



Kalpavriksh Annual Report 2012-2013

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About Kalpavriksh

Beginnings

Kalpavriksh is a non-governmental organization working in the area of environment education, research, campaigns and direct action. It began in 1979, with a youth campaign to save Delhi's Ridge Forest area from encroachments and destruction. Starting with these roots in local action, Kalpavriksh has moved on to work on a number of local, national and global issues. Kalpavriksh is registered under the Societies Registration Act of 1980 (No. S-17439) and is based in Delhi and Pune.

Philosophy

Kalpavriksh believes that a country can develop meaningfully only when ecological sustainability and social equity are guaranteed, and a sense of respect for, and oneness with nature and fellow humans is achieved.

Governance

Kalpavriksh is a non-hierarchical organization. One of the working principles that emanated from the philosophy of the group, was a democratic decision making process. All decisions are taken in group meetings and based on group consensus.

Functioning

- a) **Core functions**, which include general administration, website administration, finance, accounts and publications. These activities are largely handled at the Pune office.
- b) **Projects and activities are related to the following themes:**
 - 1. Environment Education and Awareness
 - 2. Conservation and Livelihoods
 - 3. Environment and Development
 - 4. Urban environment

Annual General Body Meeting

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGBM) was held at Marnewadi, Pune on 21 and 22nd September 2012. Selection of the governing body (core group), the office bearers and financial auditor was done at this meeting.

Secretary: Neeraj Vagholikar

Treasurer: Pradeep Chavan

Core group: Vikal Samdariya, Prabhakar Rao, Meenakshi Kapoor, Anchal Sondhi, Neema Pathak Broome, Milind Wani, Sujatha Padmanabhan, Anuradha Arjunwadkar, Neeraj Vagholikar, Sharmila Deo, Shiba Desor, Pradeep Chavan

Auditors: Anita Limaye, Chartered Accountant, Pune





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1. ENVIRONMENT EDUCATION AND AWARENESS

Projects

- Programme at Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary
- Camps and Workshop at Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary, Arunachal Pradesh
- Environment Education in Kachchh
- Dissemination of Biodiversity Resource Kit "Ri Gyancha"

Programme at Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary

Coordinator: Sharmila Deo

Team: Purnima Phadke (volunteer), Chandrakant Langhi, Subhash Dolas (local educators)

Advisors: Sujatha Padmanabhan, Neema Pathak Broome

Year of commencement: April 2008

Year of completion: March 2013

Total funds sanctioned (for 5 yrs): Rs.18,94,583/

Funding agency: Concern India Foundation and Rufford Small Grant for Nature Conservation (RSG)

Kalpavriksh's Education programme at Bhimashankar was on since April 2008 in the Terungan and Tokawade Ashram schools. Two schools, one at Yelavali and one in Bhorgiri were added to the programme in 2010. This programme officially ended in March 2013. The main objectives of the programme were to instill in the village school children, the knowledge and appreciation of their rich natural biodiversity; encourage children to understand the importance of a harmonious co-existence between humans and wildlife; spread awareness on the issues of wildlife and the Sanctuary, and discuss possible solutions as well as plan steps for concrete action towards conservation with community participation. The content of the programme focused on the geographical, ecological, and cultural aspects of Bhimashankar, along with the basic concepts of the environment and biodiversity. The workshops had lectures, film screenings, slide shows, art and craft sessions, and two field trips.

In the past year, a total of 21 workshops took place in the four schools. The workshops were conducted independently by the local educators with very little monitoring from Kalpavriksh as planned as part of the exit strategy.

The work on the Marathi biodiversity handbook on the Western Ghats in Maharashtra (titled "*Sahyadri Nisargacha Anmol Theva*") for educators is near completion and the final draft has been circulated for comments. It is an attempt to support the teaching efforts made by teachers/educators working in this region and focuses on localized information related to the environment and biodiversity of the Western Ghats in Maharashtra. Efforts were made to search for funds for publishing of the handbook.



Camps and Workshop at Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary, Arunachal Pradesh

Coordinators: Sanjay Sondhi (Titli Trust) and Sujatha Padmanabhan

Team: Purpa (local nature guide at Eaglenest), Indi Glo (Member, Bugun Welfare Society)

Year of commencement:

Funds sanctioned: Funds were sanctioned to Bugun Welfare Society

Sujatha Padmanabhan was invited by Sanjay Sondhi to assist in conducting a one-day workshop for teachers as well as two four-day nature camps for children at Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary. The workshop and camps were funded by the Shergaon Forest Division and the organization was done with help from the Bugun Welfare Society, Ecosystems-India and Titli Trust.

The workshop for teachers was held on 4th September at Ramaling. 24 teachers from 5 schools nearby (four government schools and one Army school), Forest Department staff and members of the Bugun Welfare Society attended the workshop. The objective of the workshop was to orient the teachers to the rich biodiversity of Arunachal Pradesh with a focus on Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary. The workshop included presentations, outdoor activities, discussions and a field trip into Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary.

The two nature camps were held at Lama Camp from the 6th to the 12th of September. These were attended by 47 children and four teachers from four nearby schools. The camps included daily nature walks to observe birds and butterflies as well as moths, amphibians, mammals, reptiles and other arthropods, presentations, outdoor activities, story reading sessions and art and craft sessions.

A presentation ceremony to distribute certificates was held at Singchung on 12 September 2012 where the children shared their feedback and presented small skits, dances and songs to share their learning. The District Forest Officers of Eaglenest, Bomdila and Pasighat attended the presentation ceremony along with members of the Bugun Welfare Society.


Prior to these workshops, Sujatha finalized a handbook for teachers titled "Eaglenest Wildlife Sanctuary-A biodiversity paradise" by Sujatha Padmanabhan, Sanjay Sondhi and Navendu Page. This was published by Ecosystems-India. Material from this handbook was used to prepare information sheets for the children.

Environment Education in Kachchh

Team: Sujatha Padmanabhan with others from Sahjeevan (local NGO) and Khamir (local NGO) in Kachchh

Funds sanctioned: None. Costs of travel and stay were borne by Sahjeevan

A request was received from Sahjeevan for help in developing some basic Environment Education resources. Sujatha visited Kachchh from 14th to 22nd January 2013 for discussions with the team in Kachchh. As a result, an MoU was signed between Sahjeevan and Kalpavriksh where assistance would be provided in preparing a book for children based on the ecosystems in Kachchh as well as some additional educational material.



Sujatha revisited Kachchh from 20th to 26th February 2013 along with Sushama Durve who will do some of the illustrations. Sujatha worked on the text along with Shruthi Ramakrishna of Khamir.

Dissemination of biodiversity resource kit “Ri Gyancha”

Team: Sujatha Padmanabhan

Year of commencement: 2010

Year of completion: Ongoing

Funds sanctioned: No funds were used for this year’s activities.

Ri Gyancha is a biodiversity resource kit developed by Kalpavriksh as part of the Snow Leopard Conservation Education Programme (2010-12). This was shared with staff of The Tributary Fund which was developing a Snow Leopard Toolkit for monastic schools in Bhutan. They wrote to us in June 2013 seeking permission to reference/modify some of the Ri Gyancha activities for their Toolkit.

KV received an invitation to do some training based on Ri Gyancha in Kazakhstan. However the training, slotted for October 2012, had to be postponed due to unforeseen circumstances.

Other Meetings/workshops/lectures

1. A series of articles which focuses on nature was started in co-ordination with Deccan Herald for their School Students Newspaper Edition. The series has been titled “Magic Garden” and Kalpavriksh contributed two pieces a month. The first piece was published in June 2012 and 21 pieces were published till March 2013. This series is being coordinated by Sujatha.
2. The Conservation Education Network had its 5th Annual Retreat at Timbaktu from 12th to 13th August. This was attended by Sharmila, Yashodara, Sujatha and Sunita.
3. As a post conference event linked to the Society for Conservation Biology Asia, a one-day workshop “Rethinking Conservation Education” was organized in Bangalore by the Conservation Education Network. This was attended by Sharmila, Yashodara, Sujatha and Sunita (with Sunita being one of the main organisers).
4. A two hour session on ‘Trees’ was conducted by Sujatha on 16th Dec 2012 for children of the Landmark Garden Library.
5. Facilitating Youth Networks: KV were invited by Terre Des Hommes to facilitate Youth Networks in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Chhattisgarh. Sessions on Environmental Rights and Responsibilities were done by Pradeep Chavan in Karmala (Maharashtra) on 20th November 2012, in Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh) on 10th Dec 2012, in Raipur (Chhattisgarh) on 12th Dec 2012 and Nalsarovar (Gujarat) on 10th Jan 2013. Sessions included concepts of ecology and biodiversity, role of youth in conservation, and legal spaces for asserting ecological rights (with responsibilities).

On 22nd to 23rd of March 2013, Sujatha facilitated a workshop of the Madhya Pradesh Youth Network in Bhopal coordinated by NIWCYD *Bachpan*, the MP Chapter of the National Institute of Women, Child and Youth Development.. The focus here was to help youth who were from different villages/towns to plan village/slum level environment/biodiversity projects which the youth would carry out with support from local NGOs and *Bachpan*. The workshop included sessions on biodiversity, stories of youth in action, elements of project planning and village level planning sessions.





2. ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Projects

- Environment and Development Campaign
- Publication of the Study on Ecologically Sensitive Areas
- RTI Clearing House
- Research and Advocacy on Hydropower projects in Northeast India
- People's Sustainability Treaty on Radical Ecological Democracy

Environment and Development Campaign

Team: Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon, Meenakshi Kapoor, Vikal Samdariya

Year of commencement: 2011 (with the funds mentioned below).

Funds Received: Rs. 3,13,500/

Funding Agency: AID College Park

The ongoing support and advocacy on development and environment concerns continued during this period. Members of the team regularly coordinated on telephone and email with local groups and individuals on specific queries and strategy inputs.

Other than the policy and legal inputs to various Gol circulars and orders, the campaign provided technical and legal support in local specific issues in Bhadreswar, Kutch (Gujarat); Jagatsinghpur (Odisha) and Raoghat (Chhattisgarh). The Campaign team also wrote popular articles on these subjects and signed on to specific letters and petitions on various issues of concern related to environment and development in India.

Publication of the Study on Ecologically Sensitive Areas

Team: Kanchi Kohli, Meenakshi Kapoor and Manju Menon

Year of commencement: 2012

Funds Received: Rs.1,00,000/

Funding Agency: Duleep Mathai Trust

The follow-up study on Ecologically Sensitive Areas (ESAs) was published and disseminated during the year. The study was titled 'Kapoor, M., and Kohli, K. 2012. The Second Act: Centre-State Conversations on Ecologically Sensitive Areas (2009-2012), Kalpavriksh, NCR & 'The Duleep Matthai Nature Conservation Trust, Anand'.


RTI Clearing House

Team : Kanchi Kohli, Vikal Samdariya

Year of commencement: 2008

Funds Received:Rs. 2,65,042/

Funding Agency:AID Bay Area



KV members used India's Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005 to track environmental decision making processes at the central and state government level. Collected information was studied and results were shared with concerned groups and individuals across the country. The idea was to use this tool towards pushing the government towards greater transparency in environmental decision-making. Many of these required appeals to be filed at the highest authorities to procure relevant information, since the information did not arrive from the relevant agencies. During the year, 28 RTIs applications were filed, and follow up in the form of letters was done for another three.

Information was collected regarding implementation of Biodiversity Act (2002) from State Biodiversity Boards of all the states. This was analysed to underline the status of implementation of provisions of Biodiversity Act at local level.

Research and Advocacy on Hydropower Projects in Northeast India

Coordinator: Neeraj Vagholikar

Year of commencement: 2001

Funds sanctioned: None. The activities were undertaken on a voluntary basis during this period.

Kalpavriksh has been closely engaging with studying the social and environmental aspects of large dams in the ecologically and culturally sensitive Northeast of India since 2001. The current engagement on the issue of dams in Northeast India is being co-ordinated by Neeraj and involves support to local groups on environmental/social aspects of the issue and advocacy at the regional/national levels on the same. In the current year, the focus was primarily on: engagement with decision-making expert bodies on environment, forest and wildlife clearances of certain hydropower and dam projects in the Northeast; continued focus on downstream impacts of hydropower projects on communities and sensitive ecosystems in the Brahmaputra floodplains; social and ecological impacts of certain projects on high-altitude ecosystems in the Eastern Himalayas; and provision of technical support to enviro-legal advocacy by local groups on the same.

Neeraj contributed a piece on 'Dams and Threatened Birds in the Brahmaputra Floodplains' to the publication "*Threatened Birds of India- Their Conservation Requirement*" co-published by the Bombay Natural History in this period.


People's Sustainability Treaty on Radical Ecological Democracy

Coordinator: Ashish Kothari

Year of commencement: 2012

Funds sanctioned: No funds were received for this. The tasks were undertaken on a voluntarily.

A treaty on Radical Ecological Democracy was suggested by Ashish as part of an ongoing civil society process to negotiate 'People's Sustainability Treaties' (www.sustainabilitytreaties.org), for discussion and action at the Rio+20 conference. This involved drafting the Treaty, getting comments and endorsements from groups and individuals from various countries, preparing



events at Rio+20, discussing it there, and revising the Treaty based on feedback. (see <http://www.kalpavriksh.org/index.php/component/content/article/13-home/246-rio-20-updates-by-kalpavriksh.html>.)

Comments and inputs were also given to a number of other Treaties, such as on Agroecology; and to the network of Treaty circles linking to the Great Transition Initiative's Widening Circle process (<http://www.wideningcircle.org/index.htm>).

Landgrab by India in Ethiopia

Team: Ashish Kothari, Shiba Desor

Year of commencement: 2012

Funds sanctioned: USD 1000

Funding agency: Oakland Institute

KV worked with the Oakland Institute, INSAF, PEACE, and Council for Social Development to organize two consultations, called the Indian-Ethiopian Civil Society Summit on Land Investments, in New Delhi, February 6-7th, 2013. The events included a half-day dialogue with academics, researchers, former government officials and others, a press conference, and a full-day consultation with people's movements and civil society groups. Two Ethiopian activists, Nyikaw Ochalla (director of the Anywaa Survival Organization) and Obang Metho (Solidarity Movement for New Ethiopia), highlighted the social, ecological, and political problems created by investments in land (a polite term for landgrabbing) by Indian private companies, with indirect support by the Indian government. Indian activists drew a parallel with what is happening in the name of 'development' and globalisation in India, as mining, industries, ports, SEZs, and so on are grabbing land at a large scale. There were also discussions on how to maintain some level of solidarity amongst the movements. A Briefing Note was produced by KV, INSAF and PEACE, and two reports on the Ethiopian situation were released by the Oakland Institute. The press conference helped to gain coverage both in India and internationally; the Ethiopian colleagues were particularly pleased that they could speak to the Indian public and get some coverage for their struggles. The coverage and relevant documents are at <http://www.kalpavriksh.org/index.php/component/content/article/13-home/273-ethiopia-landgrab-events.html>.

Other Letters/Petitions/Endorsements

- Petition to Forest Advisory Committee of MoEF regarding review of forest clearance for the Rupsiyabagad Khasiyabada HE Project, Uttarakhand (21 May 2012)
- Asian Movements statement against the Green Economy (6 June 2012)
- Civil society statement against the UN Secy General's 'Sustainable Energy for All' initiative (8 June 2012)
- Citizens' statements against Koodankulam nuclear plant, September 2012 and January 2013

- Petition to Environmental Appraisal Committee on River Valley Projects, of MoEF, to review and cancel approval of Environment Clearance for the proposed 775 MW Luhri hydropower project on Sutlej River in Himachal Pradesh (January 28, 2013)





3. Conservation and Livelihoods (C&L)

Projects

- Future of Conservation (FoC), Wildlife Protection Act and Protected Area governance issues
- Research and Advocacy on the Forest Rights Act (FRA)
- Documentation, Advocacy and Ground Intervention in Maharashtra
- Exploring Joint Protected Area Management in Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra
- Conservation and Development Micro-planning for 15 villages towards co-existence of Humans and Wildlife in Yawal wildlife sanctuary
- Community Conserved Areas (CCA) in India
- Askot-Nandadevi Landscape Level Participatory Conservation
- Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas in East and South Asia
- CBD COP11, 6-21 October 2012
- Research and Advocacy on Biodiversity Act and Campaign for Conservation and
- Community Control over Biodiversity
- Publication and Outreach on Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- Protected Area Update (PA Update)
- Documentation and Outreach Centre for Community Based Biodiversity Conservation and Livelihood Security
- Indigenous Peoples and Community Conserved Areas Globally
- CBD Alliance

Future of Conservation (FoC), Wildlife Protection Act and Protected Area governance issues


Team: Ashish Kothari, Neema Pathak Broome and Shiba Desor

Year of commencement: 2006

Total funds sanctioned: None

Funding Agency: Action Aid (Rs. 7 lakhs for April to December 2012, Rs. 10 lakhs for February to December 2013), Misereor (supported production of policy brief on PAs and FRA), other activities were voluntary.

As one of the coordinators of the Future of Conservation Network, KV organized a National Consultation on 12-13 August 2012 on 'Implementation of Forest Rights Act (FRA) in Protected Areas: Status and Issues'. The Consultation was attended by community representatives, academics, civil society organizations, and conservationists. A report of the meeting has been prepared and shared with the participants and is available on the KV website. During the consultation, a press release was issued by the participants stating that the 'Supreme Court Order on Tiger Reserve Buffers Encourages Illegalities'. Following the press release, Kalpavriksh filed an intervention in the Supreme Court in the matter of Ajay Dubey vs. NTCA and Others. Kalpavriksh's intervention focuses on the absence of sufficient time and guidance for following



the legally mandated procedure of gram sabha consultations during notification of buffer zones of Tiger Reserves. KV has also been networking with other organizations in trying to ensure that legally mandated clauses of democratic consultation and exploring possibilities of co-existence are not neglected in the proceedings of the case. As a part of this process, a statement of comments has been drafted and submitted by KV along with other NGOs on the NTCA guidelines for ecotourism, buffers and cores. KV plans to extend this intervention to include, in greater detail, the issue of illegal notification of Tiger Reserves. To help with that, a study on violations in Tiger Reserves has been initiated in 2013, with support from ActionAid India. A study on local institutions for conservation in the post CFR scenario in Protected Areas and beyond is also being undertaken in 2013 under the same project.

A section on 'FRA in PAs' has been initiated in the PA Update from the August 2012 issue. This is supported by ActionAid India. A policy brief has been published by the Documentation centre on 'Applicability of FRA in PAs'. Kalpavriksh also organized a side event on 'PA Governance in India and the role of Forest Rights Act' in CoP at Hyderabad on 11th October 2012.

Research and Advocacy on the Forest Rights Act

Team: Ashish Kothari, Neema Pathak Broome, Shiba Desor


Others involved during this period: Milind Wani, Anuradha Arjunwadkar, Kanchi Kohli (related to study on FRA in coal mining areas), Meenal Tatpati (from February 2013 onwards)

Year of commencement: 2007

Total funds sanctioned: Rs. 3,60,000 (Vasundhara), Rs 1,00,000 (Greenpeace)

Funding agency: Vasundhara (routing funds from Oxfam India); ActionAid India (work on FRA-PA interface, funds mentioned in the earlier header), Greenpeace India and several activities voluntary.

There has been continued focus on advocacy and understanding of the provisions of Forest Rights Act, with a specific focus on Community Forest Rights. The Community Forest Rights Learning and Advocacy (CFRLA) process has been particularly active in discussions and advocacy since the formation of a google group (cfr-la@googlegroups.com) in June 2012. This is part of a larger project on CFR learning and advocacy which had been initiated by Kalpavriksh and Vasundhara with support from Oxfam in December 2011. There has also been regular advocacy with MoTA through letters and meetings on FRA related issues both at the organization level, and through the network. As a part of the project, a learning workshop on CFRs in Bhubaneswar on 2-4 November 2012 and a national level CFR consultation in Delhi was organized on 16-17 March 2013. The National Report on Community Forest Rights 2012 has been printed and disseminated to network members and contributors. The 2013 Citizen's report on CFRs has also been finalised. For the 2013 Citizen's report, KV was responsible for overall compilation and a national review on implementation of CFRs as well as coordination and contribution to detailed case studies on Baiga Chak (Madhya Pradesh), Rajasthan, Maharashtra and BRT Wildlife Sanctuary in Karnataka.



Inputs and advice were provided for facilitation and better implementation of FRA to various grass root level organisations such as Sahjeevan (Kachchh), Khoj (Melghat Tiger Reserve) and Himal Prakriti (Uttarakhand). This has been done through correspondence and through participation in meetings organized by these organisations on site-specific issues related to FRA implementation.

A short-term project was undertaken with Greenpeace- India to assess the potential of CFRs against the rampant coal mining proposals by the government. This included field visits to the Mahan area, Singrauli, in MP, and background analysis of CFR provisions. Based on this, a report labelled 'Countering Coal' had been finalized, and was released at the CBD COP11 in October. As a follow up to this, a more in-depth study on 'Assertion of CFRs for a more democratic forest governance' has been initiated in February 2013 with Greenpeace- India and Vasundhara which will document cases from Odisha, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh. The use of the National Green Tribunal will also be documented.

A note on conflicts and complementarities at the interface of forest laws with respect to FRA is being finalized. The preparation of the note was supported by Action Aid India 2012 project. The note tried to take forward discussions on contradictions in forest laws which had been initiated by WWF in Bharatpur in 2010.

Documentation, Advocacy and Ground Intervention in Maharashtra


Team: Neema Pathak Broome

Year of commencement : 2012

Total funds sanctioned: None. Travel and local expenses supported by local partners and through KV projects on FRA

A workshop titled 'Community Forest Rights (CFRs) under the Forest Rights Act 2006: Status, Trends and Way ahead' was organised by the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) with support from Kalpavriksh, Vidarbha Livelihoods Forum and Vrikshamitra, at YMCA, Colaba, Mumbai on the 21st and 22nd of January 2013. The workshop was attended by about 60 participants representing gram sabhas where CFR titles have been given, gram sabhas where the claims have been filed but titles have not been received, civil society groups and individuals working with such gram sabhas and/or issues emerging during the implementation of the Forest Rights Act, academics interested in the issue and government officials directly concerned with the implementation of the Act.

From among the government representatives Shri Ramesh Chandra Sagar, Principal Secretary, Tribal Development, Government of Maharashtra, attended the first and the last sessions. Tribal Commissioner Shri S. M. Sarkunde and Deputy Commissioner Shri Girish Deshmukh (representing the nodal agency for implementation of the Act in Maharashtra) and Shri Vikas Kulkarni, Deputy Director, Rajbhavan attended the entire duration of the workshop. Also, Shri. Swadheen Kshatriya, Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Forest; and Shri Praveen Pardeshi, Principal Secretary, Revenue and Forest joined in the discussions in the concluding session.



The discussions included an update on the implementation from different districts focusing first on areas where the implementation of the CFR provisions is extremely slow; status of implementation in special areas such as Protected Areas, and for special communities such as the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Communities (PTGs) and pastoralist communities; and issues related to governance, management, benefits, etc that are emerging in areas where the titles have already been distributed and gram sabhas are taking charge of their CFRs.

The participants came up with concrete and specific actions that are required at local, sub-state and state level to ensure effective implementation of the Act and support to villages which have received CFR titles. The participants also felt a need for an informal NGO learning and advocacy network in the state. Kalpvriksh was requested to informally coordinate the activities of this group for a year. Kalpvriksh agreed to take on the responsibility with the help of Vidharba Livelihood Forum and Vrikshamitra, who were also the co-organisers of this meeting. Since then a mailing list has been put together and regular exchanges are taking place.

A state level update on CFR situation in Maharashtra was also compiled by Neema along with Milind Thatte of Vayam for the 2013 Citizen's report.

Exploring Joint Protected Area Management in Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra

Team: Neema Pathak Broome, Pradeep Chavan, Milind Wani and Meenal Tatpati


Year of commencement: September 2006

Total funds sanctioned: No funds from Jan-Oct 2011. From November 2011 onwards Rs. 3,54,000 has come from Misereor Foundation for Local Legal and Governance Capacity Building in Bhimashankar as part of a larger project on Documentation and Outreach. Travel, communication and one part time salary are covered by these funds.

Funding agency: Misereor

Through the year, there were regular meetings in the village to discuss the various activities taken up with the funds received as part of the village eco-development scheme (although the forest staff could not be present for all those meetings). This has created an environment of trust and unity in the village, villagers feel well informed about all the funding that came in, and the manner in which it was spent, instead of a few in the community taking all decisions and getting all benefits. In addition, a diversity of activities taken up have also been quite encouraging for the villagers. Through the summer, the villagers were engaged in various activities as mentioned below, providing a regular source of income:

Village ecotourism and Construction of an eco-lodge. The ecolodge built by the villagers to start eco-tourism in their village was inaugurated by the Forest Secretary Maharashtra on 6th December 2012. Villagers have been using the premises for running their school (for which there was no building), while waiting for tourists. Tourism has not yet commenced in a big way mainly because of lack of water before monsoons.



Ban on hunting by outsiders. Villagers have completely stopped hunting and in a few instances have stopped people from outside doing hunting within their forests. They have informed the surrounding villages about their committee and its efforts and sought assurance from them that they will not hunt in Yelavali forests.

A training programme on Community Biodiversity Register, Eco-guides and hospitality was organised in June 2012 and villagers showed much enthusiasm for this activity. This session was conducted by our team, and outside experts including, village youth from Akole taluka who was part of the team doing similar work in their own village. Sessions were also taken by Dharamraj from WOTR, Girish Punjabi and Prerna Agarwal. The villagers were inspired to see village youth as resource people and the confidence with which they conducted the session. The villagers have now formed teams to work on the register.

A training programme on "being nature guides" was also organised with the help of outside experts. Villagers participated with great enthusiasm.

A training programme on medicinal plant nursery preparation, cultivation, medicine making and marketing was conducted on the 27th and 28th of August 2012 at J.E. Farm medicinal plant nursery, Pune by Vivek Gour Broome (Medicinal Plants Expert) and Dr. Rahu Saraf (Ayurvedic doctor).

Purchases were made under the eco-development project. Villagers have purchased some kitchen material, tents, cameras and binoculars for the eco-lodge. 15 energy efficient water boilers for household use have been bought and energy efficient chullahs have been ordered. Five sign posts to be put up on 5 roads leading to the village (with information on the VEDC and its rules) have been made. Three street solar lamps and two solar charged search lights to be used for night trails for tourists have been purchased. A computer has been purchased which will be transported to the village once the rains ease off and the VEDC office has been completed. There are many groups now inquiring to come to the village and we are in a process of facilitating a tie up directly with the villagers.

Desilting of some water bodies has been done ensuring water supply for village livestock as well as wild animals.

Conservation and Development Micro-planning for 15 villages towards co-existence of Humans and Wildlife in Yawal wildlife sanctuary


Coordinator: Neema Pathak Broome

Others involved: Meenal Tatpati

Year of commencement: 2013

Total funds sanctioned: Voluntary. Travel and local expenses were supported by local partners and from KV projects on FRA)

As a follow up of the Maharashtra state consultation on CFRs, Lok Sangharsha Morcha (LSM), a *Jan Andolan* towards establishing rights of tribal and other forest dependent communities



working in conflict ridden area of Yawal wildlife sanctuary, approached Kalpavriksh early in 2013 to work towards a conservation and development plan in the villages in and around Yawal. As a result, on the 19th and 20th of March 2013, a workshop on “Process of documentation of Community Biodiversity Registers” was organized at Pal by LSM in association with Kalpavriksh and Centre for Environment Education (CEE). As a future course of action it was decided to take up a biodiversity documentation and conservation planning in Jamanya village inside the sanctuary.

Community Conserved Areas in India

Coordinator: Neema Pathak Broome

Team: Ashish Kothari, Milind Wani

Year of commencement: 2000

Year of completion: Ongoing

Total funds sanctioned: Voluntary

Specific legal and other inputs were made to a few CCAs in Assam including on some specific actions that they needed to undertake. Support was extended to Mendha-Lekha in its struggle to gain control over bamboo in their community forest. Contacts were re-established with CCAs in Nagaland, and discussions are ongoing for possible support for management planning in one of the CCA clusters.

Askot-Nandadevi Landscape Level Participatory Conservation

Team: Ashish Kothari and Neema Pathak Broome

Year of commencement: 2010

Total funds sanctioned: Voluntary. Travel and other expenses provided by the local groups and Wildlife Institute of India

The report of the consultation conducted in March 2012 was prepared and circulated for action

Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas in East and South Asia

Coordinator: Neema Pathak Broome

Team: Ashish Kothari, Seema Bhatt, Persis Taraporevala, Partners from the South Asian countries.

Year of commencement: 2011

Year of completion: 2014

Total funds sanctioned/remaining: US\$ 4500 per year towards coordinators' salary and KV expenses from (October 2011 to September 2014)

Tasks achieved under this project are:

- Finalisation of the publication on CCAs in South Asia.
- Submission of a report on CBD Technical Series on Recognizing and Supporting ICCAs – A case study from India

- Submission to Natural Justice, An Analysis of the Effects of International, Regional and National Laws, Judgments and Institutional Frameworks on Indigenous Peoples' Territories and Community Conserved Areas (ICCAs) – India Report
- Preparation towards the Conference of Parties 11 of the Convention of Biological Diversity
- A google group discussion forum for those involved with CCAs in South Asia and India is under preparation
- Many South Asian members have been nominated as ICCA Consortium members

CBD COP11, 6-21 October 2012

Team: Ashish Kothari, Neema Pathak Broome, Shiba Desor, Persis Taraporevala, Seema Bhatt .

Year of commencement: 2012

Funds: Rs. 3,00,000

Funding agency: National Biodiversity Board

This was by far KV's most active CBD COP, both because it was in India, and because it had many more activities organised by networks that KV is part of. Following are the activities we were engaged in:


India-related events

- Side event on Protected Area governance focusing on India's performance in implementing the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas, and on the Forest Rights Act; organised by KV. (11 October, 2012)
- Side event on traditional knowledge of marginalized communities (dalits in India, similar ethnic groups in Japan); organised by the National Centre for Dalit Human Rights and Japanese groups, chaired by KV. (11 October, 2012)
- Presentation on Forest Rights Act in India and its role in achieving CBD goals at IPs and LC participation in Protected Area governance. (12 October, 2012)
- Daily morning meetings of Indian NGOs (which KV initiated and was present for every day though response of many other groups was patchy!)
- Joint statements (and press releases/conferences) with other groups on economic growth vs. biodiversity, and destructive developments on the coast, including:

[India's Economic Policies are Destroying Biodiversity and Livelihoods; Commitments Under CBD are Not Being Met](#), Joint Statement by Indian NGOs, 16 October 2012

[India's Rivers are Drying, Fresh Water Biodiversity being Destroyed, and People Seriously Threatened from Mega Hydro-electric Projects - Can CBD help? 12 Oct 2012](#)

[Press Release- Marine Coastal Conservation, Statement by Indian NGOs, 9 Oct 2012](#)



Press release on the Prime Minister's doublespeak in his presentation to the COP11, [Press Release](#) (16 October, 2012)

- Release of KV-Greenpeace India report on coal mining and community forest rights, [Halt violation of human rights in forests](#) (15 October, 2012)
- Articles in CBD Alliance newsletter *ECO*, on various aspects of India's performance relating to CBD, Participation in human chain formed *outside* COP11 venue by youth from Hyderabad and elsewhere.
- Letter to the Indian Prime Minister from international groups urging that Forest Rights Act implementation be expedited.

Asia related events

- Side event on ICCAs in South and East Asia, with partners from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, Taiwan; organised by KV and others. (9 October, 2012)
- Presentation on ICCAs in South Asia-Main emerging issues. (9 October 2012)
- Release of KV publication 'Community Conserved Areas in South Asia: Case studies and analyses from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka'. (at above event)
- Informal discussion on follow up ICCA activities in the region.

Global events (Mostly as part of ICCA Consortium)

- Participation in CBD Alliance newsletter *ECO*'s editorial board.
- Participation in daily morning meetings of CBD Alliance.
- Coordination of civil society response to the official agenda paper on Programme of Work on Protected Areas Co-organising and/or participation in side events and workshops on ICCAs. (including on ICCA Recognition and Support, ICCA laws, ICCAs and NBSAPs)
- Release of KV coordinated study-based publication on ICCA Recognition and Support, published by CBD Secretariat, [Recognising and Supporting Conservation by Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities](#) (October 13, 2012)
- Press conference on the above publication, with CBD Secretariat.
- Keynote address on ICCA Recognition globally, and presentation on India case study, at Colloquium on Role of ICCAs in Achieving the Aichi Targets, organised by CBD Secretariat, ICCA Consortium, and others.
- Discussions around the Natural Justice-KV publication on ICCA Laws, Participation in ICCA Consortium's General Assembly (which KV helped organize at DDS)
- ICCA Consortium members' visit to Deccan Development Society facilitated by KV. (October 20-22, 2012)
- KV publications were sold/displayed at various events, and at the People's Biodiversity Festival running parallel to the COP11.
- 3-4 discussions on Globalisation and Radical Ecological Democracy, using the KV brochure on this and the book *Churning the Earth*.



Research and Advocacy on Biodiversity Act and Campaign for Conservation and Community Control over Biodiversity

Coordination: Kanchi Kohli (with Shalini Bhutani, Lawyer and Independent Researcher)

Year or commencement and completion: Ongoing for campaign and research related activities; January 2012-January 2013 for Study on ABS (Swissaid); April 2012 onwards for BMC Study by GGF; October 2012 to September 2012 by Foundation for Ecological Security (FES)

Total funds sanctioned: US\$: 5076 for BMC Study by Global Green Grants Fund; Rs.3,35,000 from BMC Study by FES; Rs.2265,000 For ABS Study, Fliers and related research by Swissaid

Funding agencies: Global Greengrants Fund, Swissaid and Foundation for Ecological Security

Tasks achieved by the Campaign are:

- **Study on Biodiversity Management Committees:** A one year long study funded by FES which linked the issue of commons, common property resources and how they relate to Biodiversity Management Committees constituted under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 was completed in September 2012 and disseminated widely. The study was titled “Common Concerns” This was based on field visits to various State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs), Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) as well as information gathered through Right to Information and analysed.
- **Study on Access and Benefit Sharing and four thematic fliers:** This study was initiated in January 2012 to understand more deeply the issue of Access and Benefit Sharing in the Indian context, its implications and how it is being interpreted as well as implemented under the Biological Diversity (BD) Act, 2002. It required field visits to sites where the BD Act is at different stages of implementation and as well as extensive discussions with people working at the level of National Biodiversity Authority (NBA), SBBs and BMCs. The study also drew from the international processes around ABS and how it was discussed during the 11th Conference of Parties under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). The final study on the issue titled “The Balancing Act” was published in both English and Hindi along with four thematic fliers on forests, marine, livestock and agricultural diversity. Most of these were disseminated by March-April 2013 and the rest is ongoing.
- **Tracking implementation:** The team members in collaboration with GRAIN and other members of the campaign continued tracking implementation of the Biodiversity Act (BDA), initiated several years back. This primarily involved information collection and analysis around functioning of the National Biodiversity Authority, State Biodiversity Boards and various committees set up under the BDA. Efforts were also made to look at the process of setting up of local level Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs). Related processes like the Indian Biodiversity Information System, Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS), and types and process of approvals granted by the NBA, were also looked at.



This information and analysis was regularly posted on an electronic listserve coordinated by Kalpavriksh, called BioDwatch. The Right to Information Act was used to seek new information to support advocacy and research.

- ***Regular response to queries and requests for help on the BDA as well as technical inputs on by the Campaign:*** Team members regularly responded to email and telephonic queries on the BDA implementation and implications both by civil society groups as well as State Biodiversity Boards on various subjects. We also sent support letters on behalf of the campaign for the declaration of a Biodiversity Heritage Site in Medak, Andhra Pradesh. The campaign also regularly sent comments on guidelines and documents released by the NBA on BMCs, ABS and other related subjects.
- ***Participation in the Indian NGO Forum on CBD (INFC).*** As a build-up to the international conferences of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in India, several regional and thematic meetings on biodiversity, law and ABS-related issues were organised by INFC in different parts of the country. Kalpavriksh and the Campaign were able to contribute to these efforts and also realised in the process that every such meeting brought up several concerns about the ABS regime as well the implementation of the BD Act. *(details of some meetings attended and where content collaboration was substantial is in the section on meetings and events)*

Publication and Outreach on Andaman and Nicobar Islands

Coordinator: Pankaj Sekhsaria

Year of Commencement: 1998

Funds sanctioned: Nil

The activity ongoing under this project is the co-ordination and moderating of the andamanicobar yahooogroup

Protected Area Update (PA Update)

Coordinator: Pankaj Sekhsaria

Year of commencement: 1994


Funding: Project Budget for April 2012 to March 31, 2013 – Rs. 7,00,000, Rs. 3,00,000. by the Foundation for Ecological (FES), Rs. 1,00,000 by WWF –India, Rs. 1,00,000 by IBCN, BNHS, Rs. 40,000 by Action Aid India, Rs. 70,000 were raised through donations and subscriptions.

The following issues were produced, printed and disseminated during this reporting period:

PA Update Vol XVIII No. 3, June 2012 (No. 97)

PA Update Vol XVIII No. 4, August 2012 (No. 98)

PA Update Vol XVIII No. 5, October 2012 (No. 99)



PA Update Vol XVIII No. 6, December 2012 (No. 100)

PA Update Vol XIX No. 2, February 2013 (No. 101)

PA Update Vol XIX No. 3, April 2013 (No. 102)

Documentation and Outreach Centre for Community Based Biodiversity Conservation and Livelihood Security

Coordinator: Milind Wani

Team: Pradeep Chavan, Subhash Dolas, Vikal Samdariya, Anuradha Arjunwadkar, Govind Khalsode

Advisory Team: Neema Pathak Broome, Pankaj Sekhsaria, Seema Bhatt.

Advisors and Associates (External): Kumar Shiralkar (Rashtriya Adivasi Adhikar Manch), Budhaji Damse (Shaswat).

Year of Commencement: November 2011.

Year of Completion: October 2014.

Total Funds Sanctioned: 79,100 Euros.

Funding Agency: Misereor

The tasks undertaken during this reporting period were the following:

- Publishing of the newsletter and policy briefing notes.
 - Three issues of “People in Conservation”
 - Special Issue on COP-11 (June 2012)
 - Special issue on Conservation Reserves and Community Reserve (Oct 2012)
 - Special Issue on CFR (March 2013)
- Two policy briefs on:
 - Applicability of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 also called The Forest Rights Act (FRA) To Protected Areas (PAs) (June 2012)
 - Exploring the role of FRA within the processes of Forest Diversion under FCA (March 2013)
- Facilitating an Eco-tourism model of livelihood generation at Yelavali in Bhimashankar Wild Life Sanctuary.
- Organizing training programmes for local institutions, line agency functionaries and village representatives on provisions and potential of Forest Rights Act 2006, Wildlife Protection Act, Right to Information Act, and Panchayat Extension to Scheduled Areas Act (PESA). Training programmes were also organised for Yelavali villagers on the Ecodevelopment Government Resolution, Ecotourism, Being Nature Guides, Preparing Community Biodiversity Registers and Hospitality.

- Participation in State level consultation on CFR in January 2013. Kalpavriksh was one of the co-organizers along with the Tata Institute of Social Science, Vidarbha Nature Conservation Society and Vrikshamitra.
- Organizing meetings (February 2013) in Dimbe with various NGOs and forging a civil society forum to work on FRA-CFR issues in and around Bhimashankar Wild Life Sanctuary.
- Meetings with state officials from various departments (Forest, Tribal, and Revenue) at district level for facilitating the implementation of CFRs in and around Bhimashankar Wild Life Sanctuary.
- Working towards the publication of a book on Lizards. A print copy of the book 'Lizards of Maharashtra' should have been ready in July. Unfortunately the process has been delayed and the book is still under production.
- Bhimashankar Conservation & Livelihood/ Capacity Building Programme: A training programme was organized and conducted by Kalpavriksh at Bhorgiri village, Khed Taluka on the role of panchayats in strengthening biodiversity conservation and local livelihoods. Participants included members of three panchayats, gram sevaks, villagers and civil society organizations working in the area.

Indigenous Peoples and Community Conserved Areas Globally

Coordinator: Ashish Kothari

Team: Aurelie Neumann (intern)

Year of commencement: ongoing since late 1990s

Year of completion: ongoing (2012 for ICCA Recognition study)

Funding agencies: ICCA Consortium and The Christensen Fund

Total funds sanctioned (for 2012-13): Rs. 5,33,906

The tasks undertaken under this project were the following:

ICCA Recognition and Support study: KV coordinated a global study and publication on how Indigenous Peoples and Local Community Conserved Territories and Areas (ICCAs) are being recognized and supported, the gaps in this, and ways to fill these gaps. This included 19 country level case studies, which were edited; and a global overview based on these case studies, previous material on ICCAs, and the parallel study on ICCA laws by Natural Justice.

These and other relevant resource material (including photographs) were prepared for publication by the CBD Secretariat, for release at the CBD COP11 in October. The book (listed under Publications) was published and released by the Executive Secretary, CBD, at the CBD COP11, along with a full-day symposium on ICCAs, in conjunction with the ICCA Consortium, CBD Secretariat, Natural Justice, and other partners.

Inputs were given to the parallel study on ICCA laws, and a policy brief covering both that study and this one, was co-authored (listed under Publications)



ICCA Consortium: Ashish is on the Steering Committee of the ICCA Consortium, a global alliance of indigenous peoples, local communities, and civil society organizations working in/on ICCAs, of which KV was a founder. Activities included preparations for and events at Rio+20 conference (Rio de Janeiro, June 2012), preparations for and events at the CBD COP11 (Hyderabad, October 2012), participation in the Consortium AGM (Pastapur, October 2012), preparations for participation at the Asian Parks Congress (Japan, November 2013), and drafting of proposals to coordinate the governance stream of 6th World Parks Congress (2014).

ICCA Extent and Numbers: Following up on the study and report on ICCA Recognition and Support (see above), a process to estimate the numbers and extent of ICCAs around the world has been initiated. Coordination of this is on a voluntary basis, on behalf of the ICCA Consortium. The outputs of this are not yet certain, perhaps a brief note to feed into various global forums.

ICCAs and Aichi Targets: Preparation of a briefing paper has been initiated, voluntarily on behalf of the ICCA Consortium, on the contribution of ICCAs to the 20 biodiversity targets decided by the CBD COP10 in 2010 (called 'Aichi Targets'). This paper is to be finalized by late 2013.

ICCAs and PAs: Preparation of a briefing paper has been initiated, voluntarily on behalf of the ICCA Consortium, by a few members including Kalpavriksh members. This paper is to be finalized by early 2014.

CBD Alliance

Coordinator: Ashish Kothari

Others: Sheetal Joshi (accounts in-charge)

Year of commencement: 2007

Year of completion: ongoing

Total funds sanctioned (2012): 500,000 SEK (the funds received were meant exclusively for the activities of the Alliance, with only 10% being earmarked for KV as overheads)

The regular accounting, fund transfers, and other activities as part of KV's responsibility as the financial host of the CBD Alliance, were carried out. Preparations were made for the CBD COP11, and members participated in the Alliance's activities at this Conference.

Other activities:

Comments/inputs to

- Snow Leopard landscape management planning guidelines by Nature Conservation Foundation and others, July (Ashish, Shiba)
- Note on semi-arid grassland conservation for Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board, by Pramod Patil, July (Ashish)
- Draft National Biodiversity Targets, prepared by National Biodiversity Authority (Ashish)
- Kerala Environment Commission programme and proposals, to V.S. Vijayan (Ashish)

- Briefing notes by CBD Alliance for CBD COP11 (Ashish)
- FRA training modules developed by Vasundhara (Ashish)
- Protected Area Governance Assessment handbook being produced by IUCN, ICCA Consortium, GIZ, etc. (Ashish)
- *The Living Convention*, compendium of international laws on indigenous issues by Natural Justice (Ashish)
- Toolkit for ICCAs, by World Conservation Monitoring Centre and others (Ashish, Neema)
- Note on ICCAs and Sacred Natural Sites, by Bas Verschuuren (Ashish)
- Coordination of joint NGO memorandum (through BNHS) regarding CBD COP11 issues to Minister of Environment and Forests, 21 November 2012 (Ashish, Neema)



4. Urban Environment

(Team: Prabhakar, Vikal, Ajay Mahajan)

- KV is an official member of the Tree Authority, constituted under the The Delhi Preservation Of Trees Act, 1994. The Urban Environment team took up issues relating to compensatory plantations during this year. It was ascertained that land is not available for compensatory plantations.
- The Forest Department has accepted KV's suggestion to convert parks all over Delhi that are in a neglected condition into tree lots.
- There is an ongoing case in the National Green Tribunal in which the judges have taken a stringent attitude towards the municipalities on the matter of concretisation of pavements. The next hearing is on the 8th August. Municipalities are busy deconcretising trees before this date. KV proposes to officially become a co-petitioner in this case to raise the issue of impacts of the deconcretising on trees.
- KV arranged for a meeting of likeminded people when a representative from Nizhal (an NGO in Chennai) was visiting Delhi. As a result, 'Compassionate Living' has initiated an e-group to bring tree lovers from all metros together on one platform.





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Part C: Chronology of Events (meetings/talks/presentations/field trips)

April 2012

- 9-11:** Yelavali village visit for having meeting on planning of construction of Eco-lodge (Pradeep)
- 10:** Presentation for forest staff on the role of local people in conservation and conservation policies at Yashada as part of the JFM training of trainers of the Forest Department (Neema)
- 17:** Meeting with the Block Development officer (BDO), Rajgurunagar Panchayat Samiti to seek their help to organize capacity building training programme. (Pradeep & Neema)
- 19-23:** Yelavali visit regarding follow up of the Eco-Village Development (EVD) activities (Pradeep & Milind Wani)
- 14- 15:** Meeting on 'Water Beyond Borders' organised by Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment (LIFE) and Environics Trust, Delhi. (Neeraj)
- 21:** Presentation on Radical Ecological Democracy at National Consultation on Common Property Resources, organised by various groups, Delhi (Ashish)
- 22:** Presentation on Globalisation and Radical Ecological Democracy to 'Young Leaders' course by Georgetown University at Doha (through skype) (Ashish)
- 24-25:** Participation and content inputs in *"PEOPLE'S AGRO BIODIVERSITY CONSULTATION"* coorganised by Deccan Development Society and INFC in Pastapur, Andhra Pradesh (Kanchi)
- 26:** Visit to Chhoti Haldwani, Uttarakhand, for update on community ecotourism initiative (Ashish)
- 27-29:** Coordination of birdwatching camp, organised by Uttarakhand Forest Department, Maheshkhan, Uttarakhand (Ashish)
- 27-29:** Bhimashankar & Yelavali vis-à-vis EVD follow up & meeting with forest staff (Pradeep)
- 30-2 May:** Visit to Chirag, Uttarakhand, to understand their work in various villages (Ashish)

May 2012

- 1-2:** Visit to Chirag, Uttarakhand, to understand their work in various villages (Ashish)
- 6:** Work on Environmental Flows co-organised by Aaranyak and River Research Centre, Kerala in Guwahati (Neeraj)

- 8:** Yelavali EVDC meeting (Pradeep)
- 7-8:** Participation in the Annual event of Melghat Janadhikar Sansad where CFR titles were granted to some villages around Melghat Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra (Shiba, Aurelie).
- 9-11:** Yelavali & Kharpud village meetings regarding Forest Rights Act (FRA) and EVD follow up (Pradeep)
- 14-16:** Yelavali regular visit for follow up of the planned activities (Pradeep)
- 19-20:** Yelavali & kharpud village meetings vis-a-vis FRA (Neema, Pradeep, Milind, & Shiba)
- 26:** Yelavali Eco-village development committee meeting (EVDC) (Neema & Pradeep)


June 2012

- 13-22:** Preparatory meetings; UN Conference on Sustainable Development ('Rio+20'); presentations and participation at events at Peoples' Summit, People's Sustainability Treaty circles, and ICCA Consortium; and coordination of Indian NGOs open letter to the Prime Minister (Ashish)
- 19-21:** Organised training programme on ecotourism, nature guide and documenting local biodiversity at Yelahavalli village, Bhimashankar (Neema, Pradeep, Shiba)
- 26:** Meeting with Minister for Tribal Affairs, on FRA implementation (Shiba, Ashish)

July 2012


Participation in the Open-ended Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Committee for the Nagoya Protocol on ABS (ICNP2), in July 2012, in New Delhi (Shalini Bhutani)

- 6:** Presentation on Rio+20 outcomes, Open Space, Pune (Ashish)
- 12:** Visit to field sites of Kagad Kach Patrak Kashtakari Panchayat and Swach cooperative, Pune and PCMC (Ashish, Sujatha, Neema, Shiba)
- 9:** Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board meeting at Bharti Vidyapeeth, Pune (Neema)
- 16-17:** Presentation on ICCAs, at Conference on Restoring Forest in Human-Dominated Landscapes of Wet Evergreen Region, South Asia, organised by ELTI Yale University, Peradeniya, Sri Lanka (Ashish)
- 16-23:** Community Conserved Areas in Nagaland: Meeting organised by Foundation for Ecological Security and NEPED, Nagaland at Kohima (Neema)
- 17:** Meeting with Mr. Bharat Bhushan, YASHADA, Pune on organizing training at Bhimashankar (Neema, Milind & Pradeep)

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- 19:** Presentation on 'development' to students of Moratuwa University, at Sinharaja reserve, Sri Lanka (Ashish)
 - 21:** Presentation on Globalisation, Rio+20, and Peoples' Sustainability Treaties in Colombo, Sri Lanka (Ashish)
 - 21-22:** Yelavali regular follow up visit (Pradeep)
 - 27:** Presentation on forest-related issues at seminar on India's Climate Policy: Where do we go from here?, Delhi (Ashish)
 - 31:** Participation in consultation on National Biodiversity Targets, organised by National Biodiversity Authority, Delhi (Ashish)

August 2012

- 1:** Meeting with Mr. M.K.Rao, Chief Conservator Forest, Wildlife, Pune Division regarding financial support for ecotourism in Yelavali village under Village Ecodevelopment Programme of the Forest Department (Neema & Pradeep)
- 3:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives, Fergusson College, Pune (Ashish)
- 1-3:** Two Paper Presentations at the Indigenous Knowledge Forum organised by University of Technology, Sydney (UTS). The topics were *"The Regulatory Design for People's Knowledge Protection in India's Biodiversity Regime"* and *Adivasi"* and *The People: Indigeneity Debates in India* (Kanchi Kohli)
- 4:** Presentation at release of book *Churning the Earth: The Making of Global India*, and panel discussion, organised by KV with other groups (Ashish)
- 7:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at Mumbai University and Tata Institute of Social Sciences (Ashish)
- 9-10:** Yelavali regular follow up visit (Pradeep)
- 12-13:** National Consultation on Protected Areas and Forest Rights Act, organised by KV and others as Future of Conservation Network (Shiba, Neema, Ashish, Seema)
- 13:** Press release of joint statement by several NGOs and individuals, on Supreme Court order regarding tiger reserve buffer areas (Shiba, Neema, Ashish)
- 16:** Presentations on Globalisation and Alternatives to students at IIM Bangalore; and at International Conference on Public Policy at IIM Bangalore (Ashish)
- 17:** Interaction with Greenpeace India staff on Globalisation and alternatives, Bengaluru (Ashish)

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- 20:** Discussion with Harshad Karandikar on Planning Commission's skill development programme (Neema, Ashish)
 - 23:** Meeting with Sub Divisional Officer (SDO), Rajgurunagar regarding Yelavali FRA claims. Met Kusum Karnik of Shashwat organization regarding Bhimashankar training programme. (Neema & Pradeep)
 - 24:** Lecture on Globalisation and Alternatives to Global Environments Summer Academy students, Germany, on skype (Ashish)
 - 26-27:** Marunji village for Yelavali villager's training on nursery raising & Medicine making (Neema & Pradeep)
 - 27:** Discussion on CBD COP11 at BNHS, Mumbai (Neema, Ashish)
 - 28-31:** Shopping at Pune for Yelavali village (Pradeep)
 - 28:** Presentation on Nagaland for citizens in Pune during the NE Festival being organised by Grupshrup, Law College Road and Black Swan (Neema)
 - 30:** Participation and content inputs in the Northeast Regional Meeting on Access and Benefit Sharing organised by BNHS, Aaranyak, INFC and National Biodiversity Authority in Guwahati (Kanchi)

September 2012

- 2:** Orientation workshop on National Green Tribunal in Pune co-organised by Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment (LIFE), Manthan, South Asia Network on Dams, Rivers and People (SANDRP) and Kalpavriksh (Neeraj)
- 3-5 & 8-12:** Visit to Bhuj and several Kachchh villages to see work of Sahjeevan, Kachchh Mahila Vikas Sanghatana, Khamir, ACT, and other groups (Ashish, Shiba)
- 6-8:** Presentation at and participation in workshop on Forest Rights Act in Kachchh, organised by Sahjeevan and others, Bhuj; visit to Banni village for discussions with Maldharis (Ashish, Shiba)
- 10-13:** Participation in the meeting organised by WWF-India titled, "NGO consultation on COP11 Agenda Items" in New Delhi (Kanchi, Seema, Neema)
- 15-16:** Yelavali meeting on EVD follow up (Pradeep)
- 17:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives to staff of Sathi Pune (Ashish)
- 18:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives to American students, Alliance for Global Education, Pune (Ashish)



21-22: KV AGM, Pune

23: Executive Committee and General Body meeting of NIRMAN, Bhubaneshwar (Neema via Skype)

28: Meeting with CEO, Pune District about the training programme on Role of Panchayats in strengthening conservation and livelihoods (Neema, Pradeep)

28: Presentations on Globalisation and Alternatives at Jamia Milia Islamia and Delhi School of Economics, Delhi (Ashish)

29: Presentation at Lovraj Kumar Memorial Lecture, organised by SPWD, Delhi (Ashish)

October 2012

6-19: Participation and organizing events at CBD COP11, Hyderabad (Neema, Shiba, Ashish), including daily Indian NGO and CBD Alliance meetings, and:

- **6-7:** CBD Alliance and ICCA Consortium preparatory meetings
- **8:** Presentation on globalisation context and CBD options, SANDRP side event on dams
- **9:** Side event on ICCAs in South Asia, organised by KV and others
- **10:** Presentation on ICCAs and Aichi Targets, at IUCN/WCPA Protected Areas Day
- **10:** Presentation on Globalisation context, at BNHS side event on coastal developments in India
- **10:** Coordination and issuing of statement on Protected Areas Programme of Work official agenda item
- **11:** Side event on Protected Areas and Forest Rights Act, organised by KV and others
- **11:** Chairing side event on Traditional Knowledge of Marginalised Communities, organised by Dalit Human Rights Centre and Japanese groups
- **12:** Presentation at and moderation of side event on ICCA Recognition and Support, organised by ICCA Consortium and others
- **13:** Presentation at and organization of Colloquium on Role of ICCAs in Aichi Targets, organised by CBD Sectt, ICCA Consortium, and others; including release of ICCA Recognition and Support report published by CBD Sectt, ICCA Consortium, KV and others
- **13:** Addressing press conference on ICCA Recognition report
- **14:** Visit to People's Biodiversity Festival
- **15:** Presentation at release of 'Countering Coal', published by Greenpeace India and KV
- **15:** Presentation on ICCA Recognition study at UNDP side event on ICCAs
- **16:** Press conference and release of joint NGO statement on economic growth vs. biodiversity
- **18:** Participation in youth groups' Human Chain on Biodiversity

- **18:** Presentation at side event on NBSAPs, organised by ICCA Consortium with CBD Sectt

7: Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives, Human Rights Forum commemoration of K. Balagopal, Hyderabad (Ashish)

17: Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives, at release of book, organised by Deccan Development Society and Centre for Economic and Social Studies, Hyderabad (Ashish)

20-21: ICCA Consortium General Assembly and visit to Deccan Development Society, Pastapur (Andhra) (Neema, Ashish)

26: Organised and participated in a meeting on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) organised by the Campaign for Conservation and Community Control over Biodiversity in New Delhi (Kanchi)

28: Birding trip to Sinhagad valley, Pune

30-31: Capacity building training programme for local institutions and functionaries at Bhorgiri, Bhimashankar (Pradeep, Neema, Milind)

November 2012

2-4: Presentations and moderation of Learning Workshop on Community Forest Rights, organised by Vasundhara and KV with Oxfam India, Bhubaneswar (Ashish)

3: Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at book release, organised by Samadrushti, Bhubaneswar (Ashish)

5: Visit to Narishu village, to meet organic rice farmer Natwar Sarangi (Ashish)

14: Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at TERI University (Ashish)


26-29: Visit to Baiga chak, Madhya Pradesh, to investigate Community Forest Rights recognition process (Shiba, Ashish)

December 2012

3: Participation in national workshop on Forest Rights Act, organised by Ministry of Tribal Affairs and UNDP, Delhi (Ashish)


5: Letter to Dindori Collector regarding Community Forest Rights for Baigas, MP (Shiba, Ashish)

5-6: Inauguration of Ecolodge at Yelavali village in Bhimashankar wildlife sanctuary (Pradeep, Neema)

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- 6:** Letter to Ministry of Tribal Affairs on urgent actions regarding Forest Rights Act (Shiba, Neema, Ashish)
 - 7-8:** Meeting at TISS and Mantralaya Mumbai for planning Maharashtra state consultation on CFRs (Neema)
 - 8:** Presentations on Globalisation and Alternatives at Bhoomi College, Bengaluru (Ashish)
 - 9:** Presentation on biodiversity conservation through Radical Ecological Democracy, 2nd Indian Biodiversity Congress, Bengaluru (Ashish)
 - 12:** Presentation on Radical Ecological Democracy, and chairing session at National Seminar on Rethinking Development, KC College, Mumbai (Ashish)
 - 16:** Session with children of Landmark Garden on Trees (Sujatha)
 - 17:** Participation in workshop on Economics, Finance, Governance and Ethics for the Anthropocene, organised by Development Alternatives and Capital Institute, Delhi (Ashish)
 - 18:** Presentation of KV's work on FRA, Action Aid, Delhi (Shiba, Ashish)
 - 19:** Meeting on National Green Tribunal organised by Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment, New Delhi (Neeraj)
 - 22:** Conservation and Livelihoods group's planning retreat, Pune (C&L members)
 - 25:** Birding trip to Pashan Lake, Pune
 - 29:** Presentation and talk on Bhimashankar and KV's involvement in conservation and livelihoods activities in Yelavali village at Grup-shrup restaurant, organized by Black Swan travel company (Neema, Pradeep)

January 2013

- 5:** Orientation workshop on the National Green Tribunal co-organised by the ILS Law College Pune & the National Green Tribunal Bar Association. Neeraj attended as a resource person (Neeraj).
- 6:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives, organised by Black Swan, Pune. (Ashish)
- 9:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at Goa University, Dona Paula. (Ashish)
- 10:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at book release, Goa International Centre. (Ashish)
- 12:** Birding trip to Bhigwan Lake, Maharashtra.

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- 14-22:** Meetings with Sahjeevan (Kachchh) to plan for material development for an Environment Education programme. (Sujatha)
 - 15:** Presentation on Globalisation and alternatives at Symbiosis School of Media and Communications, Pune (Ashish)
 - 20:** Presentation on "*Discourses around Environment and Biodiversity governance in India: Concerns, Conflicts and Controls*" organised by AID College Park, Washington DC, USA (Kanchi Kohli)
 - 21-22:** Participation in workshop on Community Forest Rights in Maharashtra, Mumbai (Neema, Pradeep, Milind, Ashish, Shiba)
 - 23:** Presentation at National Conference on Biodiversity: Green Strategies for Sustainable Development, Women's Christian College, Chennai (Ashish)
 - 23:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at IIT Madras (Ashish)
 - 24:** Visit to Kuthambakkam village (to see work of Trust for Village Self-Governance) (Ashish)
 - 28:** Brown Bag Lecture for International Rivers, Berkeley on "*India's Rivers: Regulatory Stresses and Regulatory Incapabilities*" (Kanchi Kohli)

February 2013

- 2:** Participation in and session coordination for a Biogeographic zone level meeting for Rocky Outcrops and their ecological and social importance, organized by BIOME (Neema)
- 3:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at Global Greengrants network meeting, Shantiniketan (Ashish)
- 5:** Presentation on Kalpavriksh's work at TDH workshop (Neeraj, Pradeep, Milind)
- 5-6:** Roundtable, civil society consultation, and press conference on Indian investments in Ethiopia, organised by KV with Insaaf, Peace, CSD and Oakland Institute; presentation on context of globalisation (Ashish)
- 8-10:** Birdwatching camp, Sitabani, Uttarakhand, organised by Forest Dept with KV (Ashish)
- 10 – 12:** NE Consultation on Dams and Protection of Natural Resources in India's North East, Agartala, Tripura. (Neeraj)
- 11:** Meeting with groups working in Bhimashankar for planning Bhimashankar level joint action at Shashwat, Dimbhe (Neema, Milind, Pradeep)

- 12:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi (Ashish)
- 13:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at IIT Mumbai (Ashish)
- 16:** Birding trip, Pashan Lake, Pune
- 16:** Panel Discussion on Globalization, Environment and Democracy organised by AID-Bay Area in San Jose, California, USA on 16th February 2013 (Kanchi Kohli and Manju Menon)
- 20:** Participation as judge of student presentations at workshop on Biocultural Community Protocols and Laws, LED Lab of Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology, Bengaluru (Ashish)
- 20- 26:** Visit to Bhuj (Sahjeevan) for development of educational material. (Sujatha)
- 21:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at Srishti School, Bengaluru (Ashish)
- 22- 24:** Visit to villages around Murbad, Thane for the assertion of rights study on Kalu dam (Shiba)
- 25-1 March:** Dhule and Yawal wildlife sanctuary- Meetings with gram sabhas on future planning for co-existence (Neema)
- 26:** Session with children of a residential boys school in Bhuj on Ladakh. (Sujatha)
- 26-27:** Workshop on Community Forest Rights in Rajasthan, Jaipur, organised by KV and SPWD; presentation on national CFR status (Ashish, Milind, Pradeep, Shiba)
- 28:** Presentation on *Post Globalization Challenges to Environmental Governance in India* organised by AID Austin (Kanchi Kohli)
- 28-1 March:** Visit to Jharcraft activities near Ranchi and Hazaribagh, Jharkhand (Ashish)

March 2013

- 2:** Presentation on national CFR status at Workshop on Community Forest Rights in Jharkhand, organised by KV with Vasundhara and SPWD, Ranchi (Ashish)
- 2:** Presentation on role of people in conservation in India, and legal support for the same for Ecological Society, Pune (Neema)
- 3:** Presentation on national CFR status at Workshop on Forest Rights Act in Chhattisgarh, organised by Oxfam India and State Tribal Dept, Raipur (Ashish)
- 3:** Presentation on Globalisation and Alternatives at public gathering organised by Chhattisgarh Social Watch (Ashish)

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- 6:** Presentation on Globalisation and alternatives at Symbiosis School of Media and Communications, Pune (Ashish)
- 7:** Visit of Greenpeace India to KV to discuss CFR/FRA possibilities against coal mining in Mahan, UP.
- 11-15:** Visit to Chirag, Uttarakhand to understand initiatives in alternative education (Shiba)
- 13:** Presentation on conservation, livelihoods and rights to IFS probationers, TISS, Mumbai (Ashish)
- 16-17:** National workshop on Community Forest Rights, organised by KV and Vasundhara, Delhi (Shiba, Neema, Ashish, Vikal)
- 18:** National consultation on Post-2015 Sustainability Framework, organised by KV and Oxfam India; presentation of main paper (Ashish, Seema, Shiba)
- 21-22:** Presentations on Alternatives, at School of International Training and World Learning, Jaipur (Ashish)
- 22-23:** Facilitated a meeting of the Madhya Pradesh Youth Network Meeting in Bhopal coordinated by NIWCYD *Bachpan*. (Sujatha)
- 23-24:** Presentation on Alternatives, at Jagran Jan Vikas; at public event organised by JJV, SPWD and others; and at Swaraj University, Udaipur (Ashish)





Part D: Letters

- 11 Apr:** Letter to MoEF regarding Forest Dept refusal to give Mendha-Lekha bamboo permit
- 2 May:** To Minister of Tribal Affairs regarding amendments to Forest Rights Act
- 9 May:** Submission of suggestions/ views on the Indian Forest (Amendment) Bill 2012 to Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Science and Technology, Environment and Forests.
- 11 June:** To Ministry of Tribal Affairs on circulars it needs to issue to states on FRA.
- 18 & 21 June:** Open Letters to Prime Minister of India 'Come to Rio *If You Can Demonstrate Environmental Leadership*' (Kalpavriksh), and 'Demonstrate Environmental Leadership at Rio and at Home' (several NGOs), both issued at Rio+20 conference.
- 28 June:** To Minister for Tribal Affairs, on FRA implementation.
- 29 June:** To Minister for Tribal Affairs on the list of states to which the 24th May advisory on FRA was not sent.
- 13 July:** To Chief Minister of Maharashtra on Joint Forest Management and Community Forest Rights.
- 10 July:** Letter to the CM and MoEF and Jairam Ramesh on FRA and JFM.
- 10 August:** To Kagad Kach Patrak Kashtakari Panchayat and Swach supporting their withdrawal from unfair deal by Pimpri-Chinchwad Municipal Corporation.
- 14 August:** To Minister for Tribal Affairs, requesting intervention in Supreme Court case on tiger tourism and buffer areas.
- 17 August:** To Raj Panjwani, Amicus curae, on Supreme Court orders regarding tiger buffer areas.
- 17 August:** To Minister for Tribal Affairs, comments and suggestions on draft forest rights rules 2012.
- 4 September:** To Minister for Tribal Affairs regarding Future of Conservation Network's comments on the proposed guidelines by MOEF/NTCA on regulation of tourism in Tiger Reserves and declaration of cores and buffers.
- 26 September:** To Minister for Tribal Affairs regarding UNDP-MoTA training programmes on FRA.



- 19 November:* To Minister for Tribal Affairs regarding Supreme Court case on Tiger Reserves.
- 21 November:* To Minister for Environment and Forests, regarding post-CBD COP11 actions (with several other NGOs, through BNHS).
- 5 December:* To Dindori District Collector regarding Community Forest Rights for Baigas, MP.
- 6 December:* To Ministry of Tribal Affairs on urgent actions regarding Forest Rights Act.
- 24 January:* Letter to PMO protesting the dilution of FRA-FCA circular.
- 23 February:* Concerns regarding the process to determine criteria for the declaration of inviolate forest areas with respect to coal mining.

Endorsement of the following:

- 6 June:* Asian Movements statement against the Green Economy.
- 8 June:* Civil society statement against the UN Secretary General's 'Sustainable Energy for All' initiative.





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Funders (2012-13)

1. Concern India Foundation
2. SWEDBIO, Swedish Biodiversity Centre
3. Misereor Foundation
4. World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)
5. Foundation for Ecological Security (FES)
6. Duleep Matthai Trust
7. SWISSAID (Swiss Aid India for Development Cooperation)
8. Vasundhara
9. Greenpeace India
10. ActionAid India
11. National Biodiversity Authority





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KALPAVRIKSH INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED ON 31ST MARCH 2013

Figures in Rupees

PARTICULARS	AS AT 31.03.2013			AS AT 31.03.2012		
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL
INCOME						
Grants utilised	711,172.50	9,321,261.00	10,032,433.50	709,608.64	8,035,012.70	8,744,621.34
Donations received	65,718.00	72,054.00	137,772.00	51,711.00	80,958.80	132,669.80
Fees from Activities	23,850.00	-	23,850.00	8,250.00	-	8,250.00
Income from publications	116,521.00	-	116,521.00	76,861.00	-	76,861.00
Other Income						
Interest on savings and deposit accounts	79,333.00	-	79,333.00	80,487.00	-	80,487.00
Miscellaneous income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred Income (depreciation charged)	24,067.00	-	24,067.00	23,843.00	-	23,843.00
Sundry Balances w/off	-	-	-	-	-	-
	103,400.00	-	103,400.00	104,330.00	-	104,330.00
Total Income	1,020,661.50	9,393,315.00	10,413,976.50	950,760.64	8,115,971.50	9,066,732.14
EXPENDITURE						
Staff Payments and Benefits	125,150.00	2,691,989.00	2,817,139.00	238,350.00	785,700.00	1,024,050.00
Professional fees	12,000.00	2,856,557.00	2,868,557.00	29,500.00	4,022,489.00	4,051,989.00
Administrative and General Expenses						
Rent, rates and taxes	215,339.00	248,000.00	463,339.00	329,689.00	120,500.00	450,189.00
Communication expenses	85,742.83	120,263.63	206,006.46	76,661.21	129,148.00	205,809.21
Stationary	32,166.00	67,803.00	99,969.00	32,792.50	299,585.00	332,377.50
Electricity expenses	21,419.80	-	21,419.80	15,636.00	-	15,636.00
Travelling and conveyance expenses	9,124.00	1,067,918.37	1,077,042.37	6,569.00	445,808.00	452,377.00
Insurance charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
Remuneration to Auditors	-	25,000.00	25,000.00	44,631.00	13,380.00	58,011.00
Others	226,682.90	2,315,784.00	2,542,466.90	138,857.52	2,293,525.50	2,432,383.02
Repairs and Maintenance						
Building	-	-	-	-	5,836.00	5,836.00
Office Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others	2,813.00	-	2,813.00	6,930.00	-	6,930.00
Depreciation for the year	24,067.00	-	24,067.00	23,843.00	-	23,843.00
Depreciation prior period	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other expenses						
Write offs and provisions	-	-	-	3,661.75	-	3,661.75
Miscellaneous expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Alliance Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditure	754,504.53	9,393,315.00	10,147,819.53	947,120.98	8,115,971.50	9,063,092.48
Excess of Income over expenditure	266,156.97	-	266,156.97	3,639.66	-	3,639.66

As per my attached report of even date
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KALPAVRIKSH BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2013

Figures in Rupees

PARTICULARS	Sch No.	As At 31.03.2013	As At 31.03.2013	As At 31.03.2012	As At 31.03.2012
SOURCES OF FUNDS					
TRUST FUND			114,314.00		114,314.00
GENERAL FUND					
Opening balance (Administrative Fund)		2,131,282.84		2,130,308.68	
Opening balance (Income & Expenditure A/c)				3,639.66	
Add: Surplus for the year (Income & Expenditure A/c)		266,156.97		-	
Less: Transfer to restricted fund		-		-	
Less: Transfer to Deferred Income (Fixed Assets)		-		-	
Closing balance			2,397,439.81		2,133,948.34
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
Additional Donations and Grants	1		3,231,978.93		3,317,947.79
Deferred Income					
Transfer from General Fund		61,602.70		85,445.70	
Add: Deferred Income on Assets purchased		(24,067.00)		(23,843.00)	
Less: Transfer to Income & expenditure account-Depreciation					
Closing balance			37,535.70		61,602.70
TOTAL			5,781,268.44		5,627,812.83
APPLICATION OF FUNDS					
FIXED ASSETS	3		150,489.70		174,556.70
CURRENT ASSETS	4	5,696,900.99		5,810,617.98	
LOANS, ADVANCES AND DEPOSITS	4	90,088.75		168,412.75	
Less CURRENT LIABILITIES AND PROVISIONS	4	156,211.00		525,774.60	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			5,630,778.74		5,453,256.13
Notes to Accounts	5				
TOTAL			5,781,268.44		5,627,812.83

As per my attached report of even date

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