

## Annexure 11

# Community Conserved Areas in India: Some Examples\*

## Note

1. This is not a comprehensive list of CCAs in India. Only some of the known examples have been listed here, often based on secondary sources of information.
2. The sacred groves and examples of Joint Forest Management listed here are those where active protection and involvement of local communities is apparent. This does not imply that these are the only such groves and JFM areas, there are likely to be many more that are not listed here.

<b>West Bengal</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Chandana and Harinakuri	South West Bengal	Forest Protection with Forest Department	160 ha
2.	Rashikbeel	Cooch Behar District, West Bengal	Protection of wetland through formation of Forest Protection Committee	100 ha
3.	Jogyanagar,	Birbhum District, West Bengal	Protection of a Heronry	Not available

<b>Tripura</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Melghar Forests	Sonmara Sub Division, West Tripura	Forest Protection under Joint Forest Management	13,000 ha
2.	Kathalia-2	South Tripura	Forest Protection under Joint Forest Management	80 ha

<b>Tamil Nadu</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Chittarangudi Village	Ramanthapuram District	Conservation of a wetland and protection of a Heronry	1,000 ha
2.	Longwood Shola	Nilgiris District	Protection of Shola Forests	116 ha
3.	Pambar Shola	Palni Hills District	Protection of Shola Forests	100 ha
4.	Pulicat lake	Teruvellore District	Protection of lake and migratory birds	6000 ha

\* Source: Pathak, N., Chowdhury, S., and Bandekar, R. 2003. *Directory of Community Conserved Areas in India*. Kalpavriish, Pune (Draft)

### Sikkim

S. No.	Name of Area	Location	Kind of Effort	Area
1.	Yuksam Village	West Geyzing Dist.	Traditional protection of Khangchendzonga and seven adjoining mountains, ecotourism initiative	Not available

### Punjab

S. No.	Name of Area	Location	Kind of Effort	Area
1.	Todar Majra & 4 other villages	District Ropar	Protection of peacock	TM area is 500 acres
2.	Bishnoi Community, Abohar area	Dist. Ferozpur	Religious protection of trees and wild animals	13 villages

### Nagaland

S. No.	Name of Area	Location	Kind of Effort	Area
1.	Khonoma Sanctuary	Kohima District	Tragopan protection and declaration of an unofficial sanctuary	2000 ha
2.	Changtongya village	Mokokshung District	Forest protection and declaration of no-hunting zones	Not available
3.	Chakasang community	Pnek District	Forest protection and declaration of no-hunting and no fire zones	Not available
4.	Ghosu bird sanctuary	Zuenheboto District	Prohibition on hunting of birds	Not available
5.	Dayang Hydro-Electric Project	Wokha District	Conservation and protection of catchment forests	Not available

### Meghalaya

S. No.	Name of Area	Location	Kind of Effort	Area
1.	Thaiang Sacred Groves	Ri Bhoi District, Khasi Hills	Regeneration of sacred grove	Not available
2.	Kharsati Community	Ri Bhoi District, Khasi Hills	Regeneration of forest by Conserved Area	social fencing 400 ha

<b>Manipur</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Khambi village	Ukhrul District	Forest conservation	300 ha
2.	Shirui Hills	Ukhrul District	Protection of flowering plants	Not available
3.	Loktak Lake	Bishenpur	Protection of Sangai deer and its and its habitat, also helping in conservation of Loktak Lake	5500 ha

<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Tawa Reservoir,	Hoshangabad District	Conservation of catchment, reservoir and sustainable harvest of fish	Not available
2.	Harda Village	Rahatgaon District	Forest Protection under Joint Forest Management	Not available

<b>Ladakh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Changthang Plains	Ladakh	Traditional sustainable Pastoralism	21,000 sq km

<b>Haryana</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Sukhomajri, Shivalik hills	Punchkula District	Forest and grass protection under Joint Forest Management	Not available
2.	Nada, Shivalik hills	Not available	Forest protection under Joint Forest Management	Not available

<b>Goa</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Nanoda Village,	Sattari, North Goa	Protection of Sacred Groves	0.25 ha
2.	Keri Village,	Sattari, North Goa	Protection of Sacred Groves	10 ha
3.	Coparde Village,	Sattari, North Goa	Protection of Sacred Groves	1.5 ha
4.	Morjim Beach	Pernem, N. Goa	Protection of sea turtles	1.5 km
5.	Galgibagwado	Canacona, S. Goa	Protection of sea turtles	1-2 km beach

<b>Chattisgarh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Karundamuda Village	Sarguja District	Forest protection by women	
2.	Bhalapur Village	Rajnanadgaon District,	Forest protection by women	12 ha
3.	Naharpur block	Kanker District	Forest protection	Not available

<b>Bihar &amp; Jharkhand</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Kudada Hills,	Jharkhand	Forest protection	34 villages
2.	Dalma Sanctuary	Singhbhum District, Jharkhand	Forest protection	Not available
3.	Gonda and Rahama villages	North Karnapura District	Forest protection	Not available
4.	22 vilalges and Hazaribaug	Hazaribaug District	Forest protection	Not available
5.	Uishiya Village,	West Singbhum	Forest protection	> 5,000 acres
6.	Sacred Groves of Palamau Tiger Reserve	Daltonganj	Sacred groves protection	Not available

<b>Assam</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	ShankarGola	Bongaigaon	Forest Protection	100 ha
2.	Chakrashila	Dhubri	Forest Protection	2000 ha

<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Nelapattu & Vedurupattu villages	Nellore District	Protection of wetland and a Heronry	Not available
2.	Sova Village	Vishakapatnam District	Forest Protection	Not available
3.	Mantoor Village,	Medak Districk	Forest Protection	Not available
4.	Veerapuram Village	Anantapur District	Protection of Heronry	Not available
5.	Pedullapalle Village	Cuddapah District	Protection of Heronry	Not available
6.	Behroonguda Village	Not available	Forest Protection	500 ha

<b>Kerala</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Mannarsala Sacred Grove	Alappuzha District	Conservation of Sacred Grove	16 ha
2.	Iringole sacred grove	Eranakulam District	Conservation of Sacred Grove	Not available
3.	Aravanchal Kavu,	Kanoor District,	Conservation of Sacred Grove	7 acres
4.	Ashtamudi Lake	Kollam District	Sustainable clam fishery in a lake	35-50 ha
5.	Periyar Sanctuary	Thekkady, Idukki	Ecodevelopment Project	Not available
6.	Kolavipaalam beach,	Kozhikode District	Conservation of Olive Ridley and Mangrove afforestation	8 kms

<b>Arunachal Pradesh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Sangti village,	West Kameng District	Protection of Black necked cranes	Not available
2	Mega, Molo, Dipu Villages	West Siang District	Forest protection	Not available
3	Apatani valley	Not available	Traditional conservation practices	20 sq. miles

<b>Karnataka</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Uluvebailu	Sringeri taluka, Chikkamaglore district	Protection of a bird habitat	Not available
2.	Kaggaladu	Tumkur District	Heronry protection	Trees in the village
3.	Savanadurga Reserve forest	Magadi Taluka, Bangalore Rural dist.	Forest protection under Joint Forest Management	Not available
4.	Kokkare Bellur	Mandya District	Heronry protection	Not available
5.	25 Sacred groves in Coorg Virajpet Taluka	Kodagu district, Karnataka	Protection of sacred groves	Not available
6.	Shiroor Allali village	Sagar taluka, Shimoga District	Conservation of forest	40 ha
7.	Hunsar village	Sagar taluka, Shimoga District	Conservation of forest	50 ha
8.	Kyasanoor village	Sorab taluka, Shimoga District	Forest protection	>200 ha
9.	Koondakulam	Tirunaveli District	Heronry protection	Not available
10.	Halkar Village	Uttara Kannada	Forest Protection by Village Forest Protection Committee	Not available

<b>West Bengal</b>				
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1.	Chandana and Harinakuri	South West Bengal	Forest Protection with Forest Department	160 ha
2.	Rashikbeel,	Cooch Behar District	Protection of wetland through formation of FPC	100 ha
3.	Singalila National Park	West Bengal bordering Nepal	Afforestation and waste management in the NP	Not available
4.	Jogyanagar,	Birbhum District, West Bengal	Heronry protection	Not available
5.	Jaldapara WLS	Jalpaiguri District, West Bengal	Protection of Wild Life Sanctuary with the help of villagers	Not available
6.	Bankura Village	West Bengal	Protection of Forest under Joint Forest Management	Not available

<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Amakhera village	Gopi taluka, Aligarh District	Protection of birds	50 ha
2.	Daupur village	Javan Taluka, Aligarh District	Protection of birds	150 ha
4.	Sheikha Jheel	Koil tehsil, Aligarh District	Wetland conservation	25 ha
5.	Gursikaran Forest	Koil tehsil, Aligarh District	Protection of degraded forests	440 ha
6.	Patna Lake	Jalesar tehsil, Etah District	Sacred lake	108.86 ha

<b>Gujarat</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Balaram Mahadev temple	Not available	Protection of sacred grove	9.29 acres
2.	Bhirandiyara	Near Bhuj	Protection of grassland	100 ha
4.	Chusana Island	Jamnagar District	Mangrove protection	Not available
5.	Dhordo grassplot	Bhuj District	Protection of grassland	200 ha
6.	Hirava village	Amreli District	Protection of grassland	50 ha
7.	Jaljevdi village	Amreli District	Wasteland development	76 ha
8.	Jodhasar Sacred Grove	Not available	Protection of Sacred Grove	3 plots of 2000 ha
9.	Kedarnath Sacred Grove	Not available	Protection of Sacred Grove	2 ha
10.	Layyeri village	Bhuj District	Protection of grassland	200 acres
12.	Neja village	Bharuch District	Mangrove protection	Not available
13.	Padaliya Sacred Grove	Not available	Protection of Sacred Grove	4 ha
14.	Rajarajeswar Sacred Grove	Palanpur District	Protection of Sacred Grove	Not available
15.	Viramveri Kagaji Bap	Not available	Protection of Sacred Grove	0.5 acre

<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Chhitkul Village	Kinnaur District	Protection of pasture and forest	40 ha
2.	Kamla village	Chamba District	Regeneration of forest	5 ha
3.	Khad Village	Una District	Forest protection	500 ha
4.	Nanj Village	Mandi District	Forest protection	70 ha
5.	Padhar Village	Kullu District	Forest protection	10 ha
6.	Panjawar Village	Una District	Forest protection	250 ha
7.	Paramb Village	Una District	Forest protection	125 ha
8.	Rajain Village	District Chamba	Forest protection	10 ha
9.	Shanag Village	District Kullu	Forest protection	200 ha
10.	Thalli Village	Mandi District	Forest protection	35 ha

<b>Maharashtra</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Saigata Village	Chandrapur District	Forest regeneration	280 ha
2.	Botha Village	Buldhana District	Joint Forest Management initiated by Forest Department	1486 ha
3.	Bodrai Village	Bhandara District	Sacred Grove	100 ha
4.	Dapora Village	Yeotmal District	Sacred Grove	26 acres
5.	Siddeshwar village	Chandrapur District	Sacred Grove	3.5 acres approx.
6.	Antargaon village	Chandrapur District	Sacred Grove	3.5 acres approx.
7.	Mangaon village	Pune District	Sacred Grove	Not available
8.	Chorati village	Chandrapur District	Conservation of forest	560 acres
9.	Satara Tukum village	Chandrapur District	Forest protection under Joint Forest Management	285 ha
10.	Ravangaon & Shirsuphal	Pune District	Protection of rhesus macaques	
11.	Hivare Bazar village	Ahmednagar District	Watershed conservation	400 ha
12.	Chincoli Morarachi Village	Pune District	Peacock protection	
13.	Mangul Village	Yeotmal District	Sacred Grove	3 acres
14.	Pabal village	Yeotmal District	Sacred Grove	10 acres
15.	Ala-Bedar village	Bhandara District	Sacred Grove	7 acres
16.	Mendha Lekha Village	Gadchiroli District	Forest Protection	1900 ha
17.	Lakhapur	Chandrapur District	Forest Protection	600 acres

<b>Rajasthan</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Alampur village	Karauli District	Forest protection	500 big ha
2.	Bhaonta Koyala	Alwar village	Water and forest conservation	600 ha
3.	Palyakheri village	Udaipur District	Modern SG	500 ha
4.	Khichan village	Not available	Protection Demoiselle cranes	
5.	Kailadevi WLS	Sawai Madhopur	Forest protection	67400 ha
6.	Lador Kalla pasture	Karauli district	Forest protection	Not available
7.	Kasara village	Karauli district	Grassland conservation	95 ha
8.	Nibhaira	Karauli district	Forest and grassland conservation	700 Big ha
9.	Bishnoi community	Not available	Strict protection of all wildlife in particular, the Blackbuck	
10.	Suali village	Udaipur District	Forest protection	500 ha
11.	Sariska T R . Haripura village	Alwar District	Forest conservation	Not available
12.	Godavara village	Udaipur District	Forest conservation	Not available

<b>Orissa</b>				
<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Area</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Kind of Effort</b>	<b>Area</b>
1.	Binjgiri Hills (eight villages)	Puri District	Community Forest Protection	360 ha
2.	Rupabalia Reserved Forest (RF)	Dhenkanal district	Community Forest Protection	930 ha
3.	Budhikhamari village	Mayurbhanj district	Community Forest Protection	3247 ha
4.	Koshka village	Nayagarh District	Community Forest Protection	142 ha
5.	Lapang village	Sambalpur Dist	Community Forest Protection	Not available
6.	Dengajhari village	Nayagarh District	Community Forest Protection	Not available
7.	Adendungri Village	Bolangir District	Community Forest Protection	Not available
8.	Chilika Lake	Khurda district	Heronry Protection	Not available
9.	Gadabanikilo Village	Nayagarh District	Community Forest Protection	60 ha
10.	Kalikasole Village	Mayurbhanj District	Village initiative, later Joint Forest Management	5 square hectares
11.	Ghusuria village	Mayurbhanj District	Village initiative, later Joint Forest Management	Not available
12.	Patharghara village	Mayurbhanj District	Community Forest Protection	Not available