

# Best Practices of Wildlife Management and Forest Conservation

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# Empowering EDCs with Community-based Tourism

Guideline for sustainable Eco-tourism in forest and Wildlife Areas – October 2021

Guiding Principle	Implementation Strategy
Promoting Eco-tourism entrepreneurship by engaging local communities whose livelihoods have been impacted because of certain prohibitions in PAs and ESZ.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Capacity Building</li><li>2. Revenue Sharing</li></ol>

## Trust Building

Regular visits and meetings with the villagers of Lodh was done. Motivating examples of Community-based Eco-tourism were shared in these meetings. Frontline staff also needed capacity building.



## Capacity Building

15 members of EDC, Lodh accompanied by Range Officer, Mahuadnr Range and 3 forest guards were sent to Athirampally Waterfalls, Kerala and Periyar Foundation for exposure visit in 2019.



# Active Involvement of Communities

30 villagers of Lodh Village are engaged in two groups of 15 persons on alternate days for tourism management at Lodh Falls. Wages are paid from the gate money. Tourist amenities are also maintained by EDC itself.



# Leading to Self-motivation

Self-motivated members of EDC, Lodh installed chainlink fencing for safety of tourists after three girls accidentally fell into water



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लातेहार ज़िले के महाआडांड प्रखंड के प्रसिद्ध पर्यटक स्थल लोध फॉल में सोमवार को औरंगाबाद से घूमने आई तीन लड़कियां सेल्फी लेने के क्रम में फिसलकर गहरे पानी में जा गिरीं। हालंकि मौके पर मौजूद इको विकास समिति के सदस्यों ने तत्पदता दिखाते तीनों को ढूबने से बचा लिया।

## Plastic-free Tourism

To enforce the plastic-free tourism at Lodh, all plastic water-bottles are labelled with a Rs. 10/- token sticker. The amount is returned to tourist if labelled bottles are shown at exit. Other plastic materials such as polyethene, wafers etc are not allowed to be carried inside sanctuary.



## Grievance redressal

The sustainability of community-run tourism is heavily dependent upon transparency and grievance redressal. Any dispute regarding management should be resolved at the earliest.



# Few Other Good Practices

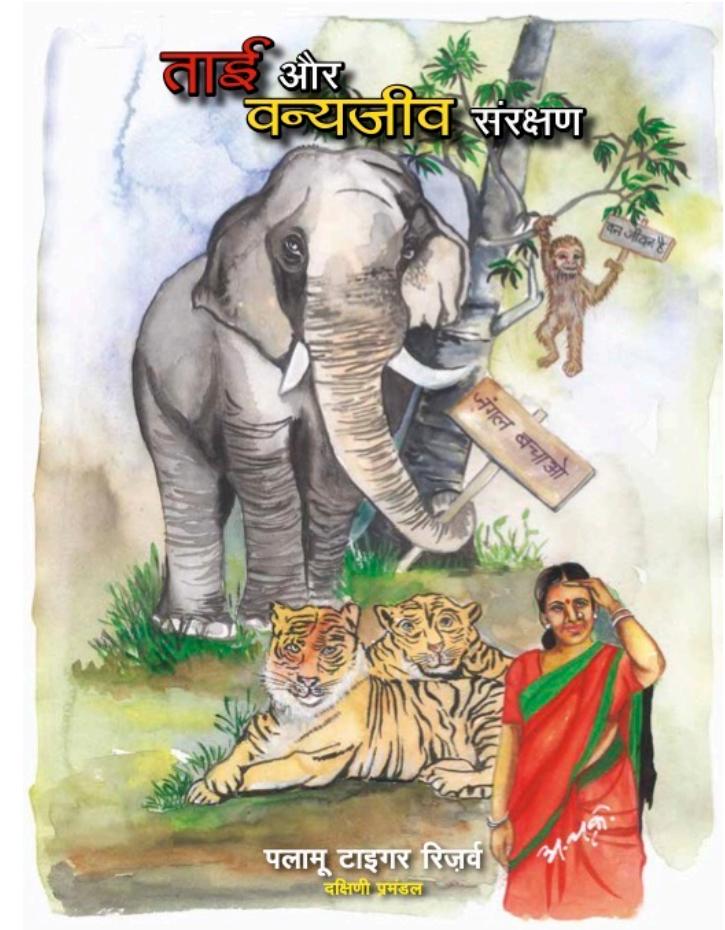
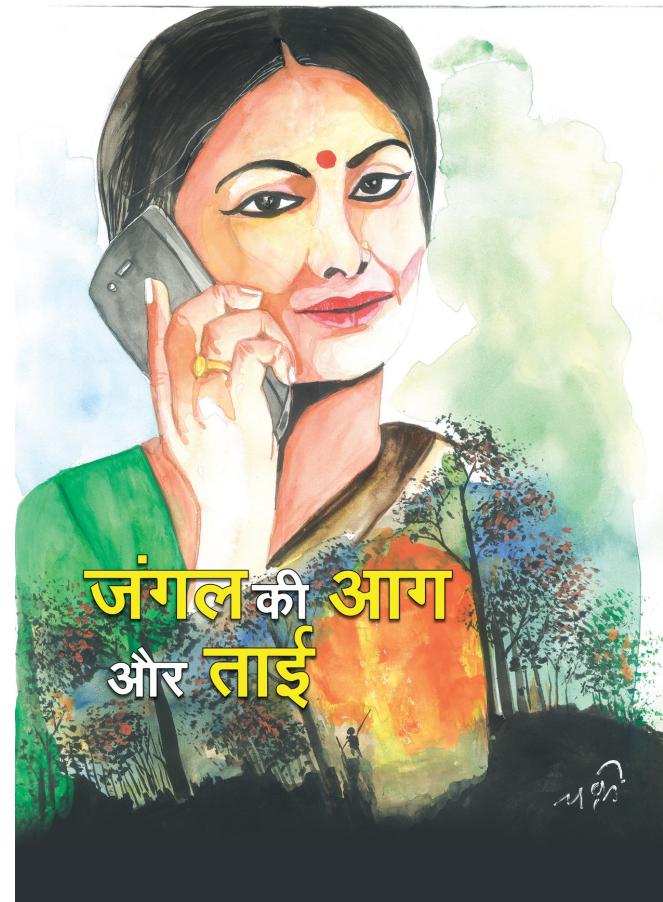
## Proactive assistance to families in cases of Man– Animal Conflict

- In case of death/ major injuries, frontline staff provides assistance in preparation and clearance of documents at all government offices/ hospitals etc.



# Conservation awareness among children through Comics

Major forest and wildlife conservation issues can be conveyed to young minds through stories, comics.



# Bamboo furniture and Henar Honey

Bamboo furniture made by artisans of forest village Henar and Wild Honey of Henar is famous among tourists.

Every year, a refresher course for honing their skills is organized by Tiger Reserve at Maromar.

Recently Henar Honey received fssai certification, which would enable its online retailing.



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