment for the Tansa and Vaitarna reservoirs where the city of Mumbai, around 100 km away from Tansa sources 48% of its fresh water supply from. The local community here is heavily dependent on Tansa's forests for to meet their firewood, livelihood and cultivation requirements. Such heavy resource dependence arising from a lack of alternatives and amenities has degraded this important forest habitat. As a community-based conservation measure to reduce the degradation of forest habitat at Tansa, TCF distributed 443 energy-efficient portable stoves to households across eight villages scattered within the sanctuary. The stoves are easier to handle, portable, energy-efficient, release less smoke and require smaller quantities of firewood at a time. As a result, the stockpile of wood collected by women of the household every week last longer than usual and reduces the frequency of wood-felling from the forest. The beneficiaries have responded positively to this initiative, evident from its regular usage and positive feedback during an impact survey. This project is supported by the JSW Group.



Constructing ENERGY-EFFICIENT STOVES

Sakhi

Traditional mud, brick or open stoves used by forest-dwelling communities require large quantities of firewood sourced from the surrounding forest due to low thermal efficiency, creating a heavy and unsustainable forest-dependence that degrades important wildlife habitat. The smoke from the stoves is detrimental to the health of the women who spend hours in the kitchen, as is the heavy burden of firewood they carry over long distances. To reduce pressure on forests for fuel wood and protect women's health, TCF constructed 200 energy-efficient Sakhi stoves for households in villages Patpariya, Makra and Khichkidi in the Bandhavgarh Sanjay-Dubri Corridor. These stoves require a much smaller quantity of fuel wood, and the attached chimney releases the harmful smoke and exhaust from the kitchen to outside the house. This project is supported by **Born Free Foundation**.



Solar Lighting



Erratic electricity supply or the complete lack thereof is one of the many hardships forest-dwelling communities endure; domestic chores and general mobility in forests after sunset is difficult and dangerous. Forest watchers regularly patrolling the buffer and core zones in tiger reserves inhabited by wildlife also put themselves at great risk. To better the living conditions of such communities, mitigate conflict and enable true community participation in conservation, TCF made solar-powered lighting units available to households as well as forest-watchers and check-posts at Bandhavgarh, Kanha, Pench and Corbett tiger reserves. 390 solar-lights were distributed to households in Kanha Tiger Reserve. Thanks to Tejas Goculdas of The Cathedral & John Connon School, Mumbai, 40 families from village Belegaon can now illuminate their houses despite the absence of electricity. 167 units were given to forest check-posts at Pench Tiger Reserve to alleviate the difficult working conditions of the forest field staff here. **Friends of Conservation, UK and Exodus Travels UK** generously supported the donation of 87 of these units here. At Bandhavgarh, 50 units were distributed to forest check-posts and 27 units were distributed

to patrolling camps at Sanjay Tiger Reserve. Through a donation by **Ms. Vasanta Iyer**, 83 solar-lights were given to forest-watchers - daily wage workers who patrol the reserve on the lookout for untoward activity - to boost their morale and strengthen the patrolling capacity.

WATERSHED MANAGEMENT

Agriculture, the primary occupation of local communities around Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, is largely rain-fed due to a lack of irrigation facilities, and is therefore characterized by low produce. This increases the dependence of local communities on forest resources. To improve soil and water management and enhance water availability and agricultural productivity of the community, TCF initiated a watershed management project in five villages Dadraudi, Kudar, Bardauha, Majhgawan and Saraswahi on the periphery of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve (Manpur block of Umaria district) in October 2015. This two-year long project is supported by **The Coca-Cola India Foundation**, and aims to store 3, 17,861 cubic meter of water. Under this project, 10 water storages structures including village ponds and check dams have been constructed which have a storage capacity of 2, 97,182.4 cubic meter of water. 12,666 running meter field bunding in four villages has been completed to prevent soil erosion and conserve rain water. 5,189 residents of these 5 villages will benefit from this project.



Nature Guide Training



In September 2016, TCF conducted its annual workshop for the Capacity Building and Skill Development of 280 Nature Guides comprising newly recruited as well as well-experienced guides from Kanha Tiger Reserve, Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve and Pench Tiger Reserve respectively, collaborating with the respective forest departments. The duration of the workshop was three days at each reserve, where TCF resource persons and guest lecturers conducted classroom as well as field sessions on various subject matter related to biodiversity and the environment, faunal and floral species, the region's ecosystem and natural history and on communication skills and etiquette. This annual programme aims to develop nature guides into better communicators and representatives of India's wild heritage, and to be effective messengers of conservation to the annual throngs of tourists. This year TCF was also invited to conduct this programme for 30 guides from Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary at Chhattisgarh and 45 guides from Sanjay Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh.



COMMUNITY CONSERVATION CENTRE & TRIBAL MUSEUM



Eco Vikas where bamboo handicraft and other artwork made by the community are available for purchase. Visitors enjoy a rare glimpse of authentic tribal living while sampling tribal cuisine and taking in tribal music and dance performances. The campus is complete with traditional Baiga-style mud huts made entirely from natural materials. Adjacent to the museum is a Community Conservation Centre (CCC) spread over 5 acres of land, run by Mukki Eco Vikas. Various fodder species like maize, rice, wheat and vegetables like okra, carrot, radish, cabbage, chillies, brinjal, coriander are organically cultivated here. A butterfly garden local shrubs and herbs, a rainwater harvesting pond and a nature trail winding through the centre with signage along the way adorn the CCC. This initiative aims to promote sustainable agriculture techniques and organic farming.

In October 2016, TCF was awarded the Best Responsible Tourism Project at the Madhya Pradesh Tourism Awards 2016 for the Tribal Museum initiative. The award was presented by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh in the presence of other dignitaries and received by TCF Baiga Colleagues.

TCF has established a Tribal Museum and community conservation centre on its campus near Kanha Tiger Reserve's Mukki gate. The museum is a repository of artifacts of the Baiga and Gond tribes, showcasing the traditional tools and instruments that the tribal community uses for fishing and agriculture. Ornaments that Baiga men and women traditionally adorn themselves with are also displayed here – representatives of a quickly diminishing tribal culture that TCF attempts to conserve. The museum houses a souvenir shop run by the self-help group (SHG) Mukki

Aiding communities & wildlife in Kaziranga through

FLOOD RELIEF

Each year Kaziranga Tiger Reserve suffers devastation to both human communities and wildlife residing here due to the floods in Assam. The 2016-17 flood waters inundated villages a month sooner than expected. TCF had begun flood relief preparation the previous year. Three weeks prior to the monsoon in 2016 a massive awareness programme was also conducted in 35 villages advising villagers on the do's and don'ts during the floods and how to deal with panicked/fleeing wildlife seeking refuge. TCF maintained a 24x7 rescue helpline with over 50 volunteers to aid the Forest Department and CWRC Rescue Centre in flood management and rescues. TCF also undertook a crowd-funding campaign 'Fight the Flood' to raise funds for TCF's flood-relief and flood preparation activities

Highland Construction



Japoripathar is a remote village at the edge of Kaziranga that gets completely cut-off from road networks during the flood. Supported by **Dharamsi Morarji Chemicals Co. Ltd.**, TCF built a 1m high Highland with a community weaving centre and livestock and fodder-storage shed which proved extremely useful as a refuge to animals and their livestock during the floods in the monsoon of 2016. TCF's founder and chairman Mr. Dilip Khatau inaugurated a 45-day training programme on this highland in April 2016, at which local women would learn to weave traditional Assamese fabric and designs on hand looms - a part of TCF's sustainable livelihoods programme PUKAAR - and continue this activity safely even during the floods. With support from **Hem Chand Mahindra Foundation**, TCF has begun construction of another Highland in village Diphloopathar in preparation for the floods in 2017.

Wildlife Rescues

TCF rescued 90 injured or stranded animals including reptile and bird species with the involvement of the community. The animals include 62 hog deer, 18 of which were promptly transported to the CWRC rescue centre and 44 of which were released to safer locations by TCF's rescue team after initial veterinary examination.



Veterinary care

187 livestock attended to through mobile veterinary camps along National Highway 37 and treating livestock injured in the flood or through wildlife encounters through door-to-door calls.

Rescuing villagers

Rescuing villagers stranded in their homes after being unable to escape the village in time, and salvaging grain stores from the submerged houses of farmers using TCF's boat and volunteers. Transporting injured villagers to the nearest hospital and bearing immediate medical expenses

Anti-poaching efforts

Patrolling the poaching-prone border of the National Park between Teensukey, Dumjan, Bejgaon and Dogaon villages on TCF's boat using volunteers and informing the DFO about any suspected movement of poachers and new people in the area.

Patrolling NH7

Night-patrolling on the NH37. Supporting forest guards by providing refreshments after midnight to ensure the alertness of those on duty throughout the night as advised by the DFO, Kaziranga National Park. Aiding in issuing time-cards to vehicles to minimize road accidents and death of wildlife that crosses this highway while fleeing the flood and in search of higher ground.

Resources for volunteers

Distribution of shoes and raincoats to 170 members of Eco Development Committees (EDC) who would later work closely with TCF as volunteers for flood-relief work

Distributing relief material

Distribution of snacks, fruits, matchboxes and candles to temporary shelters along the NH7. Clothing and such material mobilized locally to distribute to affected villagers.



Post Flood Activities

After the recession of flood waters, an outbreak of Foot and Mouth (FMD) was reported in the flood-affected villages. With support from **Hem Chand Mahindra Foundation**, TCF treated 958 livestock for FMD at veterinary camps organized on the highland at Japoripathar. TCF also helped to repair damaged houses, hand-pumps and cattle sheds damaged during the flood.

Securing wildlife habitat through **COMMUNITY-BASED CONSERVATION**

Communities residing in and around Protected Areas traditionally depend on firewood sourced from forests to meet their energy and livelihood needs. This resource-intensive land use as a result of marginalization and a lack of basic and alternative amenities for local communities has deteriorated forest habitat in various parts of India. TCF is strongly focused on community-based initiatives to restore degraded forest habitat and to encourage communities to cultivate and harvest fodder species and bamboo on private land, in both the Central Indian landscape and in the Terai Arc landscape.

Community-Based Natural Resource Conservation



TCF is working with the Eco-Development Committee of Bakiguda village in the buffer zone of Kanha Tiger Reserve for the conservation and management of their natural resources. The invasive weed *Lantana camara* was removed, and saplings of indigenous trees such as Saja, Harra, Bahera, Arjuna, and Bamboo were planted. The patch of re-planted land is enclosed by a fence to prevent the newly planted saplings from being trampled or grazed by cattle. This particular activity contributes to the improvement of the quality of adjoining forest, which is crucial habitat for tigers and other wildlife. Till date, around 1500 saplings have been planted. 10 biogas units have also been constructed for households in Kanha, which has been a very good alternative fuel source to firewood sourced from the forest. **Born Free Foundation** supports this project

Habitat Restoration

For the long-term conservation of tigers in Bandhavgarh, it is crucial to conserve the corridor between Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve and Sanjay Tiger Reserve. However, anthropogenic activities of the local community here are continuously degrading the habitat here, and initiatives to conserve this corridor are urgently needed here. TCF thus initiated project 'Hariyali' near the village of Pattharhatta in the Bandhavgarh-Sanjay-Dubri Corridor in October 2016. TCF has planted 3000 saplings of indigenous plants species over a five hectare plot of land here, protected by a five-foot high chain-link fence to protect the saplings from grazing local livestock, in order to gradually revive this corridor.



THE WAY FORWARD

Conservation and integrated sustainable development is an endeavour that requires the support of contributors from diverse sectors to become successful. The Corbett Foundation (TCF) also believes that conservation is a collective responsibility, and our efforts to this end are more effective, mutually beneficial and the impact, long-lasting when we combine our strengths and resources with various corporates, multinational companies, financial institutions, public sector units and International bodies with aligning values and philosophies, and create meaningful partnerships that pertain to a company's specific area of focus for their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

Since its inception in 1994, TCF has been dedicated to wildlife conservation and works towards striking a harmonious balance between humans and wildlife. Our divisions in Corbett, Bandhavgarh, Kanha, Kaziranga and Kutch have been conserving the wildlife and promoting sustainable development by serving the community as well as the wildlife they share their homes with. TCF's passionate staff works at grassroots-levels to bring about a positive change at a landscape-level by reaching out to more than 400 villages, working hand-in-hand with the Forest Departments, local governing bodies, as well as the local community.

Looking ahead, TCF aims to intensify its efforts for wildlife conservation by undertaking wildlife-centric, socio-economic as well as sustainable development interventions to address issues related to the delicate human-wildlife interface. TCF has ensured that its activities reach out to Sanjay-Dubri Tiger Reserve, Kanha-Pench Corridor and Bandhavgarh-Sanjay Dubri Corridor in Madhya Pradesh; Ramnagar Forest Division and other important forest areas adjacent to Corbett Tiger Reserve in Uttarakhand; and important forest areas around Kaziranga Tiger Reserve in Assam.

In 2016-17, TCF received excellent support from India's corporate sector. With the support of Coca-Cola India Foundation, TCF is working to address the issues related to water conservation by introducing rainwater harvesting and ground water recharging to promote agriculture. Baja Auto Ltd. supports TCF's Rural Medical Outreach Programme in Corbett and Kanha. TCF's collaboration with Axis Bank Foundation for its Sustainable Livelihoods Programme PUKAAR between 2012-2017 has ensured that in five years, the project has benefited over 3500 unemployed youths from important tiger habitats in India. TCF's flagship project to save the Critically Endangered Great Indian Bustard received support from the Kirloskar Group.

TCF aims to extend its outreach to garner more support for wildlife conservation by collaborating with central and state governments, national and international institutions and organizations, as well as local communities who play an integral part in the wildlife conservation movement. We look forward to partner with like-minded corporates on CSR projects that align with TCF's vision for a future where humans and wildlife live in harmony.

We are thankful to all of our donors and supporters for the trust and confidence they have placed in us, and look forward to their continued support and guidance in the coming years. Feedback from our donors, supporters and well-wishers are valuable for TCF to grow and expand. You can send in your comments and suggestions at info@corbettfoundation.org.

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The Corbett Foundation supports its wide range of activities in Corbett, Bandhavgarh, Kanha, and Kaziranga Tiger Reserves, and around the Greater Rann of Kutch through the interest earned on its corpus fund. In addition, it receives donations and project grants from individual as well as corporate donors who share TCF's vision and objectives.

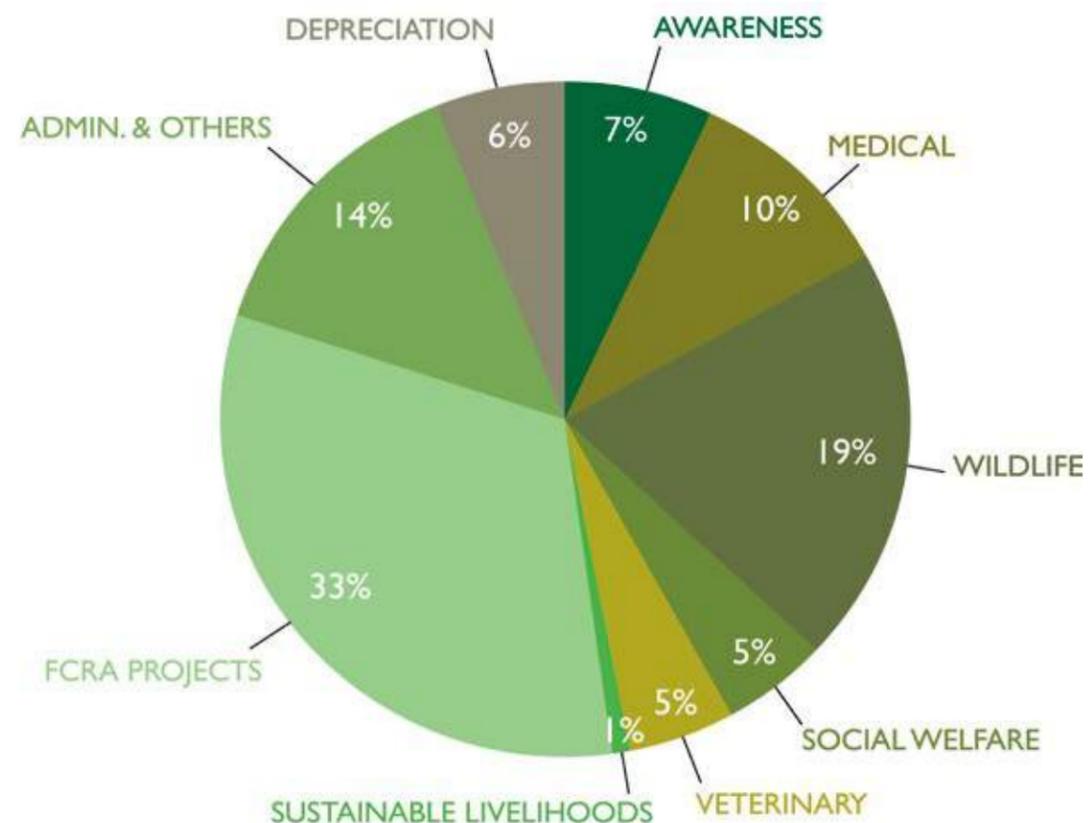
In 2016-2017 TCF had over Rs. 5 crore to be spent on its programmes at all its locations. TCF ensured that its funds were judiciously spent towards its programmes – Awareness (7%), Rural Medical Outreach (10%), Wildlife Conservation (19%), Social Welfare (5%), Veterinary (5%), Sustainable Livelihoods (1%) and Foreign-Fund Projects (33%). Around 14% was spent on administrative and other miscellaneous expenses and 6% was taken towards depreciation. The current year loss is reflected as the donation from Coca-Cola India Foundation, was received and accounted in the previous year (2015-16). However, the utilization was made during the current year.

Responsibility Statement by the Management: The Corbett Foundation confirms that:

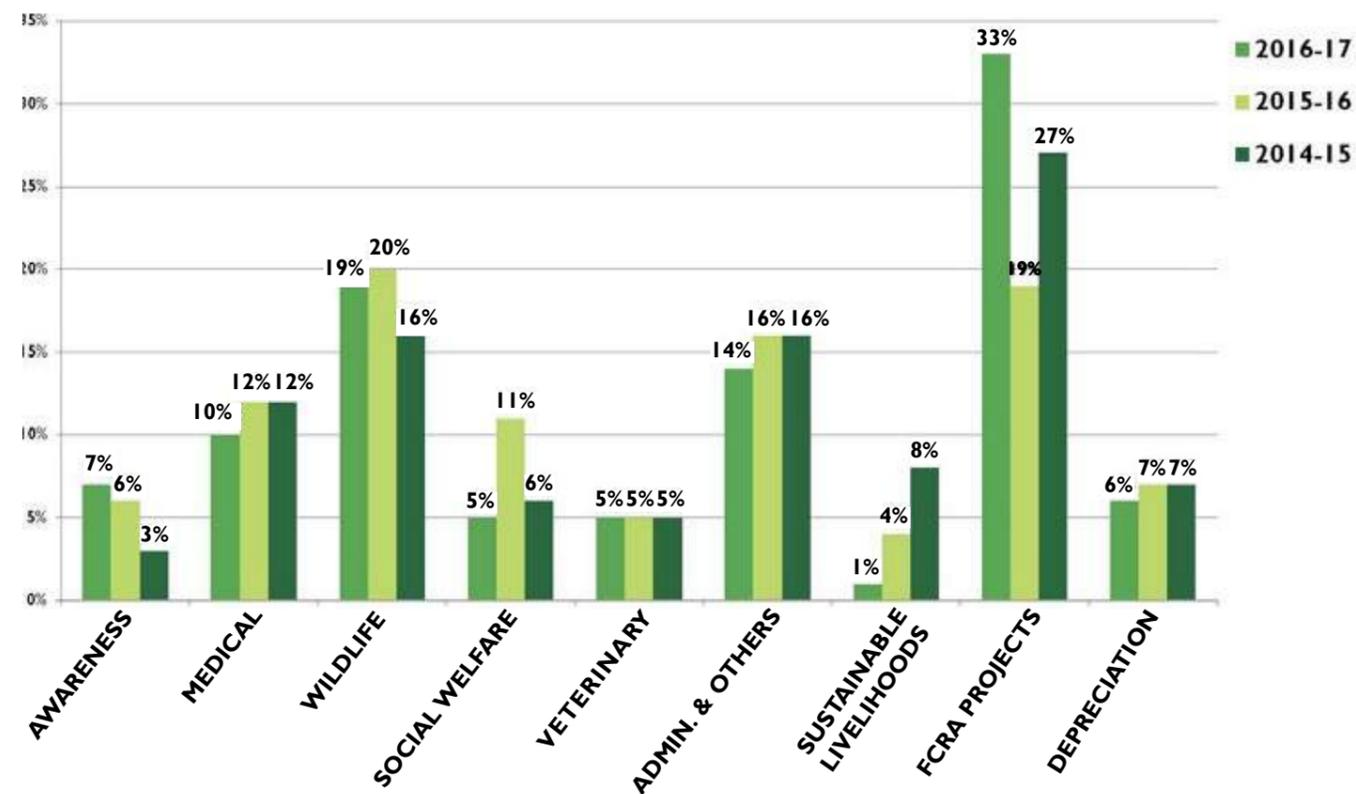
1. The Annual Accounts have been prepared on the basis of the Accounting policies adopted by the organization in compliance to the existing Accounting Standards wherever necessary.
2. Sufficient care has been taken for the maintenance of Accounts as per the applicable legal statutes of India.
3. The Statutory Auditors have performed their task in an independent manner and the management letter submitted by the Statutory Auditors has been considered by the management.
4. During daily operations of the organization, ethical accountability, value of money and environmental concerns have been given highest priority. No part of the income during the previous year has been applied and used directly for the benefit of:
 - a. The author or founder of the organization.
 - b. Any person who has made a substantial contribution to the organization
 - c. Any relative of the Member of the Governing Board.
 - d. Any concerns in which the above mentioned category of persons have substantial interest. (As required under Sec. 13(3) of Income Tax Act, 1961)
5. None of the members of the Governing Board has been given any honorarium and none of them occupies a place of profit in the organization.

PROGRAMME-WISE EXPENDITURE

2016-17



PAST THREE YEARS



AUDITOR'S REPORT 2016-17

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FORM NO. 10B
(See rule 17B)

Audit Report under Section 12A(b) of the Income-tax Act, 1961, in the case of charitable or religious trusts or institutions

We have examined the balance-sheet of **THE CORBETT FOUNDATION** as at 31st March, 2017 and the Income & Expenditure account for the year ended on that date which are in agreement with the books of accounts maintained by the said trust.

We have obtained all the information and explanations, which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of the audit. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the head office and the branches of the above named trust visited by us so far as appears from our examination of the books, and proper returns adequate for the purposes of audit have been received from branches not visited by us, subject to the comments given below :-

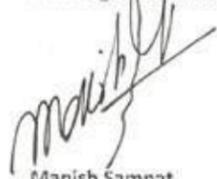
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In our opinion and to the best of our information, and according to information given to us, the said accounts give a true and fair view -

- (i) in the case of the balance-sheet, of the state of affairs of the above named trust as at 31st March, 2017, and
- (ii) in the case of the Income & Expenditure Account, of the deficit of its accounting year ending on 31st March, 2017.

The prescribed particulars are annexed hereto.

For CNK & Associates LLP
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No.: 101961 W/W-100036


Manish Sampat
Partner



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BALANCE SHEET 2016-17

THE CORBETT FOUNDATION
Balance Sheet As At March 31, 2017

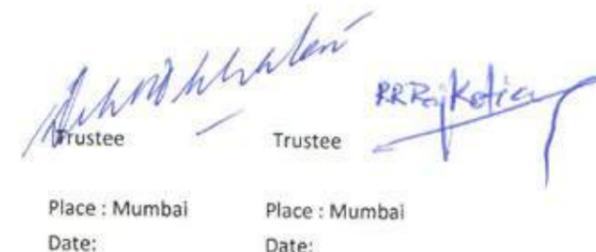
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SOURCES OF FUND			
Corpus Fund	1	21,84,89,681	22,25,79,858
		21,84,89,681	22,25,79,858
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Fixed Assets	2	2,72,27,296	2,61,18,676
Less: Depreciation		31,24,553	27,70,652
		2,41,02,743	2,33,48,024
CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS & ADVANCES			
Cash & Bank Balance	3	19,38,81,055	19,68,25,337
Other Current Assets	4	30,26,697	41,87,786
		19,69,07,752	20,10,13,123
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES	5	25,20,812	17,81,289
Net Current Assets		19,43,86,940	19,92,31,834
		21,84,89,681	22,25,79,858

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT 2016-2017

THE CORBETT FOUNDATION			
Income and Expenditure Account For the Year Ended 31st March, 2017			
Particulars	Sch. No.	For the year ended March 31, 2017 Rs.	For the year ended March 31, 2016 Rs.
INCOME			
Donations and contributions - FCRA		1,05,70,633	2,30,23,474
Donations and contributions - Others		1,84,20,292	1,24,95,185
Interest on bank deposits and savings accounts		1,64,82,426	1,72,30,519
Miscellaneous Income		5,72,892	2,79,901
		4,60,46,243	5,30,29,079
EXPENDITURE			
Awareness/ Education Programme	6	35,63,961	23,17,605
Medical Programme	7	49,43,596	44,84,853
Wildlife Programmes	8	95,48,887	77,18,465
Social Welfare	9	22,79,982	41,30,772
Veterinary Programme	10	27,62,852	17,65,967
Sustainable Livelihood Programme	11	3,00,000	13,64,554
FCRA Projects	12	1,66,71,324	72,82,240
Administrative & other expenses	13	69,41,266	61,86,982
Depreciation		31,24,553	27,70,653
		5,01,36,420	3,80,22,092
Excess of Expenditure Over Income for the year		(40,90,177)	1,50,06,987
Balance carried over to Balance Sheet		(40,90,177)	1,50,06,987

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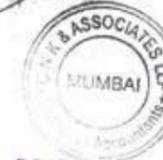
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT

THE CORBETT FOUNDATION
81/88, Atlanta Building, Nariman Point, Mumbai - 400021
RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2017

RECEIPTS	Amount (In Rs.)	Amount (In Rs.)	PAYMENTS	Amount (In Rs.)	Amount (In Rs.)
Opening Balance:			Fixed Assets Purchased		30,79,274
Bank	65,31,957		Investments in Fixed Deposits		6,75,00,000
Cash	4,43,380	69,75,337	Expenses on Object		
Corpus Donation Received:			FCRA Projects Expenses		1,63,66,236
Corpus Fund - FCRA	-		Other Programmes Expenses		
Corpus Fund - Others	-		Awareness Programme	31,72,383	
Donation Received:			Sustainable Livelihood Programme	2,25,000	
Donation - FCRA	93,62,775		Medical Programme	49,26,735	
Donation - Others	1,90,33,996	2,83,96,770	Social Welfare	27,01,414	
Maturity Of Fixed Deposits		7,25,00,000	Veterinary Programme	23,44,096	
Interest From			Wildlife Programme	89,54,616	2,23,24,244
Bank Deposits and Savings Accounts		1,68,52,204	Other Expenses		
On IT Refund (Net of TDS)		1,60,544	Administration Expenses	67,53,267	67,53,267
Reimbursements			Duties & Taxes Paid		6,68,613
Wildlife Institute of India			Deposits		66,000
World Wide Fund		1,65,470	Income Tax(Assets)		25,040
Insurance Claim			Prepaid Expenses		5,660
Training Receipt		3,50,436	Closing Balance:		
Income Tax Refund		2,67,556	Bank	88,16,951	
Other Receipts			Cash	2,14,106	90,31,057
Duties and Taxes		57,553			
Miscellaneous Income		93,520			
TOTAL		12,58,19,390	TOTAL		12,58,19,390

In terms of our report attached
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FIXED ASSETS 2016-2017

PARTICULARS	W.D.V as on 01.04.2016	ADDITION DURING THE YEAR			TOTAL ADDITION AS ON 31.03.2017	DEPRECIATION FOR THE YEAR			TOTAL DEPRECIATION AS ON 31.03.2017	W.D.V as on 31.03.2017
		MORE THAN 180 DAYS	LESS THAN 180 DAYS	TRANSFER/S ALE		MORE THAN 180 DAYS	LESS THAN 180 DAYS	TRANSFER/S ALE		
Land and Building	1,32,04,680	-	-	-	1,32,04,680	9,85,219	-	-	9,85,219	1,22,19,461
Plant and Machinery	35,24,062	12,80,829	15,23,482	-	63,28,373	8,87,926	1,26,886	-	10,14,813	53,13,560
Furniture and fixtures	4,95,370	2,580	29,474	-	5,27,424	52,119	1,474	-	53,593	4,73,831
Vehicles	61,23,910	9,88,300	54,609	-	71,66,819	10,66,832	4,096	-	10,70,928	60,95,891
Total Fixed Assets	2,33,48,022	22,71,709	16,07,565	-	2,72,27,296	29,92,096	1,32,456	-	31,24,553	2,41,02,743
Previous Year	2,21,37,346	3,87,728	35,93,602	-	2,61,18,676	24,81,295	2,89,389	-	27,70,684	2,33,48,022



STAFF REMUNERATION AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

STAFF REMUNERATION DETAILS 2016-2017

SLAB OF GROSS MONTHLY SALARY (IN ₹) PLUS BENEFITS PAID TO STAFF	MALE STAFF	FEMALE STAFF	TOTAL STAFF
≤ 2500	1	1	2
≤ 7000	11	3	14
≤ 15000	50	3	53
≤ 30000	11	5	16
≤ 50000	2	1	3
>/ 50000	5	0	5

DETAILS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

BY STAFF/VOLUNTEERS /BOARD MEMBERS AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ORGANIZATION IN 2016-2017

NAME & DESIGNATION OF STAFF/VOLUNTEER/ BOARD MEMBER	DESIGNATION	PURPOSE OF TRAVEL	COST INCURRED (RS.)	SPONSORED (RS.)
MR. KEDAR GORE	DIRECTOR	TO ATTEND THE IUCN WORLD CONSERVATION CONGRESS (WCC) 2016 AT HAWAII, USA	302,855	N.A.
MR. DEVESH GADHAVI	DEPUTY DIRECTOR, KUTCH DIVISION			

DETAILS OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS (TRUSTEES)

S.NO.	TRUSTEES	POSITION IN THE BOARD	RELATIONSHIP
1	MR. DILIP D. KHATAU	CHAIRMAN	
2	MRS. RINA DILIP KHATAU	CO-CHAIR	WIFE OF MR. DILIP D. KHATAU
3	MR. B. K. GOSWAMI	TRUSTEE	N.A.
4	DR. M. K. RANJITSINH	TRUSTEE	N.A.
5	MR. NIRMAL GHOSH	TRUSTEE	N.A.
6	MR. SAM MISTRY	TRUSTEE	N.A.
7	MR. SHARAD SANGHI	TRUSTEE	N.A.
8	MR. AKSHOBH SINGH	TRUSTEE	N.A.
9	MR. DARIUS UDWADIA	TRUSTEE	N.A.
10	MR. LAXMIKUMAR GOCULDAS	TRUSTEE	N.A.
11	DR. DIVYABHANUSINH CHAVDA	TRUSTEE	N.A.
12	MR. P. R. RAJKOTIA	TRUSTEE	N.A.

PARTNERS IN CONSERVATION

First and foremost, The Corbett Foundation would like to express its deepest gratitude to the Conservation Corporation of India Pvt. Ltd. (CCIPL) for its generous contribution towards the corpus fund that enables the Foundation to take up programmes and fulfill its objectives. The Corbett Foundation would also like to thank Infinity Resorts in Corbett, Kutch, Bandhavgarh, Kanha and Kaziranga for providing infrastructural support. The Corbett Foundation is grateful for the help and support extended by the employees of CCIPL and Infinity Resorts.

We thank all the 'Friends of TCF' and institutional donors, who have extended their wholehearted support to us. We also wish to extend our deep gratitude to national and international organizations and forest departments with whom we work in Uttarakhand, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Assam.

THE FOLLOWING DONORS EXTENDED THEIR VALUABLE SUPPORT TO THE CORBETT FOUNDATION IN 2016-2017.

FCRA Donation

SR. NO.	DONOR/GRANTEE	FOREIGN FUNDS	INR FUNDS	PURPOSE OF DONATION/GRANT
<i>Donation (Above INR 10,000)</i>				
1	Axis Bank Foundation		3,112,904	PUKAAR Sustainable Livelihoods Project
2	Born Free Foundation	GBP 4052	362,091	Tiger Conservation
3	Daryl Arakaki	USD 200	13,220	General Donation
4	Earthwatch Institute India		150,000	Citizen Science programme at Corbett
5	Friends of Conservation	GBP 3308.25	316,422	English tuition and for teaching material at Tala Govt. School, Bandhavgarh
6	Ketto Online Ventures Inc.		17,036	Flood Relief in Kaziranga
7	Manoj Majukar		11,120	General Donation
8	Sim MengWah		16,000	General Donation
9	The Coca-Cola Foundation	USD 60,494	4,089,401	Watershed Project
10	ToFTigers India Wildlife Association	GBP 2036	163,397	Village Wildlife Guardians Project
11	Vasanta Iyer		55,000	Solar lights for forest-watchers
12	World Wide Fund for Nature India		2,221,058	IRS Reimbursements, Corbett & Kanha
13	Zaf Khaja	USD 300	19,018	General Donation
14	Other Donations		23,966	General Donation
TOTAL FCRA DONATIONS: INR 10,570,633				



Non-FCRA Donation

SR. NO.	DONOR/GRANTEE	INR FUNDS	PURPOSE OF DONATION/GRANT
<i>Donation (Above INR 10,000)</i>			
1	Atul Ambavat	25,000	Wildlife Awareness Programme
2	Arun Mehta	10,000	General Donation
3	Bajaj Auto Limited	1,200,000	Bajaj Saksham Programme, Corbett & Kanha
4	Bombay Gow Rakshak Trust	500,000	Hydroponics unit in Kutch
5	Bombay Gow Rakshak Trust	2,500,000	Veterinary Programme
6	Bombay Gow Rakshak Trust	10,000,000	Hydroponics & Gauchar Development Project
7	Devaki Jariwala	51,000	Rural Medical Outreach Programme
8	DFO Balodabazar Forest Division	1,25,000	Skill Development & Capacity Building
9	Dr. AJT Johnsingh	10,000	Flood Relief at Kaziranga
10	Forest Department, Kutch Division	25,000	Vermicompost Workshop
11	Forest Department, Kutch Division	146,163	Rural Medical Outreach Programme, Kutch
12	Forest Department, Kutch Division	105,000	Spay-Neuter Project
13	Forest Department, Rajkot Division	442,750	Rampara Wildlife Sanctuary Survey Project
14	Gujarat Biodiversity Board	180,000	Constitution of Biodiversity Management Committee and assisting in preparing PBR
15	Hem Chand Mahindra Foundation	300,000	Flood Relief at Kaziranga
16	Hem Chand Mahindra Foundation	500,000	Flood Relief Highland in Kaziranga
17	Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited	750,000	Supporting GIB conservation programme
18	Kirloskar Pneumatic Company Limited	750,000	Supporting GIB conservation programme
19	Shailendra Rai	10,000	General Donation
20	Sheila Bulchandani	20,000	General Donation
21	Vikas Mahajan	10,134	Wildlife Conservation
22	Vikram Mehta	10,000	General Donation
23	World Memorial Fund, Delhi	42,000	TB Eradication Programme, Corbett
24	Other Donations	708246	General Donation
TOTAL NON-FCRA DONATIONS: INR 18,420,293			





THE CORBETT FOUNDATION TAKES THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONAL DONORS AND PARTNERS FOR SUPPORTING THE FOUNDATION'S PROGRAMMES SINCE 1994:

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The Corbett Foundation has appealed to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India for support from the Government of India to conserve the last remaining Great Indian Bustards in the Kutch. The upcoming GETCO power sub-station has an associated network of high-voltage power-lines and cables which are in dangerous proximity to GIB habitat and right at the height at which these critically endangered birds fly, putting the last few individuals on this planet at the risk of death by collision and electrocution. TCF has written consistently to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Hon'ble Minister of Forests, Environment and Climate Change, Members of Parliament, Superintendent Engineer of the concerned project and to print media urging them to do the needful in ensuring that mitigation

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measures and alternative solutions are implemented. Project proponents and other concerned agencies are invited to engage with TCF in understanding and factoring in the importance of the GIB, its conservation and the current circumstances at the site of such projects. Such communication will aid in structuring developmental plans in a way that benefits both the human community as well as the precious GIB. TCF hopes that the Government will offer its much needed support to ensure that the GIB is not only saved from extinction, but also that it thrives to remain one of nature's great gifts to our nation.



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