

# INDRODA NATURE PARK ZOO Annual Report 2023-24



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## **Gujarat Ecological Education and Research (GEER) Foundation**

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#### FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



Indroda Nature Park, a prominent modern attraction in Gandhinagar, has its roots in a visionary initiative dating back to 1977. Initially it was conceived as a "Wildlife Park and Natural History Museum" complex. Then the project took shape with the establishment of a Deer Park ("Haranodyan") in December 1978. This park aimed to raise public awareness about wildlife and biodiversity as part of the Gandhinagar Capital Project which was inaugurated by the then Hon'ble Governor of Gujarat State.

Over time, the Gujarat Ecological Education and Research (GEER) Foundation, formed in June 1982 by the Forests and Environment Department of the Government of Gujarat, expanded upon the original deer park. Numerous wild animal enclosures and open moats were added to accommodate a diverse array of wild mammals, reptiles, and birds. Today, this site is known as the "Indroda Nature Park Zoo," recognized as a medium category zoo by the Central Zoo Authority (CZA) of India. Presently, visitors can enjoy a natural setting at the zoo, explore the Botanical Garden and travel through time at the Dinosaur and Fossil Park. Additionally, the GEER Foundation is also introducing a new feature in the park called "Nagar Van," an urban forest. It will offer citizen a chance to immerse themselves in the peaceful ambiance of a forest close to the city.

The GEER Foundation has always remained steadfast in its dedication to animal welfare and fostering a love for nature among people. Through continuous efforts, the Foundation ensures the ongoing development of Indroda Nature Park Zoo and conservation of wild flora and fauna. I am pleased to introduce our annual report for the past year, titled "Indroda Nature Park Zoo Annual Report 2023-24," which highlights the initiatives and activities undertaken. This report emphasizes the strategies employed to fulfill the zoo's goals and mission. Furthermore, it provides valuable insights into the organizational framework and the diverse amenities within and around Indroda Nature Park Zoo.

Over the course of the past year, significant developmental works have been initiated for housing and display of variety of new wild animals. Adding in to the public amenities, the foundation has initiated construction of a new block of public toilets and a cloakroom in parking area. The GEER Foundation has commenced the construction of modern infrastructure for a veterinary hospital within the park. This facility will provide all essential healthcare services to the rescued wildlife of the North Gujarat region apart from zoo animal healthcare. In the reporting year, Approvals of enclosure designs from the Central Zoo Authority for enclosures for Fox, Jackal, Hyaena, Wolf, and Sloth Bear have been obtained. The said enclosure development work has already been started. Renovation and repair work in the Dinosaur and fossil section has commenced, aimed at preserving its most precious elements that are original fossils and ensuring uniformity in their display.

Our attainment of the highest standards in healthcare and animal husbandry is attributed to the unwavering dedication of our zoo veterinary officer, invaluable guidance from the health advisory committee, and external support from Kamdhenu University and the Department of Animal Husbandry on critical healthcare matters. In the reporting year, The Veterinary Officer of GEER Foundation, Dr. Aniket Patel was selected as a mentor from the wildlife sector of Gujarat state for the Pilot batch of SectorConnect programme by the National Center for Disease Control (NCDC), New Delhi and Department of Animal Husbandry (DoAH), Government of Gujarat. In the reporting year, to further improve the skills of our animal care team, we have implemented capacity-building programs dedicated to the zoo keepers and subordinate staff through engaging wildlife and veterinary experts. Certificates were presented on Independence Day and Republic Day to staff members who have shown exceptional performance throughout the year to uplift their morale. The staff members of zoo have been medically screened for zoonotic or contagious diseases. In the reporting year, the Indroda Nature Park had acquired a pair of Asiatic Lion and leopard. The acquired leopard was set in the display of visitors in the event of Wildlife Week Celebration -2023. Conservation breeding of Indian Rock Python, House sparrow, Painted stork and marsh crocodile have successfully carried out in the year 2023-24. The Veterinary Officer along with his team had, on various demands, was deployed to assist department of forest in human-wildlife conflict cases and rescue operations.

Throughout the 2023-24 year, a variety of educational activities were conducted, such as commemorating World Wetlands Day, World Wildlife Day, World Environment Day, International Tiger Day, World Lion Day, and Wildlife Week. Additionally, there were exhibitions of wildlife photography and a state-level Eco-fair organized during this period. These events offered visitors opportunities to participate in conservation initiatives and enhance their appreciation of the natural environment.

Moving forward, the zoo has ambitious plans for the coming year, including the construction of modern enclosures for Wild Asses, Snakes, Crocodiles-Ghariyals, Tortoise-Turtles, Indigenous birds, and exotic birds. The design phase for these enclosures has been finalized.

I want to thank the officials of the Gujarat Forest Department for their consistent guidance and support in the ongoing development of the zoo. Additionally, I applaud the efforts of the Deputy Director (R&D) of the GEER Foundation and all the committed zoo staff who contribute to the welfare of captive animals and the conservation of endangered species through ex-situ efforts.

**R. K. Sugoor, IFS** Director GEER Foundation

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## 1. History of the Zoo

## INDRODA NATURE PARK (INP)

In pursuance of its objectives, Indroda Nature Park (INP), Gandhinagar initiated INP development works with the ecological insight, planning and management skills. From Mid 1970s, the Gujarat Forest Department had initiated plantation works in degraded Sabarmati River Banks as ravine reclamation works. Today, such afforestation has attained the shape of a dense forest. INP is now inhabited by a good number of birds, trees, shrubs, herbs, reptiles and mammals. The undulating terrain, with a background of a low-lying river provides for great scenic beauty.

Development of INP is aimed at imparting nature education to spread awareness about environmental conservation, providing opportunities of experiencing wilderness and protecting the rare and endangered species of animals and birds.

A "*Deer Park*" was established by the Gujarat Forest Department during the year 1978. Later a snake park, crocodile pits and tortoise pits were developed in 1980. After the establishment of the GEER Foundation and its Indroda Nature Park, it was decided that the INP will have initially a Small and subsequently a Medium category Zoo. Accordingly, various existing animal enclosures were grouped as the INP Zoo Section of Western Part of the Park. The INP Zoo was, recognized as a Medium Zoo, by the Central Zoo Authority on 20/02/97. During the Year 2006-07, it was decided to extent INP Zoo area to the East Bank by creating Safari Park.

## 2. Vision

"Indroda Nature Park Zoo to be a part of overall Indroda Nature Park (West Bank & Aranya Udhyan on East Bank) as a MEDIUM CATEGORY ZOO for the purposes of (i) Research, (ii) Captive conservation breeding and (iii) Education of general public for the subject of wild animals and their role in natural ecosystem"

## 3. Mission

"Participate in National Endeavour for conservation of threatened wild animals through captive conservation, captive breeding, research and education of general public".

## 4. Objectives

The main objective of the Indroda Nature Park (INP) Zoo, in accordance to the National Zoo Policy, 1998, is to complement and strengthen the National efforts in conservation of wild fauna.

Detailed objectives of the INP Zoo are as under:

#### 1. Conservation:

Ex-situ captive conservation of the protected wild animals to strengthen the national efforts in conservation of wild fauna.

#### 2. Captive Conservation Breeding:

Captive conservation breeding of selected and prioritized wild ungulates for supporting in-situ conservation of these species and their associate fauna through participating in planned introduction, re-introduction and enrichment of wild ungulates in Protected Areas (PAs).

#### 3. Research and studies:

Providing opportunities for scientific studies and research useful for conservation of wild animals in captivity.

#### 4. Conservation Education and Awareness:

Providing opportunities to zoo visitors in order to (a) get inspiration for empathy towards wild animals, (b) learn, understand and be aware about the life cycle, habitat requirement and ecology of wild animals and (c) get inspired for holistic nature conservation.

#### > STRATEGY FOR ACHIEVING THE OBJECTIVES

- 1. Indroda Nature Park will continue to provide natural environment including adequate natural environment sections in the INP Zoo Section of the Park in order to provide adequate opportunity to visitors to experience such natural environment.
- 2. INP Zoo will give priority to endangered species of wild animals in its Collection Plan and wild animals will be acquired and maintained as per the Collection Plan approved by the Central Zoo Authority (CZA).
- 3. INP Zoo will endeavour to modify old animal enclosures and construct new animal enclosures for providing better housing, upkeep, health care and any special requirements such as shelters, perches, withdrawal areas, wallow, drinking water etc. of wild animals. The INP Zoo will have two types of wild animal enclosures viz. (a) traditional modern enclosures where visitors can view wild animals from outsides and (b) safari type [topsy-turvy zoo] Herbivores / Wild Ungulate Park in the Eastern Section of the INP Zoo wherein, visitors will be allowed in a highly regulated manner inside the Herbivores / Wild Ungulate Safari Park in appropriate Four-Wheel silent / less noisy vehicles.

- 4. The wild animals will be provided adequate space for their natural behaviour including their social & breeding requirements and protect them from adverse climate and visitor disturbance influences.
- 5. The INP Zoo will endeavor to provide for adequate nutrition in the form of proper diet and a veterinary health care. Overall hygiene and sanitation shall be maintained as measures for better health of animals and disease prevention.
- 6. The INP Zoo will endeavor to procure and maintain adequate breeding stock of wild ungulates including (a) Spotted Deer; (b) Sambar; (c) Black Buck; (d) Barking Deer, (e) Chinkara and (f) Chausingha for supporting captive conservation breeding at INP Zoo as well as at identified PAs.
- 7. The INP Zoo is a part of overall organization set up of the Gujarat Ecological Education and Research (GEER) Foundation, Gandhinagar. The primary / main objectives of the GEER Foundation are (a) Ecological Research and (b) Ecological Education. The GEER Foundation, as part of pursuing its primary / main objectives, shall endeavour to promote research in the INP Zoo with a focus on ecology and conservation of endangered species.
- 8. The GEER Foundation, as part of pursuing its primary / main objective of ecological education, shall endeavour to promote studies and education on the subjects of ecology and conservation of endangered species.
- 9. The INP Zoo will endeavour to modernize its signage to make it (a) appropriately informative and (b) compatible to the natural surroundings of the INP.
- 10. The INP Zoo will endeavour to provide adequate and suitable visitor amenities including (a) proper entry and walking foot paths in display areas; (b) drinking water and other services; (c) proper resting places; (d) directional signages; (e) passive interpretation service through an orientation centre / reception centre and (f) active interpretation service through recognized guides / nature educators.
- 11. The GEER Foundation will endeavour to maintain high standards of security and safety of the INP including INP Zoo as well as of the visitors visiting the INP and INP Zoo.

The overall strategy of INP Zoo Management will be to properly integrate it with the overall INP management, which has ongoing plans for development of other sections, in specially designated different areas, including Botanical Garden, Earth Exhibits, Fossil Exhibits, Dinosaur Park, Nature Education Camp Sites, etc.

## 5. About Us

Sr.	Particulars	Information
No.		
Basic I	information about the Zoo	
1	Name of the Zoo	Indroda Nature Park Zoo
2	Year of Establishment	1978
3	Address of the Zoo	Indroda Nature Park,
		P.O. Sector-7, 'J' Road,
		Gandhinagar- 382007, Gujarat, India
4	State	Gujarat
5	Telephone Number	+91-7923977300, 23977311
6	Fax Number	•
7	E-mail address	dir-geer@gujarat.gov.in
		dydir-geer@gujarat.gov.in
8	Website	www.geerfoundation.gujarat.gov.in
9	Distance from nearest	Airport: Ahmedabad- 17 kms
		Railway Station:
		Gandhinagar (W.R.)- about 10 km;
		Ahmedabad (W.R.)- 30 kms
		Bus Stand:
		Gandhinagar (Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation)- about 4 km
10	Recognition Valid upto (Date)	<b>19/08/2022</b>
		The evaluation of the Central Zoo Authority
		for recognition renewal has been conducted in the month of February, 2024

### 5.1 Basic and administrative information

Sr.	Particulars Information						
<b>No.</b> 11	Category of zoo     Medium Zoo						
12	Area (ii	n Hectares)		428 H	ectares (1	57 ha- Western l	bank and
				271 h	a Easter	n bank of river S	abarmati)
13	Numbe	er of Visitors	(2023-24	4):			
	Indroda	Nature Park	attracts vi	sitors from	n Gandhina	gar and Ahmedab	ad city. The
	annual f	ootfall of Ind	roda Natu	re Park zoo	o in the yea	r 2023-24 remain	ed 5.25 lakh
	visitors.						
	The deta	ailed information	tion about	visitation	is given in 1	table below	
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	Sr. No.	Month	Adults	Children	Students	Complimentary to the Divyangs and others	Total
	1	April-2023	30489	4194	532	99	35314
	2	May- 2023	36193	7753	258	104	44308
	3	June-2023	29785	4300	1273	79	35437
	4	July-2023	29607	3291	1092	33	34023
	5	August- 2023	35140	4190	2482	277	42089
	6	September- 2023	27123	3377	3423	99	34022
	7	October- 2023	14744	1572	1775	645	18736
	8	November- 2023	55175	12072	4199	303	71749
	9	December- 2023	45956	7386	12934	1870	68146
	10	January- 2024	32242	4006	24754	1048	62086 (NRI;- A-29 C-07)
	11	February- 2024	26826	3095	15911	609	46457 (NRI:- A-16)
	12	March- 2024	25960	3115	3502	370	32974 (NRI: A-27)
	Total	2023-24	389240	58351	72135	5536	525341 (NRI-A-72 C-07 =79)

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No.		
14	Visitors' Facilities Available in Zoo	<ol> <li>Drinking water kiosks at 3 different places</li> <li>Toilet blocks at 3 different places</li> <li>Souvenir shop</li> <li>Resting areas, gardens and benches</li> <li>First aid kits</li> </ol>
		6) Fruit kiosk
15	Weekly Closure Day of the Zoo	7) Wheel chairs for "Divyang Jan" The Zoo remains closed for visitors on Monday
Manag	ement Personnel of the zoo	every week.
16	Name with designation of the Officer in-charge Name of the Veterinary Officer Name of the Curator Name of the Biologist Name of the Education Officer Name of the Education Officer	<ul> <li>1) Shri R.K. Sugoor, Director &amp; Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Gujarat Ecological Education and Research (GEER) Foundation</li> <li>2) Shri R.P. Gelot, Dy. Director (R &amp;D), GEER Foundation</li> <li>3) Shri R.B. Solanki, Dy. Director (E. E), GEER Foundation</li> <li>Dr. Aniket B. Patel</li> <li>Post of the curator is vacant the work of curator is being carried out by the Park Warden (R.F.O.)- Shri. A.C. Dodia</li> <li>Dr. Sandeep Munjpara (i/c)</li> <li>Shri Alap Pandit (i/c)</li> <li>Shri Hitesh S. Desai</li> </ul>
Owner	<pre>/ Operator of the Zoo</pre>	
17	*Name of the Operator	Shri R.P. Gelot,
18	Address of the Operator	Dy. Director (R & D), GEER Foundation, Indroda Nature Park, P.OSector-7, 'J' Road, Gandhinagar- 382007, Gujarat, India.
19	Contact details/Phone number of Operator	Phone: +91-79-23977302, +91-79-23977300
20	E-mail address of Operator	dydir-geer@gujarat.gov.in

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Sr.	Particulars	Information	
<b>No.</b> 21	Other Information		
21	Entry Fees	Category	Ticket Rates (INR)
		Child below 5 years of age	Free entry
		Child between 5-12 years of age	15.00
		Person above 12 years of age	30.00
		School and college students (on educational tour)	08.00
		Physically challenged (Divyangs)	Free entry
		Institutional/ general/life members of GEER Foundation	Free entry
		Two wheeler parking	15.00
		Four wheeler parking	30.00
		Heavy motor vehicles- bus, truck etc. (on educational tour)	90.00
		Heavy motor vehicles- bus, truck etc.	120.00
		Filming (up to four hours)	6000.00
		Filming (for more than four hours in a day)	12000.00
		Amateur Camera for Photography (except mobile)	40.00
		Amateur Camera for Videography (except mobile)	125.00
		Professional Camera for Photography (S.L.R/D.S.L.R)	200.00
		Professional Camera for Videography (S.L.R/D.S.L.R)	3500.00
		NRI/OCI/FOREIGNER (Ticket Ra	ates (INR)
		Child below 5 years of age	Free entry
		Child between 5-12 years of age	100.00
		Person above 12 years of age	200.00
	Zoo Timings	08.00 am to 05.30 pm	

#### **5.2 Information pertaining to different sections of the INP:**

#### 5.2.1 INP Forest

The entire land of the park on the western bank of river Sabarmati supports over 1.33 lakhs indigenous trees, interspersed with several ornamental exotic trees. Over 136 species of trees have been recorded in the wilderness park.

#### **5.2.2 Earth Section**

In this section, exhibits of genesis of solar system and earth, geological evolution of earth and its continents, biogeography of the world, India and Gujarat are presented.

#### 5.2.3 Dinosaur and Fossil Section

Gujarat boasts of having one among the most abundant of dinosaur hatcheries in the world at Rahioli in Kheda district. This unique natural history of occurrence of dinosaur eggs, bones, skin impressions etc. suggest a widespread presence of dinosaurs in ancient geological time. A Dinosaur & Fossil Section has been established at INP.

#### 5.2.4 Botanical Garden

The Botanical Garden at INP has been developed to increase public awareness about plant science and medicinal plants. It aims at collecting, compiling, translating and publishing popular science works. At present, the Botanical Garden has a collection of about 800 plant species. It also provides a wonderful out-of-classroom experience for learning about plants to school students. It comprises of following 4 sections.

**Arboretum** is a collection of tree species, in the form of plantation with proper display of botanical details of the plant. There are 327 tree species identified in Gujarat state. The arboretum plot in the botanical garden is spread over an area of 2.5 ha. So far 250 tree species have been planted in this plot.

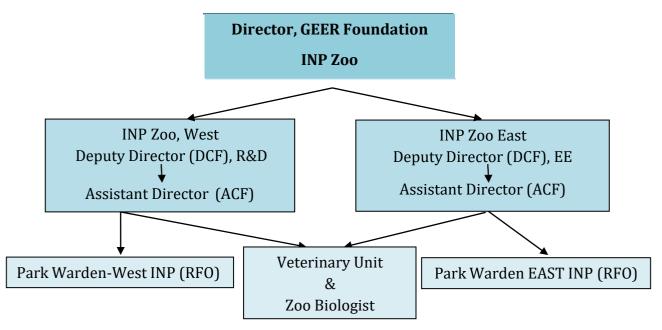
*Cactus house* contains more than 80 species of these succulent plants. The information about species, habitat, etc. is displayed for the knowledge of the visitors. The beautiful flowery plants are one of the major attractions.

**Bamboo collection** has all six species of bamboo found in Gujarat. It is being developed to raise all the species occurring in Western India and a few other species.

*Medicinal plant and grass section* has about 250 species of plant species having medicinal and / or livelihood values.

## 6 Organizational chart

The INP Zoo is part of overall Organization of the Gujarat Ecological Education and Research (GEER) Foundation. The GEER Foundation Administrative Office is the Office of the Director, GEER Foundation and is located near to the Main Entrance and Ticket Window in a separate sub campus of administrative and other research and education facilities. At present there are two Deputy Directors, viz. (i) Deputy Director, Research and Development (R&D) and (ii) Deputy Director, Ecological Education (EE). They, besides their other duties, are in charge of development and management of INP Zoo sections West and East, respectively. For the purpose of the INP Zoo administration as part of overall GEER Foundation Administration, following administrative organization is established:



### 7. Human Resource

INP Zoo is, and it will continue to be the part of the INP under the administrative control of the GEER Foundation. The GEER Foundation will continue its endeavour to manage and develop the INP Zoo towards (a) its overall mandate of ecological education and ecological research, (b) its mission to contribute to conservation, restoration and enrichment of ecosystem and natural heritage and (c) to the national vision for conservation of threatened wild animals through captive conservation, captive conservation breeding, research and education.

The GEER Foundation is an autonomous society and public trust constituted and currently under the administration of the Forests & Environment Department,

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Government of Gujarat. For the purpose of administrative linkages with the Government of Gujarat, the GEER Foundation is partially under the administrative control of the Wildlife Wing of the Gujarat Forest Department. The Foundation receives Operations & Management as well as Development grant as a Grant-in-Aid from the Government of Gujarat through the Forests & Environment Department and the Gujarat Forest Department. Accordingly, one of the units of the GEER Foundation, INP Zoo is also under the administration of the Government of Gujarat as a part of an autonomous Foundation.

At present, GEER Foundation has following human resources for effective administration of Indroda Nature Park.

Sr.	Designation	Number of	Names of the incumbent
No.		Sanctioned Posts	
1	Director and Addl. Principal	1	Shri R.K. Sugoor
	Chief Conservator of Forests		
2	Dy. Director (R & D) and Dy.	1	Shri R.P. Gelot
	<b>Conservator of Forests</b>		
3	Dy. Director (EE) and Dy.	1	Shri R.B. Solanki
	Conservator of Forests		
4	Assistant. Director and ACF	2	Shri R.P. Gelot (i/c)
5	Veterinary Officer	1	Dr. Aniket B. Patel
6	Park Warden cum Range	2	Shri A.C. Dodia
	Forest Officers		Shri M.R.Dataniya

#### **Table - 7.1:** Details of the posts of officer cadre

**Table-7.2:** Details of the posts of employee cadre

Sr. No.	Name of Cadre	No. of Post Sanctioned	Names of the Incumbent
	INP Z	Zoo Western part	
1	Forester	1	Shri R.R. Makwana
2	Snake Cum Wildlife Park Keeper	1	Vacant Shri Hitesh Desai (i/c)
3	Asstt. Snake Cum Wildlife Park Keeper	1	Vacant Shri Hitesh Desai (i/c)
4	Veterinary Assistant	1	Shri Hitesh S. Desai
5	Head Animal Keeper	1	Vacant
6	Forest Guard	1	Shri V.S. Thakor Addl. Proposed post-1

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7	Sweeper cum keeper	1	Shri Baldevbhai S. Vaghela
8	Accountant	1	Vacant Shri Baldevbhai B. Parmar (i/c)
9	Bird Breeder	1	Vacant Shri Irshad N. Theba (i/c)
10	Driver	1	Vacant Addl. Proposed posts-2 Shri Sendhaji Parmar (i/c)
11	Zoo Education Guide	0	Proposed posts-3 Shri Tusharbhai J.Dave (i/c) Smt. Ksumben Suthar (i/c)
12	Ticket Window Clerk	0	Proposed posts- 2 Shri Jagdishbhai Prajapati (i/c) Shri Anil Prajapati (i/c)
13	Ticket Checker	0	Proposed posts-2 Shri Bhagwangiri M. Gosai (i/c)
14	Store clerk	0	Proposed posts-1 Shri Shailesh G. Solanki (i/c)
15	Plumber Cum Pump Operator	1	Vacant Shri Juhaji L. Makwana (i/c)
16	Watchman	1	Vacant Addl. Proposed posts-3
17	Watchman Cum Mali	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo Shri Pratapji K. Solanki (i/c)
18	Welder Cum Attendant	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo
19	Watchman Cum Camp Attendant	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo
20	Nature Education Assistant	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo Shri Alap Pandit (i/c)
21	Artist	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo Shri Mehul Joshi (i/c)
22	Kitchen Manager Cum Supervisor	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo
23	Library Attendant	1	Post to be accounted for different section of INP other than zoo Shri Himanshu Chavda (i/c)

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24	Animal keepers	Permanent/	Shri Sardarji Gandaji Thakor	
		fix labours	Shri Ranjitji Ataji Makawana	
			Shri Gabhabhai Jagabhai Raval Shri Narsinhji Udaji Thakor	
			Shri Bharatji Amaraji Thakor	
			Shri Maheshkumar B. Thakor	
			Shri Kanubhai Bhalabhai Raval	
			Shri Govaji Masangji Thakor	
			Shri Bhagvanji R. Makawana	
			Shri Sureshkumar G. Thakor	
			Shri Alkeshkumar R. Kori	
			Shri Punabhai Vahjibhai Raval	
			Shri Dashrathji R. Thakor	
			Shri Amrutbhai I. Prajapati	
			Shri Manojkumar P. Thakor	
			Shri Pravinji Viraji Makawana	
25	Night Watchmen and reliver	Permanent/	Shri Kirankumar Bhalaji Thakor	
		fix labours	Shri Rameshji Maganji Thakor	
			Shri Lalaji Bhalaji Thakor	
			Shri Ramdhiraj Rambadal Kori	
			Shri Jugaji Bakaji Thakor	
			Shri Karmanbhai R. Desai	
			Shri Balvantji J. Thakor	
			Shri Baldevji Ataji Makwana	
	INP Z	oo Eastern part	t	
1	Accountant	1	Vacant	
			Shri Jagdishbhai Chauhan (i/c)	
2	Forest Guard	1	Shri V.S. Thakor (i/c)	
3	Zoo Education Guide	0	Proposed posts- 2	
_	Sweeper Cum Keeper	0	Proposed posts-2	
4				
4 5	Driver	0	Proposed posts-1	
		0	Proposed posts-1 Proposed posts-2	

## 8. Capacity Building of the zoo personnel

A. Subject s	pecific capac	ity building	programmes
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Sr. No.	Name and designationof the zoo personnel	Subject matterof Training	Period of Training	Name of the Institution where the Training attended
01	Dr. Aniket Patel	Workshop on approaches and advancements in "Ex-situ" Management of wild animals	16- 18 October, 2023	Van Vihar National Park & Zoo, Bhopal, Madhyapradesh- CZA organized work shop
02	Shri Natvarsinh A Rathod	Capacity Building Program for Zoo	13 -15 September	Sakkarbaug Zoological Park,
03	Shri Alkesh R Kori	Keeper of Western Region	2023	Junagadh - CZA organized training
04		Field Epidemiological Training Programme- Contact session-I	05-08 December, 2023	Kevadiya, Gujarat (organized by National Center for Disease Control & Department of Animal Husbandry)
05	Dr. Aniket Patel	Field Epidemiological Training Programme- Contact session-II	09-11 January, 2024	Baroda, Gujarat (organized by National Center for Disease Control & Department of Animal Husbandry)
06		Field Epidemiological Training Programme- Contact session-III	January, 2024	Surat, Gujarat (organized by National Center for Disease Control & Department of Animal Husbandry)



Pic.1: INP Veterinary Officer at Workshop on approaches and advancements in "Ex-situ" Management of wild animals organized by CZA and VVNP, Bhopal



Pic. 2: INP Veterinary Officer at Field Epidemiological Training Programme Contact Session-I at Kevadiya organised by National Center for Disease Control, Gol, New Delhi

Sr. No.	Name and designationof the zoo personnel	Subject matterof Training	Period of Training	Name of the Institution where the Training
				attended
1	All zoo keepers of Indroda Nature Park	Tools and techniques of Restraint and capture methods for wild animals for treatment & translocation.		Indroda Nature Park Subject expert: Dr. Milan Chudasama, Assistant Professor Kamdhenu University
2	& subordinate zoo staff of Indroda Nature Park	Innovative scientific approaches in routine operations of keepers, neonatal care of wild young ones, breeding and reproduction strategies	24-07-2023	Indroda Nature Park Subject expert: Shri Ravi Patel Zoo Biologist, Sakkarbaug Zoo, Junagadh.
3	All zoo keepers of Indroda Nature Park & subordinate zoo staff of Indroda Nature Park	Basic understanding about micro- organisms, their importance, pathogenic microorganisms and the diseases caused by them. Quality assurance of wild animal's feed and fodder, timing and seasonal changes in feed, feed intake documentation, visitor's education and awareness	28-08-2023	Indroda Nature Park Subject expert: Dr. D.J Vatalia Veterinary Officer, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, GoG, Gandhinagar. Indroda Nature Park Subject expert: Shri Bharatsinh Vihol Education officer Kamla Nehru Zoological Garden Ahmedabad
5	All zoo keepers of Indroda Nature Park & subordinate zoo staff of Indroda Nature Park	Various diseases prevalent in wildlife, their symptoms and various care and measures for their prevention	06-11-2023	Indroda Nature Park Subject expert: Dr. S.B. Dabhi, Assistant Director, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, GoG, Gandhinagar. Indroda Nature Park
0		Understanding of physiological and physiological needs		Subject expert: Dr. Disant

## Indroda Nature Park Zoo Annual Report 2023-24 B. Zoo specific capacity building programme for Zoo staff

Sr. No.	Name and designationof the zoo personnel	Subject matterof Training	Period of Training	Name of the Institution where the Training attended
		of wildlife, development of communication skill, knowledge sharing in wildlife diversity and Importance of zoo.		Parasharya, Senior curator, Science city, Ahmedabad
7	All zoo keepers of Indroda Nature Park & subordinate zoo staff of Indroda Nature Park	Common signs of wildlife health and unusual signs of illness, deworming, need for vaccination, various behavioral issues to be recorded by the keeper	26-02-2024	Indroda Nature Park Subject expert: Dr. R.H. Bathani, Panel Veterinary Officer, Indroda Nature Park, Gandhinagar

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The staff members of Indroda Nature Park were also provided periodical exposure of fire safety mock drill and preventive techniques of large scale fire by various subject experts.





Pic. 3,4 and 5: In-house capacity building programme for zoo keepers and staff at INP Zoo

#### 9. Zoo Advisory Committee -

- **A. Date of constitution:** The Zoo Advisory committee is constituted vide GEER Foundation's order no.: EST/1/A792228, Date: 28/02/2023.
- **B.Members:** The details of the committee members are as under.

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Appellation in committee
1.	Shri M.J. Parmar	APCCF (Rtd), Gujarat Forest Department	Chairman
2.	Dr. K.K. Hadiya	Hospital Superintendent Cum Associate professor Anand College of Vet. Science & A.H Kamdhenu University	Member
3.	Dr. C.B. Patel	Veterinary Officer (Rtd.) of Baroda Zoo, Baroda	Member
4.	Shri R.P. Gelot	Dy. Director (R&D)GEER Foundation	Member
5.	Dr. A.B. Patel	Veterinary Officer GEER Foundation	Member
6.	Shri A.C. Dodiya	Park Warden cum R.F.O Indroda Nature Park, Gandhinagar	Member Secretary

**C.** Date on which Meetings held during the year: 14/03/2023.

## 10. Health Advisory Committee-

**A. Date of constitution:** The Health Advisory committee is constituted vide GEER Foundation's order no.: WLP/T-6/B- 7609-11, Date: 14/02/2023.

**B. Members:** The details of the committee members are as under.

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Office	Appellation in committee
1		Director (Research) & Dean PG Studies	Kamdhenu University, Gandhinagar	Chairman
2	Dr. Amit Kanani	Dy. Director	Animal Disease Investigation Office, Department of Animal Husbandry	Member
3	Dr. K. J. Patel	Asst. Director	Veterinary Polyclinic, Sector-21, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, Gandhinagar	Member
3	Dr. R. F. Kadivar	Veterinary Officer	Sakkarbaug Zoo, Junagadh	Member
4	Dr. Aniket Patel	Veterinary Officer	GEER Foundation, Gandhinagar	Coordinator

C. Date on which Meetings held during the year: 18/03/2023.



Pic. 6: Health Advisory Committee meeting at INP Zoo

The Central Zoo Authority Evaluation of Indroda Nature Park Zoo for renewal of recognition:

The evaluation committee constituted for evaluation of the Indroda Nature Park Zoo conducted an on-site visit and meeting of the zoo on February 20th and 21st, 2024. The members of the evaluation committee were:

- 1) Dr. Rashmi Kant Shukla (IFS Rtd.), Former PCCF, Uttar Pradesh
- 2) Dr. M.Navin Kumar, Former Deputy Director, Nehru Zoological Park, Hyderabad.



Pic. 7 and 8: Visit of CZA evaluation committee members at INP Zoo

## 11. Statement of income and expenditure of the Zoo

Sr. No.	Budget head	Allocated budget from GoG (Amount in Lakhs) INR	Utilization of allocated budget (Amount in Lakhs) INR (Audited amount)	Utilization of budget in percentage
1	Provision for wild animal feed and nutrition related requirements of INP Zoo	94.00	95.30	101.38%
2	Provision for Prophylactic measures to be taken for prevention and control of diseases and disorders in captive wild animals of INP Zoo	1.00	0.33	33.00%
3	Provisions for capacity building of Officers and employees of INP Zoo, First aid training, health check up camps etc	2.00	0.84	42.00%
4	Provision for awareness of nature conservation to visitors	1.00	3.15	315.00%
5	Provision for procurement of medicines and feed supplements, veterinary equipment's, rescue instruments etc for veterinary hospital	22.00	10.93	49.68%
6	Provision for Salary of the employees working in the zoo	70.00	66.50	95.00%
7	Maintenance of Gardens of INP	95.00	98.56	103.75%
8	Protection works and Fencing maintenance	72.00	65.12	90.44%
9	Water Supply and electricity bills	35.00	24.77	70.77%
10	General maintenance	25.00	26.81	107.24%
11	Vehicle maintenance and vehicle on rent	6.00	1.01	16.83%
12	Office expense	12.00	14.85	123.75%

#### Income received from sale of tickets and other sources

Sr. No.	Particulars	Amount in Indian Rupees
1	Entry Fees, Indroda Nature Park, Gandhinagar	1,57,93,719.00
2	Rent for Aahar Kendra	30,000.00
3	Sale of Publication Park	40,680.00
4	Tender Form Fees/Sale of old Materials/Other	93,195.00
	Total	1,59,57,594.00

## 12. Daily feed Schedule of animals

#### Mammals:

#### (A) <u>Carnivore animals</u>

Sr. No	Animal	Feed	Quantity/ani	mal/day (Kg)
			Winter	Summer
1	Royal Bengal Tiger (Panthera tigris tigris)	Buffalo meat	8	6-7
1	Asiatic Lion (Panthera leo persica)	do	8	6-7
2	Leopard (Panthera pardus)	do	3.0	2-2.5
3	Indian Grey Wolf (Canis lupes pallipes)	do	2.0	1.5
4	Jackal (Canis aureus)	Poultry meat	0.5	0.5
5	The Indian Fox (Vulpes bengalensis)	do	0.3	0.3
6	Striped Hyaena (Hyaena hyaena)	do	1.0	1.0
Note: An	imals mentioned above are ke	pt on fast for one	e day in a week c	on Monday.

#### (B) <u>Herbivore Animals</u>

Sr.		Quar	ntity of Feed	/Anima	l/day (Kg)
No.	Animal	Green Grass	Dry roughage	Chick pea	Concentrate mixture
1	Sambar (Cervus unicolor)	10	1	0.2	0.7
2	Spotted Deer(Axis axis)	5	0.8	0.2	0.3
3 Black Buck (Antilope cervicapra)		4	0.7	0.1	0.2
4	4 White Black Buck (Antilope cervicapra)		0.7	0.1	0.2
5	Chinkara (Gazella gazella bennetti)	3	0.5	0.1	0.2
6	Chousingha / Four-horned Antelope (Tetraceros quadricornis)	3	0.5	0.1	0.2
7	Barking Deer (Muntiacus muntjak)	4	0.7	0.1	0.2
			Feed/Anin	nal/day	(Kg)
	Rodentia	Chick pea Fruits and Vegetables			
1	1Indian porcupine (Hystrix indica)0.51				
Not	e: The feed to above mentioned animals	s is offered	l all days in a	week w	ithout fasting.

#### Aves:

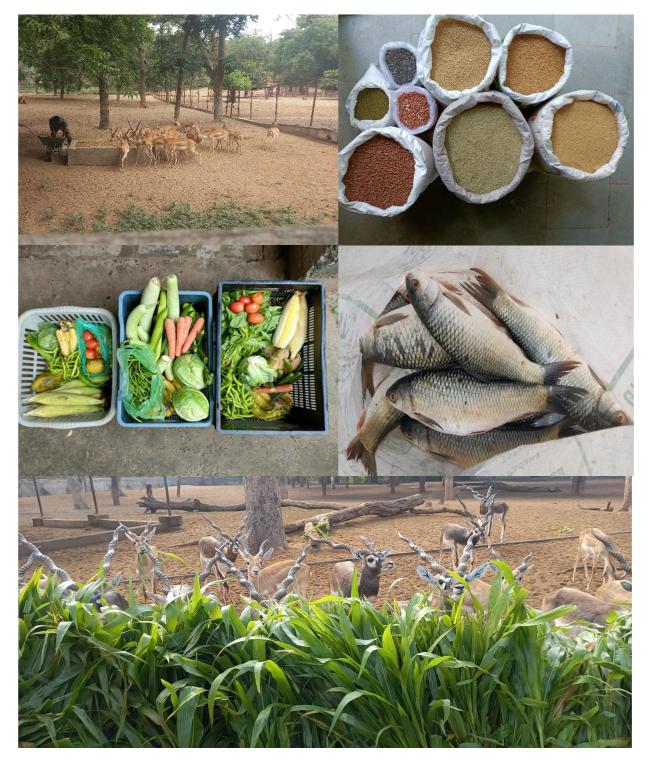
Sr.		Quantity	of Feed/Bird	l/day (I	(g)
Sr. No.	Bird	Grains/leg ume seeds	Vegetable / Fruit	Meat	Fish
1	Crane Common (Grus grus)	0.40			
2	Crane Sarus (grus antigone)	0.30			
3	Duck Pintail (Anas acuta)	0.15			
4	Goose Bar-Headed (Anser indicus)	0.15			
5	Parakeet Alexandrine (Psittacula eupatria)	0.01	0.15		
6	Teal Lesser Whistling (Dendrecygna bicolor)	0.15			
7	Dove little Brown(spilopelia senegalensis)	0.05			
8	Duck Comb (Sarkidiornis melanotos)	0.20			
9	Cocketil (Nymphicus palustris)	0.03			
10	White Peafowl (Pavo cristatus)	0.20	0.20		
11	Silver pheasant( Lophura nycthemera)	0.10	0.20		
12	Heron Night (Nycticorax nycticorax)				0.34
13	White Ibis ( Threskiornis acthiopica )				0.34
14	Owl Indian Greater horned(Bubo virginianus)			0.25	
15	Rosy Pelican / White (Pelecanus onocrotalus )				1.00
16	Painted Stork (Mycteria leucocephala)				0.50
17	Steppe Eagle(Aquila nipalensis)			0.50	
18	Cormorant little (phalacrorax niger)				0.30
19	Brahminy Kite - (Tadorna ferruginea)			0.25	
20	Barn Owl (Tato alba)			0.25	
21	White Spoonbill (Platalea leucorodia)				0.30
23	White Stork (Ciconia ciconia)				0.50
Note	: carnivore birds are kept on fast once in	a week on Mo	nday		

#### **Reptiles:**

		Quant	tity of feed /A	nimal
Sr. No.	Animal	Dressed Meat (kg/week)	Vegetables (kg/ Day)	Other feed grams/Week
1	Indian Cobra(Naja naja)			200
2	Marsh Crocodile (Mugger) (Crocodylus palustris)	0.700		
3	IndianRock Python (Python molurus molurus)			1000
4	Indian Rat Snake /Dhaman (Pryas mucosus)			200
5	Russsel's Viper (Vipera russellii)			200
6	Common Indian Krait <i>(Bungarus caerulus)</i>			100
7	Common Sand Boa (Eryx johini)			150
8	Red Sand Boa(Eryx conicus)			150
9	Indian Star Tortoise (Geochelone elegans)		0.150	
10	Ganges Soft-shell Turtle (Aspiderates gangeticus)	0.500		
Note	: The feeding regimen for above said a	inimals is adjuste	ed according to	o the seasonal

physiological needs.

In addition to feed mentioned above, essential macro & micro- minerals viz. calcium, phosphorus manganese, sulphur, copper, zinc, sodium, molybdenum, iron, chloride, Vitamins viz. Vitamin-A, Colecalciferol, Thiamine, Riboflavin, Pyridoxine, Cyanocobalamin, Nicotinamide, Ascorbic acid, Biotin, Carbohydrate, Salt is offered to animals by mixing it into daily concentrate feed for herbivores and into meat for carnivores. Taurine supplementation of meat is also done for carnivore animals of felid species. Hepato-protectant is also added to the diet of herbivore animals in form of powder to enhance the functional capacity of the liver.



Pic. 9: Photo plate showing variety of feed provided to the animals and birds of Indroda Nature Park Zoo

Sr. No.	Species	Disease vaccinated for	Name of the Vaccine and dosage/ quantity used	Periodicity
1	Felines	Feline Rhino tracheitis, Feline panleucopenia, Feline calicy virus	Fel-O-Vac PCT	Cubs of two month of age and booster dose every year
2	Canines	<ul> <li>(a) Anti Rabies</li> <li>(b) Parvo Virus</li> <li>(c) Leptospira</li> <li>(d) Canine distemper</li> <li>(e) Herpes virus</li> <li>(f) Parainfluenza</li> </ul>	Vanguard 5L4	Pups at 45 days of age and booster dose every year
3	Aves	New Castle Disease	-	If need arises in case of epidemics.

## **13. Vaccination Schedule of animals**

## 14. De-worming Schedule of animals

Sr.	Species	Drug used	Month
No.			
1	Carnivores	Ivermectin and Fenbendazole	February, May, August,
	except	(alternative)	November
	canines	Praziquentel, Pyrantel	
		Pamoate	
2	Canines	Praziquantel, Pyrantel	December, March, June,
		Pamoate, Fenbendazole	September
2	Herbivores	Ivermectin and Fenbendazole	December, March, June,
		(alternative)	September

## **15. Disinfection and Hygiene Protocol of INP Zoo**

Sr. No.	Species	Type of enclosure	Activities	Disinfectants used	Frequency
1	Carnivore (Feline, Canine, Reptiles, Aves)	Night shelter/ Cubicle	Removal of the animal excreta and leftover feed followed by cleaning with clean water. Change of Disinfection of the	- Glutaraldehyde	Daily Daily
2	Carnivore (Feline, Canine, Reptiles, Aves)	Loafing ground/ Kraal	floors Disinfection of the enclosure/Loafing Ground by spraying safe disinfectant	Glutaraldehyde	Every Monday
3	Carnivore (Feline, Canine, Reptiles, Aves)	Night shelter/ Cubicle	Ecto-parasites such as ticks, mites, etc. crevices in civil construction should be burnt with the flame stove.	-	Quarterly
4	Herbivores	Loafing ground and shed	Disinfection of the enclosure/Loafing Ground by spraying safe disinfectant	Glutaraldehyde	Every Monday
5	Reptiles and aves	Ponds	Cleaning and sanitation of pond and addition of water sanitizer (safe for aqua culture)	Sokrena	<ul> <li>Small ponds- fortnightly,</li> <li>Medium ponds- monthly,</li> <li>Large ponds- quarterly.</li> </ul>
6	All animals	All enclosures	Proper disposal of both liquid and solid wastes generated in the zoo, far away from the animal enclosure.	-	Daily

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Sr. No.	Species	Type of enclosure	Activities	Disinfectants used	Frequency
7	All animals	All enclosures	Dry organic garbage burning, far away from animal enclosure		Once in a week
8	All animals	All enclosures	All leftover food items, animal excreta and garbage removal from every enclosure and safe disposal in to garbage pit		Daily
9	All animals	All enclosures	Disposal of dead animal carcass by Burning/burial method with utmost care to prevent the spread of disease to other animal		When need arises
10	Herbivores	Open enclosures	Cleaning of water troughs of enclosure		Every alternate day

## 16. Health check-up of officers and employees of INP

Sr.	Name	Designation	Date of	Findings of
No			Health	Health
			Check up	Check up
01	Shri Riteshkumar P. Gelot	Dy. Director (R&D)	04/12/2023	Individual
02	Dr. Aniket Patel	Veterinary Officer	04/12/2023	health check
03	Shri Anupsinh C.Dodiya	Park Warden	04/12/2023	up of all staff
04	Shri Rajesh R.Makwana	Forester	04/12/2023	members
05	Shri Hiteshkumar S.Desai	Veterinary Assistant	04/12/2023	revealed
06	Shri Vikram S. Thakor	Bit guard	04/12/2023	following
07	Shri Baldevbhai Vaghela	Sweeper cum	04/12/2023	results:
08	Shri Irshad N.Theba	keeper Permanent labour	04/12/2023	no any major
09	Shri Natvarsinh A. Rathod	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	abnormalities
10	Shri Alkeshkumar R. Kori	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	or contagious
11	Shri Amrutbhai I. Prajapati	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	disease
12	Shri Sardarji Gandaji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	detected in
13	Shri Ramdhiraj Rambadar Kori	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	any of the staff member
14	Shri Govaji Masangji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	in said
15	Shri Bhagvanji R. Makawana	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	health
16	Shri Lalaji B. Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	screenings
17	Shri Pravinji V. Makawana	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
18	Shri Ranjitji Ataji Makawana	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
19	Shri Bharatji A. Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
20	Shri Dashrathji R. Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
21	Shri Mohanbhai J.Raval	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	-
22	Shri Kirankumar B. Solanki	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	-
23	Shri Jugaji Bakaji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
24	Shri Sureshkumar G. Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
25	Shri Rameshji M.Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
26	Shri Gabhabhai J. Raval	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
27	Shri Maheshkumar B. Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	

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28	Shri Narsinhji Udaji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
29	Shri Punabhai V. Raval	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
30	Shri Kanubhai B.Raval	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
31	Shri Manubhai Kalaji Makwana	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
32	Shri Maheshkumar K.Raval	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
33	Shri Amrutji Raybhanji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
34	Shri Balwantji Jalamaji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
35	Shri Somaji Abhuji Thakor	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
36	Shri Kamleshkumar T.Rathod	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
37	Shri Karmanbhai R. Desai	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	
38	Shri Baldevji A. Makwana	Permanent labour	04/12/2023	



Pic.10: Photo plate of Annual Health check up of INP Zoo Staff through empaneled SMVS Hospital at Gandhinagar

## **17.** Developmental works carried out in the Indroda Nature Park during the year2023-24.

In current year, GEER Foundation has initiated redevelopment of Indroda Nature Park as per the approved master plan of the zoo. The developmental activities carried out in the year 2023-24 are as under:

- Visitor amenities: construction of new block for the public toilet and cloak room is initiated.
- 2) Development of construction of new veterinary hospital has been initiated
- 3) Approval of enclosures for Fox, Jackal, Hyaena, Wolf and Sloth bear has been obtained from the Central Zoo Authority. The enclosure development work orders have been allotted after e-tendering procedures.
- 4) Renovation of dinosaur and fossil section of Indroda Nature Park has been initiated.
- 5) Repainting work in the enclosures of the Lion, Leopard and Tiger enclosures.
- 6) Refurbishing the hexagonal bird enclosure with artwork featuring natural scenery.

#### 18. Education and Awareness programmes during the year

#### 18.1 Education activity:

(a) Nature Education Camps: Indroda Nature Park invites school students for nature education camp of three days from different regions of Gujarat state. A batch of around 45-50 school students along with their faculty members are provided accommodation and food at the cost of GEER Foundation. The students are taught and given exposure about ecosystem, ecology, importance of nature and natural resources, wildlife etc. during nature trails, zoo visit, birding exercise, expert interactions in these three days span. The Indroda Nature Park has skilled staff i.e. nature educators to conduct these Nature Education Camps. The details of Nature Education Camps organized and conducted in Indroda Nature Park in the financial year 2023-24 are as follows:

Sr.	Section	No. of	Participants		Total
No.		camps	Students	Faculty members	
01	Indroda Nature Park (East	24	1154	89	1243
	Part)				



Pic. 11: Photo plate showing various activities conducted under Nature Education Camp organised by INP

#### b) One day programme for organised tours of trainees or college students:

On request of any educational or training institute/ academy, Indroda Nature Park under the supervision of GEER Foundation conducts special one-day exposure programme for the Forest Officer trainees (Indian Forest Services and State Forests Services), subordinate forest staff trainees and college students. This programmes focus on visit of various sections of INP and interactions with the field officers i.e. Veterinary Officer (Zoo & Wildlife), Park warden and managerial officers i.e. Dy. Director and Director. The details of organised one day programme conducted in the financial year 2023-24 are given in following table.

Sr.	Date	Detail	Number of
No			participants
1	02-09-2023	Gujarat Tour of Kozhikode Jilla Panjayath from Gandhi Padam Thedi, Kerala (Students from various schools in Kozhikode, Kerala along with the teachers (Total 110 members)	110
2	02-11-2023	Students of 7 <sup>th</sup> Semester (B.Sc. Forestry) from College of Forestry, Navsari Agricultural University, Navsari along with the faculties (Total 38 members)	38
3	16/12/2023	Officers and staff of Chetak Cammando Force Magodi- Special batch for snake awareness	80
4	21-12-2023	Forest Guard Training Batch from Kakrapar Forest Training Institute Batch 66/67 (96 Participants Male)	96
5	28-12-2023	Forest Guard Training Batch from Kakrapar Forest Training Institute Batch 65 (62 Participants Female)	62
6	21-01-2024	Students from SciKnowTech, Ahmedabad (35 Students, 25 Parents)	60
7	21-01-2024	State Forest Service Trainees from Central Academy for State Forest Academy (CASFOS), Dehradun (Total 45, 25M+20F)	45
8	25-01-2024	State Forest Service Trainees from Central Academy for State Forest Service (CASFOS), Coimbatore (Total 51, 31M + 19F)	51
9	13-03-2024	Forest Range Officers Trainees from Kundal Academy of Development, Administration and management (Forests), Kundal (Total 42, 32M + 10F)	42
10	23-03-2024	Forest Range Officers Trainees from from Chandrapur Academy of Development, Administration and Management, Chandrapur (Total 36, 26M + 16F)	36



**RFO Trainees** 

Chetak Commando Force- Snake awareness visit



College students RFO Trainees Pic. 12: Photo plate: The pictures showing the visit of students, RFO Trainees and Chetak Commandos to the INP Zoo

#### a) Bird Watching Programme:

Indroda Nature Park organises a birding programme namely "Appreciation training programme on bird ecology and conservation" popularly known as "Bird watching programme". This programme held on 4 Sundays of every month in winter season. The programme is conducted in the premise of Indroda Nature Park and Thol Bird Sanctuary. This programme is of special kind wherein, any person of any age can participate. The terrestrial bird watching is done in woodlands of Indroda Nature Park and session of wetland bird watching is conducted in the Thol bird sanctuary. The bird watching is followed by interpretative presentations of ornithologists and field experts. The bird watching programme is functionally operated by trained, skilled and experienced staff of Indroda Nature Park. The participants are charged nominal fees for the formal registration process and in return, the participants are provided hard copy of study materials, soft copy of study materials in CD-Rom. Light breakfast is provided to the participants on all four days.

In the year 2023- 2024, total two batches of January and February were conducted. Total 90 participants obtained benefits by this programme.



Pic.13: Photo plate showing various activities in Bird Watching Programme conducted in INP Zoo

- b) Awareness activities:
  - 1) World Earth Day: World Earth Day: On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April month the World earth day is celebrated worldwide. This year too, the GEER Foundation has organised an awareness programme on 22/04/2023 to celebrate the World Earth Day 2024.The GEER Foundation organised Plastic Waste Awareness cum Cleanliness Drive at Indroda Nature Park with the volunteers from Vanashree Foundation and Creative use of Plastic Waste activities at Indroda Nature Park.
  - 2) World Migratory birds Day: On 14/05/2023, the world migratory bird day was celebrated in Indroda Nature Park in association with Camera Club of Karnavati, Ahmedabad. The Indroda Nature Park had organized a bird walk in the park. Total 55 participants took part in the event. The participants were taken on a trail for observing various terrestrial birds of the park. In which their identification, behaviour, ecology and importance of birds in the eco system were discussed by the educators. Bird nest distribution was also

organized on the same day and more than 200 nests were distributed to the visitors of Indroda Nature Park.

**3) World Environment Day:** In continuation of celebration of world environment day every year, various activities related to environment conservation were carried out at Indroda Nature Park. These activities are:

**Plantation Drive at Aranya Udhyan (Indroda Nature Park – East Part):** In this drive more than 200 voulneers from Home Guard Gandhinagar Unit and Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan and staff members of the GEER Foundation did a mega plantation at Aranya Udhyan on 05-06-2023.

**One Day Seminar:** This year, the GEER Foundation organized a One Day Seminar on the World Environment Day focusing the Sustainable Lifestyle. Total 92 students from Govt. Science College, Gandhinagar and Govt. Commerce College, Modasa participated in the Seminar. During the seminar the participants were given information on various subjects like Plastic Recycling and up – cycling by Shri Mr. Aditya Shukla, Entrepreneur and Water conservation in Urban Ecosystem by Shri Mr. Lokendra Balasaria, Architect, Urban Ecologist. Participants also explored local biodiversity during the field exposure visit Indroda Nature Park.

4) World Snake Day: World Snake Day is an important day when it comes to increasing awareness about the different species of snake all around the world. Snakes tend to have a negative connotation. A lot of people are scared of snakes, and of course, we can definitely understand the reasons why! No one likes the thought of being gobbled up by a snake, do they? However, snakes are great creatures and they are so important to the world that we live in. They are our friend as they control harmful animals around us. Also they help in keeping our ecosystem healthy by playing a vital role in the food chain. To increase awareness about snakes at local level, the Indroda Nature Park- GEER Foundation has arranged one day workshop on World Snake Day 2023 (11-08-2023). The workshop with the topic of "Understanding snakes and snakebite" targeting local farmers, village residents of Gandhinagar district, snake rescue volunteers and college students was successfully organized. More than 70 villagers, 20 snake rescue volunteers and 20 college students participated into the programme. Participants were given information on subjects like Basics of Snakes and addressing blind faith of

Snakebite Envenomation, Snakebite Management, a brief about basic and advanced level treatment of snake bites, treatment facilities for envenomation in Gandhinagar district. The participants were also provided the field exposure visit at Indroda Nature Park zoo snake house.





Pic.14: Photo plate of One day workshop on "Understanding snakes and snakebite" at GEER Foundation, Gandhinagar.

**5) World Lion Day:** The GEER Foundation also celebrated the World Lion Day 2023 on 10-08-2023 with 97 students of Balram Anudanit Ashram Shala, Gandhinagar and Adarsh Kanya Shala, Gandhinagar. Awareness activity included the visit to carnivorous section at INP Zoo for understanding the big cats like Asiatic Lion and expert talk. During the programme, the students learnt many things about Asiatic Lions such as their habitat and its conservation, importance of apex predators, importance of Asiatic Lions in Gir Forest ecosystem etc.



Pic. 15: Photos of World Lion Day celebration

**6) Wildlife week:** Indroda Nature Park under guidance and supervision of GEER Foundation organizes various activities during the Wildlife Week every year. For the Wildlife Week 2023 too, Indroda Nature Park organized following activities:

#### **INTRODUCTION**

From time immemorial, our wildlife has been closely associated with our legendary beliefs and our folklores, with our epics and our history. Our lives would be very much poorer without these varied forms that build up the balance of nature. Wildlife preservation in fact implies active and planned wildlife management under which all forms of life would progress side by side with human progress, each in its own sphere of influence and utility and without any detriment to human interests. In fact, it is with thisend in view that wildlife sanctuaries and national parks have been established and developed in suitable localities all over the country. Therefore, in order to create a general awakening in the common man in favour of protection of wildlife, the Indian Board for wildlife decided to observe the Wildlife Week during October 2-8 every year. Since then, every year during October 2 to 8, governments, environmentalists, activists, educators organize different activities to accelerate the awareness of wildlife conservation among people.

Being Ecological Education one of its primary mandate the GEER Foundation organizes various wildlife awareness programmes every to celebrate the Wildlife Week. For the Wildlife Week 2023 too, the Foundation organized various activities for spreading awareness on wildlife conservation. This year the theme for the Wildlife Week was "Recovering key species for ecosystem restoration" In Indroda Nature Park, The GEER Foundation, Gandhinagar organised various activities like;

- Free entry into Indroda Nature Park and Aranya park, Gandhinagar
- Bird Walk and Expert Talk on Birds of Gujarat
- One Day Training for students on Fundamentals of Habitat
- Distribution of various resource materials
- Field Exposure visits
- Wildlife Photography Competition for wildlife photographers of Gujarat
- Wildlife Photography and Painting Exhibition at Indroda Nature Park

- Students workshops and trainings
- Training of frontline staff of forest department
- Wildlife photographers workshop etc.

#### ACTIVITIES AT GANDHINAGAR (INDRODA NATURE PARK, ARANYA UDHYAN)

#### October 02-08, 2023

#### Free Entry to Indroda Nature Park and Aranya Udhyan during the Wildlife Week 2023

During the Wildlife Week 2023, the visitors were given free entry into Indroda Nature Park and Aranya Udhyan to create mass awareness on Wildlife Conservation. Following are the details of the visitors during the Wildlife Week 2023.

Sr. No.	Place	Adults	Children	Total
1	Indroda Nature Park	5004	2048	7052
2	Aranya Udyan	108	09	117
	Total	5112	2057	7169

#### October 02, 2022 Bird Walk – Knowing birds around us

A special "Bird Walk" was organized on 02-10-2023. Participants include 35 bird enthusiast from Gandhinagar. Shri R.B. Solanki, Dy. Director (EE), GEER Foundation interacted with the participants and talked about importance of co-existence with wildlife and also had a bird watching trail guided by Shri Alap Pandit, Programme Officer (EE), and Shri Irshad Theba at Indroda Nature Park.

#### October 03, 2023

#### Fundamentals of Habitat – One Day Training for College Students

During the Wildlife Week 2023, the GEER Foundation organized One Day Training for College Students on "Fundamentals of Habitat". Dr. Sandeep Mujnpara, RA provided information on Fundamentals of Habitats and Types of Habitats, Dr. Devanshi Joshi, RA (Fauna) provided information on Important Wildlife Habitats of Gujarat and practical sessions on use of GPS & RS GIS in Habitat Conservation along with the visit of Environment Monitoring and Research Laboratory at GEER Foundation was also organized. Total 83 participants from Govt. Science College, Bavla (Ahmedabad) and Govt. Science College, Gandhinagar participated in the program.

#### October 04, 2023 Exploring the Wildlife Around Us

A special nature exploration visit "Exploring the Wildlife Around Us" was organised on 04-10-2023 at Indroda Nature Park. More than 50 students of Navabobha Primary School Kapadvanj participated into the program with great enthusiasm.

#### October 06-08, 2023 Wildlife Photography Exhibition

An exhibition on wildlife photography was organised as a part of Wildlife week celebration between 06-08 October, 2023. The visitors visiting the Indroda Nature Park took advantage of the photography exhibition.



Pic.16: Photoplate showing pictures of Wildlife Photography Exhibition and Leopard display release ceremony organised at INP Zoo





Pic. 17: Bird Walk as a part of Wildlife week celebration at INP Zoo

Pic. 18: Exploring wildlife around us – Wildlife week at INP Zoo



Pic. 19: Showcasing the shortlisted wildlife photos from the exhibition to Hon. Chief Minister of Gujarat Shri Bhupendra Patel and Principal Secretary, Forest Department, Gujarat Shri Sanjeev Kumar, IAS.

#### Mass mobilization of Mission LiFE:

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF & CC), Government of India envisages to celebrate the World Environment Day 2023 with a thrust on the Mission LiFE. The concept of Mission LiFE, introduced by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, aims to promote sustainable living by encouraging individuals to make changes in their lifestyles and emphasizes responsible and conscious use of resources to safeguard and conserve the environment.

To generate widespread awareness and advocacy for LiFE across India, a month-long

mass mobilization campaign on Mission LiFE was organized across the country. The GEER Foundation had organized various activities during 05-05-2024 to 05-06-2024 to spreade the message of Mission LiFE – Lifestyle for Environment to the community in Indroda Nature Park. Numbers of visitors and students had actively participated in various activities under Mission LiFE. Various activities were carried out as per the directions of Central Zoo Authority and the details were regularly updated on dedicated online portal of Mission LiFE.

SN	Date	Theme	Activity
1.	05-05-2023 to	Healthy	Dissemination of information on Eco-friendly
	05-06-2023	Lifestyle	wedding concept to the visitors of Indroda
		Adopted	Nature Park
2.	05-05-2023 to	Single Use	Enforcing ban on Single use Plastic in Indroda
	05-06-2023	Plastic	Nature Park / Aranya Udhyan /Hingolgadh
		Reduces	Sanctuary
3.	05-05-2023 to	Mission LiFE	Co-branding Mission Life through banners &
	05-06-2023		standees at Indroda Nature Park
4.	05-05-2023 to	Healthy	Lifestyle for Environment Pledge Point for
	05-06-2023	Lifestyle	visitors at Indroda Nature Park
		Adopted	
5.	07-05-2023	Single Use	Plastic waste clean up drive at Indroda Nature
		Plastic	Park boundary. Bring back waste from nature.
		Reduces	Celebration along with volunteers of TCS and
			Aditya trust under mass mobilization of
			Mission LiFE - Lifestyle For Environment
6.	08-05-2023 to	e-Waste	E-waste collection from public and disposal in
	14-05-2023	Reduces	scientific way activity at Indroda Nature Park.
			A collection centre for e-waste was created
			jointly by the GEER Foundation and Nisarg
			Science Community Center at Indroda Nature
			Park, Gandhinagar
7.	09-05-2023	Mission LiFE	Taking Oath under Mission LiFE to live the life
			in accordance with environment by the staff
			members of Indroda Nature Park and GEER
			Foundation at pledge point of Indroda Nature
			Park.
8.	14-05-2023 to	Mission LiFE	Donate old Books Campaign: Unused book
	04-05-2023		donation and distribution of donated books to
			the needful person. A collection and
			distribution centre was created at Indroda
			Nature Park
9.	11-05-2023	Mission LiFE	One Day Workshop on Sustainable Lifestyle
			for Talati cum Mantri. The batch was given
			the Green Talk By Keeper and Guide.
10.	14-05-2023	Healthy	Bird walk & awareness on bird conservation

#### Activities carried out by GEER Foundation (05-05-2023 to 05-06-2023)

SN	Date	Theme	Activity
		Lifestyle	under Mission LiFE
11.	14-05-2023	Adopted Mission Life	Bird Nest and water pot distribution
11.	14-05-2023	Healthy	Awareness campaign on promoting Millets in
12.	11 05 2025	Lifestyle	diet. Importance of incorporation of various
		Adopted	Millets in the diet was disseminated to the
			visitors of Indroda Nature Park. The visitors
			could see, touch and explore the varieties of
			millets at the kiosk.
13.	20-05-2023	Mission LiFE	Cycle Ralley and awareness campaign on Mission LiFE at Gandhinagar
14.	21-05-2023	Healthy	Eco Art activity at Indroda Nature Park
		Lifestyle	5
		Adopted	
15.	23-05-2023	Mission LiFE	Wildlife Awareness Tour at Indroda Nature
			Park jointly with Gujarati Forest Department,
10	24.05.2022	M: : 1:00	Training Division
16.	24-05-2023	Mission LiFE	Green Talk By Keeper and Guide. The visitors
			coming in the Indroda Nature Park Zoo were introduced to Mission Life and its importance
			by Keeper and Guide. The information on
			initiative taken by zoo keeper were
			disseminated to the visitors
17.	28-05-2023	Healthy	Eco friendly clay work & pottery at Indroda
		Lifestyle	Nature Park
		Adopted	
18.	28-05-2023	Healthy	Awareness Campaign on medicinal plants and
		Lifestyle	its importance in sustainable lifestyle practices
19.	04-06-2023	Adopted Healthy	Seed ball making at Indroda Nature Park
17.	01 00 2025	Lifestyle	beed buil making at maroud nature rank
		Adopted	
20.	04-06-2023	Healthy	Plastic waste reuse (Greening Your Home) at
		Lifestyle	Inroda Nature Park
		Adopted	
21.	04-06-2023	Mission LiFE	Street Play by GPCB Team at Indroda Nature
22	04.06.2022	Haalther	Park (Two Times: Fore Noon / After Noon)
22.	04-06-2023	Healthy Lifestyle	Eco Art Activity at Indroda Nature Park
		Adopted	
23.	05-06-2023	Mission LiFE	One Day Workshop on Sustainable Lifestyle
			under Mission LiFE
24.	05-06-2023	Healthy	Plantation at Aranya Park
		Lifestyle	
25		Adopted	
25.	05-05-2023 to 05-06-2023	Mission LiFE	Stamping of Mission Life Logo on tickets at
	05-06-2023		the Entry check points of Indroda Nature Park under Mission LiFE from 5 <sup>th</sup> May,2023 to 5 <sup>th</sup>
			June, 2023 to spread awareness on Mission
			LiFE.
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#### Activities carried out under Mission LiFE



Pic. 20 and 21: Bird Nest Distribution at INP Zoo



Pic. 22 and 23: Plastic Waste collection drive at INP Zoo





Pic. 24 and 25: Eco Art Activity at INP Zoo





Pic. 26 and 27: Green Talk by keeper and staff at INP Zoo



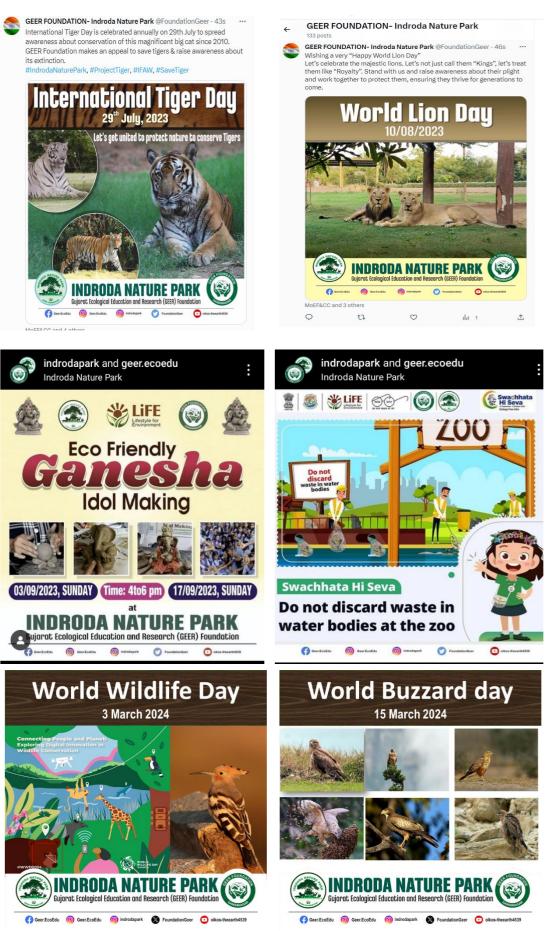
Pic. 28: Green Talk by keeper and staff- Talati Batch at INP Zoo

#### **Social Media Outreach**

The GEER Foundation continued to spread public awareness on nature, forests, protection of environment, wildlife, natural history and conservation through various modes and methods. During the year 2023-24, Indroda Nature Park and GEER Foundation started its connection to general public through social media. The information of celebration of days and weeks, important events and activities were intimated to general public through online posts on various online platforms such as Instagram (indrodapark), Twitter (FoundationGeer) and YouTube Channel (oikos-theearth4539) to create environmental awareness and sensitize citizens as well as visitors. The glimpses of the posts are given below. In the year 2023-24 total 224 online posts were created on instagram handle and 73 on Twitter.



Pic. 29 and 30: Social media outreach posts



Pic. 31,32,33,34,35 and 36: Social media outreach posts

## **19. Important Events and happenings**

#### Wildlife Photography Exhibition:

The GEER Foundation hosted a Wildlife Photography competition for passionate photographers in Gujarat under the theme "Click the Wild." The competition featured five categories: Butterflies, Birds, Landscapes, Mammals, and Reptiles, and received over 265 entries. Selected submissions were showcased at the Wildlife Photography Exhibition, alongside a curated selection of over 100 photographs by distinguished wildlife photographers from Gujarat.

Highlighting the exhibition were Best Out of Waste articles crafted by Eco Club schools, with more than 70 exceptional pieces on display.

#### Display release ceremony of new leopard pair:

Indroda Nature Park welcomed a pair of leopards from Sakkarbaug Zoo, Junagadh in August 2023. Following the completion of their quarantine period, the leopards were introduced to visitors on October 6, 2023. The ceremony was conducted in presence of Shri S. K. Chaturvedi, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of the Forest Force) of Gujarat State, Shri N. Srivastava, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden of Gujarat State, and Shri R. K. Sugoor, Director of the GEER Foundation.

#### State level Eco-fair:

The state level eco fair was organized with the objective of depicting the activities of eco clubs form 09 and 10 March,2024 at Indroda Nature Park, Gandhinagar. Total 25 teachers and 50 students from 21 schools from 13 different districts participated in the Eco fair. The eco clubs exhibited various eco models and activities of eco clubs in the exhibition. More than 3000 visitors got the benefit from the eco fair.



Pic.37 and 38: Photos showing state level Eco-Fair at INP Zoo



Pic.39 and 40: Photos showing state level Eco-Fair at INP Zoo

#### > Events organized for staff members.

- i. Certificate awarding on the Independence Day, 2023: Certificates were awarded to outstanding officers/employees, including zoo keepers, on Independence Day. The details are as follows:
  - 1. Shri Amrutbhai I. Prajapati, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 2. Shri Alkesh R. Kori, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 3. Shri Vishnuji B. Thakor, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 4. Shri Jagdishbhai S. Prajapati, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 5. Shri Lalaji Govindji Thakor, Rojamdar Shramyogi
- ii. Certificate awarding on the Republic Day, 2024: Certificates were awarded to outstanding officers/employees, including zoo keepers, on the republic day The details are as follows:
  - 1. Shri Natvarsinh A. Rathod, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 2. Shri Ranjitji A. Makwana, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 3. Shri Maheshkumar K. Raval, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 4. Shri Bharatsinh R. Rathod, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 5. Shri Ajitji Bhikhaji Makwana, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 6. Shri Kalubhai Jotibhai Dindor, Rojamdar Shramyogi
  - 7. Shri Karanji A. Thakor, Rojamdar Shramyogi



Pic.41: Photoplate showing Award ceremony for INP Zoo staff at GEER Foundation Office.

## 20. Seasonal special arrangements for upkeep of animals and Zoo Animal care & Veterinary Section:

Indroda Nature Park Zoo ensures the well-being of its captive wild animals through various measures tailored to seasonal challenges:

- Winter:
  - During winter, the quantity of feed for carnivore animals are increased.
  - Canvas/Gunny bag curtains are draped on the doors and windows of night shelters to shield against cold winds and prevent hypothermia.
  - Dry crop straw is stacked inside animal shelters for insulation.
  - Nylon net curtains are placed around aviary enclosures for added warmth.
  - Hiding dens are created in the reptile enclosures.
  - Heating bulbs with earthen pots are placed in the snake house.
- Summer:
  - Sprinklers have been installed in the enclosures of carnivore animals for periodical spraying of mist in the animal enclosures to cool down the ambient temperature.
  - Water-based air coolers are employed during peak heat hours.
  - Carnivore animals are provided the ice popsicles in summer season as a part of food enrichment
  - Khus curtains are hung around enclosures and regularly sprayed with water to lower the temperature.
  - Rehydrating supplements are mixed into the animals' drinking water and feed.
  - Continuous spray of water surrounding the enclosures provides relief from the high temperature.
- Monsoon:
  - Feeding cubicles and night shelters are kept clean and dry.
  - Animals are sheltered inside cubicles during heavy rain to prevent continuous wetting.
  - Quick lime powder is sprayed to minimize disease risks associated with the monsoon season.

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Pic.42 and 43: Photos showing Summer Management activities



Pic. 44 and 45: Photos showing Winter management activities

#### > Zoo Animal care and Veterinary Section:

Indroda Nature Park Zoo is currently undergoing significant redevelopment in accordance with an approved master plan. In the near future, the zoo will introduce multiple new species of carnivores, herbivores, birds, and reptiles. With the increasing cases of human-wildlife conflicts day by day, there is an urgent need for experienced wildlife personnel to focus on their rescue and rehabilitation. The rescued animals require proper care and rehabilitation facilities. Indroda Nature Park will serve as a referral center for wildlife care and rehabilitation. Due to the growing demand, there is a need to establish a new, modern veterinary hospital. The Government of Gujarat has approved the budget for establishing this hospital at Indroda Nature Park. The GEER foundation has already begun developing state-of-the-art infrastructure for the veterinary hospital on the park's premises. This upcoming hospital will also cater services to the rescued wildlife of the North Gujarat region.

The new veterinary hospital will be equipped with all necessary infrastructure, equipment, and instruments to conduct minor and major surgical interventions, diagnostic procedures, treatments, and rehabilitation. It will also provide shortand long-term care for rescued wild animals, as well as neonatal care for young wild animals.

The present veterinary hospital of Indroda Nature Park was established to take care of captive wild animals of Indroda Nature Park with following facilities. (1) Treatment room, (2) Medicine and equipment store room (3) Veterinary Officer's chamber. The unit has a post-operative isolation ward, an open yard, avian enclosure and treatment/trap cages of various sizes for the treatment and post treatment holding of the wild animals and birds at the hospital. The unit is well cordoned with compound wall to secure the sick animals and birds. The unit is taken care of by full time Veterinary Officer, Veterinary Assistant and Hospital/ field assistant. Veterinary hospital is equipped with following equipment and instruments:

Sr. No.	Instrument/ Equipment	No. of units
01	Hydraulic operation table	01
02	Syringe projector	01
03	Dart gun	01
04	Blow pipe	01
05	Portable stretcher on wheel	01
06	Multiparameter monitor	01
07	Electro cautery	01
08	Suction apparatus	01
09	Operation theatre halogen light apparatus	01
10	Compound light microscope	01
11	Fumigator	01
12	Small animal surgery kit	01
13	Large animal surgery kit	01
14	Nursing trolley	01
15	Medicine storage and instrument cupboards	02
16	Reference books store cupboards	01
17	Refrigerator	01
18	Instrument sterilizer	01
19	Formalin chamber	01
20	Autoclave	01
21	Weighing scale (Digital) (500kg capacity)	01
22	Centrifuge machine	01

Apart from above said instruments and equipment, veterinary hospital keeps sufficient stock of various drugs, medicines and feed supplements for treatment of the captive wild animals of the zoo. For specialized veterinary interventions, Veterinary Officer of the zoo obtains help of Department of Animal Husbandry (Govt. of Gujarat), Kamdhenu University (Veterinary Division) and Veterinary College (Anand Agricultural University).

The glimpses of important veterinary interventions of Indroda Nature Park during the year 2023-24 are as under:

2. Indroda Nature Park had developed protocol for artificial incubation of python

eggs. This year, one female indian rock python had laid eggs which was successfully incubated to hatching of 14 beautiful baby rock pythons. The young babies were provided neonatal care just after their birth. After few days of their birth the babies started dying all of a sudden followed by their first ecdysis procedure. The immediate veterinary intervention saved total 11 young ones from deadly neonatal respiratory infection. The python babies were taken in to intensive post-natal care for 3-4 months. The babies were provided sufficient healthy diet, hiding areas, floor bedding and suitable environment. Such intensive care contributed to normal growth and nearly tripling of their body weight in just 4 months.

- 3. The lion named Sutra, aged approximately 16 years, was diagnosed with irreversible hepatic insufficiency in December 2022. The animal's condition deteriorated severely between February and April 2023. Intensive care and treatment were provided, including one and a half months of intravenous fluid and medication infusions as life support. Thanks to this dedicated care, the lion recovered significantly from the illness. However, due to his advanced age, the clinical signs of hepatic insufficiency reappeared with greater severity in August. Despite the best efforts of the veterinary team at Indroda Nature Park, Sutra collapsed and unfortunately succumbed to his condition. Sutra was the first Asiatic Lion at Indroda Nature Park Zoo.
- 4. The 20-year-old tigress, Srushti, developed a pyometra condition last year, which was cured successfully. Despite her advanced age, she continued to undergo a normal estrus cycle. After completing 3-4 months of her estrus cycle, she again developed pyometra in month of May, 2023. With intensive treatment and care, she was successfully cured of pyometra. However, due to multiple senile degenerative changes, the tigress passed away in November 2023 at the age of 20 years.
- 5. On June 20, 2023, the veterinary team of Indroda Nature Park Zoo assisted the Department of Forests, Government of Gujarat, during the Rathyatra procession in Ahmedabad city. A total of 15 Asian elephants (14 females and 1 male) were part of the procession throughout the day along the designated route. Approximately 25 lakh devotees participated in this sacred procession. The team provided assistance to ensure the elephants' participation was safe and without incident, preventing any mishaps or accidents during the event.
- 6. Indroda Nature Park Zoo received a pair of orphaned Jungle Cat young ones at approximately 3-4 weeks of age, requiring neonatal care from Mahesana Division of Forest Department. Followed by failure of all efforts of local staff to reunite mother & babies, the kittens were shifted to Indroda Nature Park for neonatal care. The babies received round-the-clock attention, including timely feeding of appropriate food, suitable housing, floor bedding, and preventive healthcare measures. Out of the pair, one male Jungle Cat survived and grew to become a sub-adult.

- 7. The Veterinary Officer of GEER Foundation, Dr. Aniket B. Patel was selected as a mentor from the wildlife sector of Gujarat state for the Pilot batch of SectorConnect programme jointly organized by the National Center for Disease Control (NCDC), New Delhi and Department of Animal Husbandry (DoAH), Government of Gujarat. SectorConnect was a three-month in-service educational program focused on field epidemiological training using a One Health approach. Dr. Patel successfully completed his mentorship in this course.
- 8. Every year on January 14-15, the Makar Sankranti festival is celebrated throughout the state of Gujarat. Unfortunately, during this festival, many birds are injured by kite threads. To address this issue at Gandhinagar, Indroda Nature Park organizes a bird treatment and rehabilitation camp. This year, in collaboration with the local forest division, the park hosted the camp at the Urja Range nursery premises at Ch-0 circle. From January 13 to 17, the entire veterinary staff dedicated themselves to this noble cause. The camp successfully treated and reintroduced several important bird species such as black kite, sotted owlet, mynah, Asian koel, rose ringed parakeet back into their natural habitat.
- 9. The Veterinary Officer of GEER Foundation was deputed to 52<sup>nd</sup> Airforce wing at Deesa, Banaskantha district by the Chief wildlife warden of Gujarat state as Boma expert to safely capture the large herbivore- bluebulls. The veterinary officer has successfully provided his inputs in designing the framework of boma and plan out the strategy to safely capture the animal and their secure shifting to other place leveraging his experience and knowledge. Using the boma technique, the forest department had successfully captured around 200 bluebulls and shifted to secured place.
- 10. The Central Zoo Authority has established norms and guidelines for the scientific management of zoos nationwide, emphasizing regular checks on the quality of feed and water provided to the animals, which are crucial for maintaining wild animals' good health. Indroda Nature Park, has been instructed to conduct pre-slaughter pathological tests on the food animals. Accordingly, the tender terms specify that meat suppliers may only provide meat from animals slaughtered at the Municipal Corporation slaughterhouse of Ahmedabad. Here, the Veterinary Officer (AMC) examines and permits the slaughter, and suppliers must submit daily slips to Indroda Nature Park indicating payment of slaughter fees. Additionally, since March 2023, Indroda Nature Park has implemented a random testing protocol to ensure further compliance with these guidelines.

In order to ensure top-notch meat production and processing for the carnivores at Indroda Nature Park zoo, a structured protocol has been implemented. This protocol includes conducting random ante-mortem examinations of buffaloes and gathering samples for pathological testing at a government laboratory. The laboratory promptly delivers results, which are used to instruct suppliers to provide meat sourced from healthy, disease-free animals. This process is carried

out biweekly. Veterinary personnel, in collaboration with the veterinary officer, visit the Ahmedabad slaughterhouse every fifteen days to perform ante-mortem examinations, collect samples, and submit them to the Animal Disease Investigation Office in Ahmedabad for further analysis. Based on the findings from the laboratory, instructions are then issued to ensure that disease-free meat is supplied by the vendor.

- 11. The veterinary team of Indroda Nature Park has conducted successful translocation of a pair of leopard and a pair of lion from sakkarbaug Zoo Junagadh in the month of August, 2023 and March ,2024 respectively.
- 12. The Veterinary Officer had successfully conducted and coordinated annual meeting of health advisory committee in the month of March, 2023.
- 13. This year, the GEER Foundation established a significant partnership with Kamdhenu University aimed at enhancing healthcare services for wildlife. The collaboration was formalized through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed on February 1, 2024. This agreement marks a proactive step towards leveraging the expertise of subject matter specialists from Kamdhenu University in veterinary science and animal husbandry for the benefit wild animals

Apart from these activities, the veterinary hospital carries out prophylactic measures to prevent various diseases and disorders by means of annual vaccination deworming at every three months interval. Routine sanitation measures i.e. cleaning of enclosures, debris and leftover removal & disposal, disinfection are supervised by the veterinary hospital. Aquatic ponds in the enclosures are routinely emptied, cleaned and refilled with clean potable water at regular interval to prevent water borne infections in animals and birds.



Pic.46 and 47: Photos of Veterinary Intervention at INP Zoo



Pic. 48: Veterinary hospital at INP Zoo

Pic. 49: Treatment of infection in python babies



Pic. 50: Photoplate showing treatment & care of wild animals at hospital and ante mortem examination of feed animals

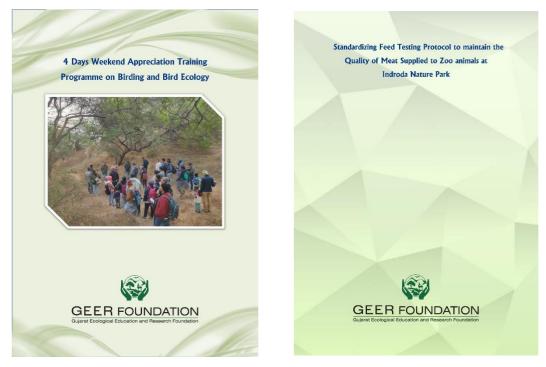
## 21. Research Work carried out and publications 21.1 Research work:

In the year 2023-24, the following research/ scientific articles/ short notes have been prepared on "Best practices adopted by the zoo".

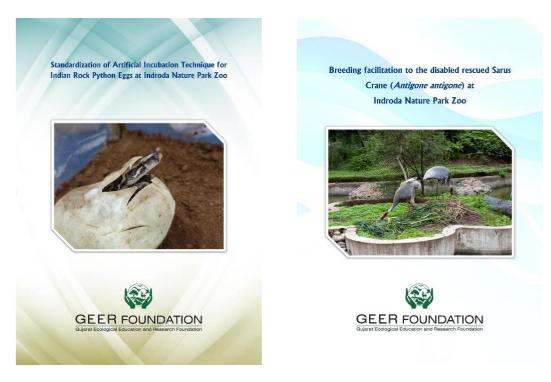
Sr. no.	Topic of research/scientific article/short note
01	Standardization of Artificial Incubation Technique for Indian Rock
	Python Eggs at Indroda Nature Park Zoo
02	Standardizing Feed Testing Protocol to maintain the Quality of Meat
	Supplied to Zoo animals at Indroda Nature Park
03	4 Days Weekend Appreciation Training Programme on Birding and
	Bird Ecology
04	Breeding facilitation to the disabled rescued Sarus Crane (Antigone
	antigone) at Indroda Nature Park Zoo

The aforesaid notes were submitted to the Central Zoo Authority for its publication in the compendium of best practices adopted by the zoo.

In the current year 2023-24, a short-term studies within zoo areas was undertaken by students pursuing their postgraduate studies and doing dissertation in GEER Foundation. A significant study focused on the behaviour of free-ranging Hanuman Langurs (*Semnopithecus entellus*) in and around the Indroda Nature Park Zoo was conducted. A detailed report of this study is under preparation for submission.



Pic. 51 and 52: Scientific Shortnotes submitted to CZA for compendium



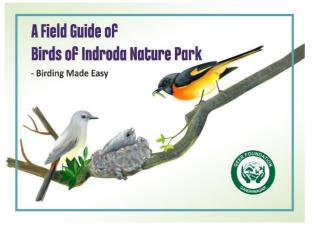
Pic. 53 and 54: Scientific Shortnotes submitted to CZA for compendium

#### 21.2 Publication:

The GEER Foundation has published two important publication in the year 2023-24. The details are as under:

#### • A Field Guide of Birds of Indroda Nature Park:

With over 55% of the global population residing in urban areas, there is a growing emphasis on enhancing the well-being of individuals within these environments. This focus is manifesting through the



safeguarding of natural surroundings and the biodiversity they encompass. Urban biodiversity, encompassing animal and plant species within city settlements, is now recognized as a gauge of the urban ecosystem's health.

Gujarat, an exponentially developing state, is endowed with numerous

greenspaces in its urbanized areas. Among these, Indroda Nature Park stands out as a verdant gem in Gandhinagar, the greenest city in Gujarat. Situated amidst the built environment of the state capital, this 428hectare wilderness oasis provides visitors with a vibrant natural experience. The richness of trees, plants, and a myriad of bird species contribute to the park's wilderness ambiance, filling the air with melodious songs and colorful plumage of diverse avian fauna. While bird watching has gained momentum as a hobby, bird photography has also surged in popularity. In this rapidly changing landscape, more visitors are drawn to promising birding locations like Indroda Nature Park.

In Indroda Nature Park, total of 212 species of birds have been recorded out of which about 105 have been found to nest in the Park. Identifying bird species is a challenge eagerly embraced by every bird watcher and nature enthusiast. To facilitate this, a comprehensive and well-illustrated field guide for the region becomes essential. Recognizing the palpable need for such a guide in Indroda Nature Park, this book aims to assist bird watchers, school-college students, front-line staff of the forest department, naturalists, ornithologists and any nature enthusiast in identifying avian species. The guide is poised to be a valuable resource for birders exploring every nook of Indroda Nature Park.

## 22. Conservation Breeding Programme of the Zoo

#### 22.1: Indian Rock Python conservation breeding:

Indroda Nature Park houses Indian Rock Python for display to the visitors. In the year 2023, before starting of breeding season, potential male and female pythons were kept together for breeding. Successful mating of python resulted in laying of eggs by a female python on 18/05/2023. This time the female had laid two different clutches of eggs, both had 07 eggs. Out of two clutches, the female started incubating clutch—comprising of seven eggs. The remaining clutch-2 comprising of seven more eggs was abandoned. The clutch-2 was taken in to artificial incubation wherein, the incubation chamber was made as protocol set in the year 2015 by Indroda Nature Park Zoo. Humidity and temperature was maintained regularly and it was monitored by the HTC HD-303 temperature and humidity meter. After completion of 45 days of incubation period the clutch of

artificial incubation was checked for vitality through egg candling. All eggs were showing development of blood vessels and two eggs were showing foetal movements inside.

On other side, the female python was provided all comfort and care during natural incubation of the eggs of clutch-1. After 50 days, the female left out the eggs after completing more than 80% of incubation. The clutch-1 was also taken in to artificial chamber for remaining incubation and hatching. All eggs of clutch were examined and appeared healthy and viable. No dead egg with saprophytic organism (fungus, mould) growth was observed.

The clutch-1 (natural + artificial) hatched out on 20/07/2023. Total 7 python babies were born in the batch-1. The clutch-2 (completely artificial) hatched out 22/07/2023. In this batch-2, total 7 more younglings of python were born. All 14 babies were provided neonatal care and kept in the veterinary hospital for observation and further care for initial days.

As a part of conservation breeding programme, the permission to release the young babies of Indian Rock Python was obtained from the Chief Wildlife Warden and all 11 survived young ones were release in to nature till their disappearance and hiding in their habitat after.



Pic.: 55: Photo plate showing hatchlings of Indian rock python at the time of birth at INP Zoo

#### 22.2: Free range House Sparrow conservation breeding:

The observation of depletion in numbers of free ranging house sparrow have been done in the premise of Indroda Nature Park before three-four years. In the current year, the plan for conservation breeding of common house sparrow was taken in to consideration and implementation as under:

- 1. Identification of potential and safe sites for placement of bird nests
- 2. Secure placement of bird nests at identified sites
- 3. Continuous distant observation of bird's involvement in creating nest for egg laying

and incubation.

- 4. Provision of high protein diet to the chick rearing birds.
- 5. Securing breeding birds and chicks from the predators.

Through employing aforesaid plan, this year total more than 37 chicks were successfully born and entered in their natural habitat. The details of placement of bird nests and hatching success is given in the below mentioned table:

Sr. No.	Nest Placement site	Successfully chick birth	Remarks
1	Lion cage	04 chicks	More than 37 chicks
2	Tiger cage	04 chicks	successfully grown up.
3	Leopard cage	07 chicks	чр.
4	Park office	01 chick	
5	Rest house	01 chick	
6	Crocodile point	01 chick	



Pic.: 56: Photo plate showing free range House sparrow breeding at INP Zoo

#### 22.3 Painted stork conservation breeding:

During the year 2023-24, the Painted stork successfully bred and given two hatchling on 24/11/2023. The parent birds reared the chick. Both the chick successfully grown up.



Pic.: 57: Photo plate showing breeding of Painted stork at INP Zoo

#### 22.4 Marsh crocodile conservation breeding:

During the year 2023-24, various crocodile females have given birth to 34 young ones. The young ones were kept in the maternal care for 6-8 months and weaned after completion of winter and shifted to the neo natal care unit for the marsh crocodiles.

# 23. Animal acquisition / transfer / exchange during the year

A.	Animals arriv	ring in the Zoo			
	House No.	Species	Number	From which	Date of arrival
			(M:F)	Zoo	in the zoo
	Leopard enclosure	Leopards	М	Sakkarbaug zoological park, junagadh	01-09-2023
	Leopard enclosure	Leopards	F	Sakkarbaug zoological park, junagadh	01-09-2023
	Lion enclosure	Lion	М	Sakkarbaug zoological park, junagadh	28-03-2024
	Lion enclosure	Lion	F	Sakkarbaug zoological park, junagadh	28-03-2024
			Nil		
В.	Animals goin	g from the zoo			
	H.NO.	Species	Numb er (M:F: U)	Going to which Zoo	Date of disposition from the zoo
			Nil		

# 24. Rescue and Rehabilitation of wild animals carried out by the Zoo

Re	escue operatio	ons and rehabi	litation works ca	rried out in the year 2023-24
Sr. No.	Date	Species, (M:F:U), Number of animals	Place	Details of operations
1	02/08/2023	Jackal 1(M)	Bolundra village of Idar Dist:- Sabarkantha	The Animal was rescued by the Forest department and brought to Indroda Nature Park for Intensive Care.
2	07/09/2023 to 08/09/2023	Leopard (M)	GAIL Processing unit, Rosa Tankariya village Dist:- Bharuch	Planning to trap the male leopard from the campus of Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL). Knowledge sharing to the staff and officers of GAIL about the procedure for safe capture of leopard.
3	16/11/2023	Jungle cat 2 : (1 M, 1 F)	Morvad village, Vijapur Dist:- Mehsana	The Animal was rescued by the Forest department and brought to Indroda Nature Park for "Neo Natal Care".
4	21/12/2023	Leopard (F)	At Modhuka Village, Dist. Sabarkantha	Successful rescue of female leopard entered in the human dominated area. Immediately after rescue, the female leopard was subjected to the surgical intervention on account of major injury caused by the mob of villagers. After recovery, the forest department had reintroduced the animal back in to its natural habitat.
5	22/12/2023	Leopard	At Kadjodara Village, Taluka: Dahegam, Dist. Gandhinagar	The free ranging leopard entered in the agricultural farms of village. The animal had injured multiple villagers. Despite of whole day dedicated efforts by the Indroda Nature Park team and forest department, the animal couldn't be captured. The animal disappeared towards forest areas in night hours.



Pic.58: Photo plate showing wildlife rescue and post rescue surgical intervention by INP Veterinary Officer and team

# 25. Annual Inventory of animals of INP Zoo

	ANNUA	L INVI	ENTOR	Y REF	PORT O	F AF	PRIL	-202	3 TO	MAR	CH-20	024										
	INDRODA	NATU	JRE PA	RK, G	EER Fo	ound	atio	n, Ga	ndhi	nagar	, GUJ	ARA'	Т									
Sr.	Animal Name / Scientific Name	0	)penin	g stoc	k		Birt	h	Ac	quisit	ion	D	ispo	sal	] ]	Deat	h	Closing stock				
No.		М	F	U	Т	Μ	F	U	Μ	F	U	Μ	F	U	Μ	F	U	М	F	U	Т	
	Other than endangered species Birds			-						-								-				
1	Northern Pintail (Anas acuta)	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	
2	Grayleg Goose (Anser anser)	0	0	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	
3	Bar-Headed Goose (Anser indicus)	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	
4	Sarus Crane (Antigone antigone)	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	
5	Lesser Whisthing Duck (Dendrecygna javanica)	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	
6	Littlle Egret (Egretta garretta)	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	
7	Common Crane (Grus grus)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
8	Brahminy Kite (Haliastur indus)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
9	Little Cormorant (Microcarbo niger)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	
10	Painted Stork (Mycteria leucocephala)	1	2	6	9	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	2	11	
11	Black crowned Night Heron ( <i>Nycticorax</i> nycticorax)	0	0	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	
12	Great White Pelican (Pelecanus onocrotalus)	1	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	5	
13	Alexandrine Parakeet (Psittacula eupatria)	10	13	0	23	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	13	3	26	
14	Rose-ringed Parakeet (Psittacula krameri)	2	4	0	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	1	7	
15	Knob-billed duck (Sarkidiornis sylvicolas)	3	2	17	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	14	19	
16	Black-headed Ibis (Threskiornis melanocephalus)	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	
17	Common Barn Owl ( <i>Tyto alba</i> )	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	
	Total Birds	23	28	61	112	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	25	32	56	113	

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	INDRODA	NATU	JRE PA	RK, G	EER Fo	ound	latio	n, Ga	ndhi	nagar	, GUJ	ARA	Г								
Sr.	Animal Name / Scientific Name	(	Openin	g sto	ck		Birt	h	Ac	quisit	ion	D	ispos	sal	I	Deat	h		Closi	ng stoc	:k
No.		М	F	U	Т	М	F	U	М	F	U	М	F	U	М	F	U	М	F	U	Т
Other than endangered species Mammals																					
1	Sambhar Deer (Rusa unicolor)	9	24	3	36	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	9	22	8	39
2	Spotted Deer (Axis axis)	25	56	3	84	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	24	55	8	87
	Total Mammals	34	80	6	120	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	33	77	16	126
Oth	ner than endangered species Reptiles	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				1	<u> </u>		1				•				1		<u> </u>	
1	Common Krait (Bungarus caerulus)	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
2	Red Sand Boa (Eryx johini)	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
3	Common Sand Boa (Gongylophis conicus)	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
4	Indian Star Tortoise (Geochelone elegans)	3	4	23	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	3	23	29
5	Saw scaled viper (Echis carinatus)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	Total Reptiles	3	4	30	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	3	30	36
	Total Animals (birds + mammals +reptiles)	60	112	97	269	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	5	61	112	102	275

	ANNUAL INVENTORY REPORT FROM APRIL-2023 TO MARCH-2024																				
	INDRODA	NAT	URE P	ARK,	GEER	Fou	nda	tion,	, Gan	dhin	agai	r <b>, G</b> U	JJAR	AT							
Enda	ngered Species																				
Sr.	Animal Name / Scientific Name	Opening stock				Birth			quisit	ion	D	ispo	sal	I	Deat	h		Closin	g stoc	k	
No.		М	F	U	Т	М	F	U	М	F	U	Μ	F	U	Μ	F	U	М	F	U	Т
BIRD	S																				
1	Peafowl (leucistic) (Pavo cristatus)	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
2	Eurasian Spoonbill (Platalea leucorodia)	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
3	Steppe Eagle (Aquila Nipalensis)	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
4	Tawny Eagle ( <i>Aquila rapax</i> )	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	Total Birds	2	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	4
MAM	IMALS																				
1	Black Buck (Antilope cervicapra)	53	55	3	111	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	50	53	5	108
2	Black Buck (leucistic/white) (Antilope cervicapra)	15	28	4	47	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	15	26	7	48
3	Chinkara (Gazella bennetti)	2	2	1	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	2	5
5	Leopard (Panthera pardus)	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	3
6	Indian Crested Porcupine (Hystrix indica)	3	3	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	2	8
7	Asiatic Lion (Panthera leo persica)	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	3
8	Tiger (leucistic/white) (Panthera tigris)	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
8	Bengal Tiger (Panthera tigris tigris)	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Mammals	77	90	10	177	0	0	6	2	2	0	0	0	0	5	6	0	74	86	16	176
REP	FILES																				
1	Spectacled Cobra ( <i>Naja naja</i> )	2	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	ο	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3
2	Marsh Crocodile (Crocodylus Palustris)	5	8	5	18	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	8	35	48
3	Indian Rock Python (Python molurus)	7	5	0	12	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	3	7	5	0	12
4	Common Rat Snake ( <i>Ptyas mucosa</i> )	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3

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	INDRODA NATURE PARK, GEER Foundation, Gandhinagar, GUJARAT																				
5	Russel's Viper (Daboia ruselii)	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
6	Indian softshell Turtle, Ganges Softshell ( <i>Nilssonia gangetica</i> )	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total Reptiles	15	13	11	39	0	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	11	1	0	7	14	13	41	68
	Total ANIMALS (Birds + Mammals + Reptiles)	94	104	23	221	0	0	54	2	2	0	0	0	11	6	6	8	90	100	58	248

# 26. Mortality Report of animals

Sr.	Species	Date	Sex	Cause of death as diagnosed through P.M.
Birds				
1.	Brahminy kite	13/07/2023	U (F)	Multiple senile complications (old age)
2.	Knob-billed duck	01/12/2023	U (M)	Fatty liver disease
3.	Knob-billed duck	13/12/2023	U (M)	Caecal coccidiosis
4.	Goose Bar headed	06/01/2024	U (M)	Respiratory failure
5.	Knob-billed duck	08/03/2024	U (M)	Multiple senile complications (Old age)
6.	Tawney eagle	22/03/2024	U (M)	Multiple senile complications (Old age)
Mammals				
1.	Spotted deer	16/05/2023	Male	Old age-senile complications
2.	Blackbuck	22/05/2023	Male	Entero-hepatic insufficiency
3.	Blackbuck	05/08/2023	Male	Multiple senile complications- old age
4.	Lion	17/08/2023	Male	Irreversible hepatic insufficiency due to old
				age
5.	White blackbuck	27/08/2023	Female	Respiratory tract infection due to old age
6.	Blackbuck	02/09/2023	Female	Post dystocia prolapse and complications
7.	Blackbuck	12/09/2023	Male	Multiple senile complications (old age)
8.	Sambar deer	04/10/2023	Female	Multiple senile complications (old age)
9.	White blackbuck	13/10/2023	Female	Post partum toxemia
10.	Tiger	05/11/2023	Female	Senile (old age) complications
11.	Chinkara	05/11/2023	Female	Infight trauma
12.	Spotted deer	18/12/2023	Female	Old age-senile complications
13.	Leopard	26/01/2024	Male	Multiple senile complications
14.	Sambar deer	31/01/2024	Female	Multiple senile complications (old age)
15.	Blackbuck	07/03/2024	Female	Spleeno-respiratory insufficiency
REPTILES				
1.	Marsh Crocodile Juvenile	06/05/2023	U (M)	Renal failure and gout
2.	Turtle softshell ganges	08/06/2023	Male	Old age- multiple senile complications
3.	Indian Rock Python baby	28/07/2023	U	Acute respiratory distress syndrome
4.	Indian Rock Python baby	28/07/2023	U	Acute respiratory distress syndrome
5.	Indian Rock Python baby	16/09/2023	U	Congenital anomaly of pulmonary hypoplasia
6.	Star Tortoise	30/09/2023	F	Old age complications
7.	Marsh Crocodile Juvenile	07/03/2024	U (M)	Multiple organ failure
8.	Marsh Crocodile Juvenile	07/03/2024	U (F)	Multiple organ failure
9.	Marsh Crocodile Juvenile	07/03/2024	U (M)	Multiple organ failure

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#### 27. Status of compliance of conditions stipulated by Central Zoo Authority vide letter F. No.19-33/92-CZA(72)(Vol.V)(E) /147868 dated 11-01-2021

S. No.	Norm No.	Condition Stipulated	Status		
1. Gener	1. General Requirements				
1.	10.1	Planted saplings should be protected from langurs and bluebull	Complied. Indroda Nature Park had developed Miyawaki forest in past two years by intensive protection of the saplings through cage type tree guards and round the clock human guarding.		
2.	10.1(7)	A nallah from adjoining locality enters the zoo and across the zoo. This nallah has sewage of the locality. It should be diverted outside the zoo or sewer line should be laid.	The nallah is a natural drain line for the rain water. Sewage pumping station of the adjoining locality was in non-functional condition at the time of visit. Hence the sewage water was passing through the nallah. The office of GEER Foundation had repeatedly requested to repair the pump of the station to the executive engineer of Patnagar Yojana Bhavan, Municipal corporation and Collector of Gandhinagar in past five years. In this context, the sewage pumping station of Indroda Village is functional at present and no sewage water is passing through the nallah. The foundation is vigilant in the same to prevent the entry of swage in the nallah.		
3.	10.1(9)	Necessary arrangements be made to stop the entry of dogs and cattle into zoo premise	The GEER Foundation has started constructing boundary wall around Indroda Nature Park on the eastern boundary at river side. Once the boundary gets completed, the dogs shall automatically be restricted to enter in the premise.		

S. No.	Norm No.	<b>Condition Stipulated</b>	Status		
2.Admin	2.Administrative and Staffing pattern				
4.	10.2(2)	Posts of the curator, the education officer and the Biologists be sanctioned and recruitments be made.	The work of curator is carried out by the Park Warden whereas Dr. Sandeep Munjapara, I/C Scientist was given the charge of Zoo biologist for Indroda Nature Park Zoo vide office order no.: EST/1/B-6226, Date: 08/12/2010. He regularly attends the training programme for the capacity building conducted by the Central Zoo Authority. Shri Alap Pandit, Programme officer of ecological education wing of GEER Foundation looks after the work of zoo education Officer by conducting public awareness programmes as per the direction of CZA from time to time.		
4.Anima	l Housing,	display of animals and animal en	closures		
5.	10.4(2)	Enclosures of exotic birds are small. They shall be made as per design and dimension prescribed by the CZA	As a part of redevelopment of Indroda Park Zoo as per approved master plan (Government accepted all development works as suggested in master plan and made the provision in the budget) designing of Aviary for exotic birds has been completed and is under progress of tender stage.		
6.	10.4(8)	Design for jackal enclosure not yet submitted to the CZA. Design be submitted to the CZA for approval.	Complied. The design for Jackal enclosure is submitted and approved by the Central Zoo Authority vide letter no.:147868, Date:07/12/2023. The construction work has been started as per the approved design		
8.	10.4(10)	Interpretation facilities should be made interactive.	The old interpretation facilities are planned to make interactive by use of innovative technology in the redevelopment work of Indroda Nature Park zoo. Work is under progress.		

S. No.	Norm No.	<b>Condition Stipulated</b>	Status
5.Upkee	p & health	care of animals	
9. 10.	10.5(2) 10.5(10)	Records pertaining to visual observation on daily pattern of activity and healthcare should be seen daily by the	Complied. The feed for the wild animals of Indroda Nature Park is supplied by the vendor who is registered and authorized by the Municipal corporation of Ahmedabad. Slaughter of the buffalo is carried out at the municipal corporation slaughter house after pre slaughter examination of the same by the Veterinary Officer of Municipal Corporation of Ahmedabad. Municipal corporation provide slip of slaughter fees. The said slip is submitted by the vendor to the Indroda Nature Park on daily basis. To ensure double safety in the good quality & disease free meat production and processing, the veterinary officer of GEER Foundation goes for ante-mortem examination of buffaloes and to collects samples for pre slaughter pathological tests. The said samples are submitted to the government laboratory (Animal Disease Investigation Office, Ahmedabad) for laboratory analysis. Based on the laboratory results, the supply of meat is regulated. Meat of only disease free animal is accepted for consumption of zoo animals at Indroda Nature Park. Regular feed checking system has also been established by the order from the desk of Director, GEER Foundation. Complied
11	105(10)	Curator/Veterinary Doctor.	
11.	10.5(10)	Zoo Keeper's Diary should be maintained by the zoo keepers.	Complied

S. No.	Norm No.	<b>Condition Stipulated</b>	Status
6. Veteri	nary and i	nfrastructure facilities:	
12	10.6(1)	Appropriate footbath is also required at the entry of the hospital.	Complied
13.	10.6(1)	The hospital should have a proper operation theatre.	Establishment of new modern veterinary hospital in Indroda Nature Park has been started. The foundation for the infrastructure has been constructed till the month of june, 2024.
14.	10.6(3)	Quarantine facility should be established.	The new & modern veterinary hospital will have a quarantine section as well to take care of- newly arrived animals as well as rescued animals. Work is under progress
15.	10.6(6)	MoU should be signed on healthcare, preventive health management, surgical interventions, clinical tests, etc.	This office has signed MoU on 01/02/2024 with Kamdhenu University for healthcare, preventive health management and surgical interventions for the period of 5 years for the date of execution.
16.	10.9(1)	There is only one pair of Lion. The female is medically unfit for breeding. Zoo shall ensure self- sustaining population of the species.	Indroda Nature Park has acquired a potential breeding pair of lion on date 28/03/2024.
9. Acquis	sition and	breeding of animals	
17	10.9(4)	Singly housed Jackal should be paired	At present, there is no jackal in the stock of Indroda Nature Park zoo. However, it was included in our collection plan and will be implemented once the enclosure is ready.
12. Visit	ors' facilit	ies:	
18	12.1	Cloak rooms for visitors should be provided.	Complied. GEER office has started the work of constructing clock room in Indroda Nature Park vide letter no.: STR/10/C-6369-72, Date: 28/11/2023. Construction Work is under progress.

# 28. List of free living wild animals and butterflies within the zoo premises

Sr. No.	Common Name	Scientific Name
1	2	3
Mammal	S	
1	Hanuman Langur	Presbytis entellus
2	Indian Hare	Lepus nigricollis
3	Jackal	Canis aureus
4	Indian Porcupine	Hystrix indica
5	Grey Mongoose (Common Mongoose)	Herpestes edwardsii
6	Pale Hedgehog	Hemiechinus micropus
7	Blue bull	Boselaphus tragocamelus
8	Rusty-Spotted cat	Prionailurus rubiginosus
9	Five-striped Palm squirrel	Funambulus palmarum
10	Small Indian civet	Viverricula indica
Reptiles		
1	Indian Cobra	Naja naja
2	Common Krait	Bungarus caeruleus
3	Common San boa	Gongylophis conicus
4	Red San-Boa	Eryx johnii
5	Indian Rock Python	Python molurus
6	Common Cat Snake	Boiga trigonata
7	Small-banded Kukri Snake	Oligodon fasciolatus
8	Common Worm Snake	Typhlina bramina
9	Bronze back tree snake	Dendrelaphis gorei
10	Russel's Viper	Daboia russelii
11	Saw-scaled viper	Echis carinata
12	Trinket Snake	Elaphe helena
13	Indian Wolf Snake	Lycodon capucinus
14	Barred Wolf Snake	Lycodon striatus
15	Checkered keel-back	Xenochrophis piscator

16	Common Garden Lizard	Calotes versicolor (Daudin	l)	
17	Common Indian Monitor	Varanus Bengalensis		
18	Fan-Throated Lizard	Sitana ponticeriana		
19	Brahminy Skink	Mabuya carinata		
20	Indian Flapshell turtle	Lissemys punctata		
21	Indian star tortoise	Geochelone elegans		
22	Northerrn house Gecko	Hemidactylus flaviviridis		
23	Termite hill Gecko	Hemidactylus triedrus		
	Birds			
Sr. No.	Common Name	Scientific name	Status	
Status coo	l de: 'R': Resident, 'M': Migratory, 'RM'	 : Resident- Migratory, 'V': V	<b>code</b> agrant	
1.	Alexandrine Parakeet	Psittacula eupatria	R	
2.	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba	R	
3.	Ashy Drongo	Dicrurus leucophaeus	М	
4.	Ashy Prinia	Prinia socialis	R	
5.	Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark	Eremopterix griseus	R	
6.	Asian Brown Flycatcher	Muscicapa dauurica	М	
7.	Asian Green Bee-eater	Merops orientalis	R	
8.	Asian Koel	Eudynamys scolopaceus	R	
9.	Asian Openbill	Anastomus oscitans	R	
10.	Asian Palm Swift	Cypsiurus balasiensis	R	
11.	Asian Woolly-necked Stork	Ciconia episcopus	R	
12.	Bank Myna	Acridotheres ginginianus	R	
13.	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	М	
14.	Barred Buttonquail	Turnix suscitator	R	
15.	Baya Weaver	Ploceus philippinus	R	
16.	Bay-backed Shrike	Lanius vittatus	R	
17.	Black Drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus	R	
18.	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	R	
19.	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros	М	
20.	Black-crowned Night Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	R	
21.	Black-headed Cuckooshrike	Lalage melanoptera	RM	
22.	Black-headed Ibis	Threskiornis	R	

		melanocephalus	
23.	Black-headed Munia	Lonchura malacca	R
24.	Black-hooded Oriole	Oriolus xanthornus	R
25.	Black-naped Monarch	Hypothymis azurea	R
26.	Black-winged Kite	Elanus caeruleus	R
27.	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	R
28.	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius	М
29.	Blue-cheeked Bee-eater	Merops persicus	М
30.	Blue-Rock Pigeon	Columba livia	R
31.	Blue-tailed Bee-eater	Merops philippinus	R
32.	Bluethroat	Luscinia svecica	М
33.	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus	М
34.	Booted Warbler	Iduna caligata	М
35.	Brahminy Starling	Sturnia pagodarum	R
36.	Chestnut-shouldered Petronia	<i>Gymnoris xanthocollis</i>	R
37.	Citrine Wagtail	Motacilla citreola	М
38.	Clamorous Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus stentoreus	М
39.	Common Babbler	Argya caudata	R
40.	Common Barn Owl	Tyto alba	R
41.	Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita	М
42.	Common Crane	Grus grus	М
43.	Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia	М
44.	Common Hawk Cuckoo	Hierococcyx varius	R
45.	Common Hoopoe	Upupa epops	М
46.	Common Iora	Aegithina tiphia	R
47.	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	М
48.	Common Kingfisher	Alcedo atthis	R
49.	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	R
50.	Common Myna	Acridotheres tristis	R
51.	Common Pochard	Aythya ferina	М
52.	Common Quail	Coturnix coturnix	R
53.	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus	М
54.	Common Rosefinch	Carpodacus erythrinus	М

55.	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	М
56.	Common Snipe	Gallinago gallinago	М
57.	Common Tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius	R
58.	Common Teal	Anas crecca	М
59.	Common Woodshrike	Tephrodornis	R
	Course arrest the Doublet	pondicerianus Deilen e seu	D
60.	Coppersmith Barbet	Psilopogon haemacephalus	R
61.	Crested Bunting	Emberiza lathami	R
62.	Crested Hawk Eagle	Nisaetus cirrhatus	R
63.	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata	R
64.	Crested Serpent Eagle	Spilornis cheela	R
65.	Desert Wheatear	Oenanthe deserti	М
66.	Dusky Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne concolor	R
67.	Eastern Cattle Egret	Bubulcus coromandus	R
68.	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	R
69.	Eurasian Coot	Fulica atra	RM
70.	Eurasian Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus	М
71.	Eurasian Curlew	Numenius arquata	М
72.	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus	R
73.	Eurasian Spoonbill	Platalea leucorodia	R
74.	Eurasian Wryneck	Jynx torquilla	М
75.	Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus	М
76.	Graceful Prinia	Prinia gracilis	R
77.	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	R
78.	Great Egret	Ardea alba	R
79.	Great Grey Shrike	Lanius excubitor	R
80.	Great Tit or cinereous tit	Parus cinereus	R
81.	Great White Pelican	Pelecanus onocrotalus	М
82.	Greater Coucal	Centropus sinensis	R
83.	Greater Short-toed Lark	Calandrella brachydactyla	М
84.	Green Sandpiper	Tringa ochropus	М
85.	Greenish Warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides	М
86.	Grey Francolin	Ortygornis pondicerianus	R

87.	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	R
88.	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea	М
89.	Grey-breasted Prinia	Prinia hodgsonii	R
90.	Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher	Culicicapa ceylonensis	М
91.	House Crow	Corvus splendens	R
92.	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	R
93.	Indian Bushlark	Mirafra erythroptera	R
94.	Indian Eagle-owl	Bubo bengalensis	R
95.	Indian Golden Oriole	Oriolus kundoo	R
96.	Indian Grey Hornbill	Ocyceros birostris	R
97.	Indian Jungle Crow	Corvus culminatus	R
98.	Indian Nightjar	Caprimulgus asiaticus	R
99.	Indian Paradise-Flycatcher	Terpsiphone paradisi	R
100.	Indian Peafowl	Pavo cristatus	R
101.	Indian Pitta	Pitta brachyura	R
102.	Indian Pond Heron	Ardeola grayii	R
103.	Indian Robin	Copsychus fulicatus	R
104.	Indian Roller	Coracias benghalensis	R
105.	Indian Scops owl	Otus bakkamoena	R
106.	Indian Silverbill	Euodice malabarica	R
107.	Indian Spot-billed Duck	Anas poecilorhyncha	R
108.	Indian Thick-knee	Burhinus indicus	R
109.	Indian White-eye	Zosterops palpebrosus	R
110.	Intermediate Egret	Ardea intermedia	R
111.	Isabelline Shrike	Lanius isabellinus	М
112.	Jacobin Cuckoo	Clamator jacobinus	М
113.	Jerdon's Leafbird	Chloropsis jerdoni	R
114.	Jungle Babbler	Argya striata	R
115.	Jungle Bush Quail	Perdicula asiatica	R
116.	Jungle Nightjar	Caprimulgus indicus	R
117.	Jungle Owlet	Glaucidium radiatum	R
118.	Jungle Prinia	Prinia sylvatica	R
119.	Knob-billed Duck	Sarkidiornis melanotos	R

120	Large Cuckooshrike	Coracina macei	R
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121.	Large Grey Babbler	Argya malcolmi	R
122.	Laughing Dove	Spilopelia senegalensis	R
123.	Lesser Goden-backed Woodpecker or Black-Rumped flameback	Dinopium benghalense	R
124.	Lesser Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna javanica	R
125.	Lesser Whitethroat	Curruca curruca	М
126.	Little Cormorant	Microcarbo niger	R
127.	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta	R
128.	Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis	R
129.	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius	R
130.	Little Swift	Apus affinis	R
131.	Long billed Pipit	Anthus similis	М
132.	Long-tailed Shrike	Lanius schach	R
133.	Marshall's Iora	Aegithina nigrolutea	R
134.	Mottled Wood Owl	Strix ocellata	R
135.	Northern Pintail	Anas acuta	М
136.	Northern shoveler	Spatula clypeata	М
137.	Oriental Magpie Robin	Copsychus saularis	R
138.	Oriental Darter	Anhinga melanogaster	R
139.	Oriental Honey-buzzard	Pernis ptilorhynchus	R
140.	Oriental Scops Owl	Otus sunia	R
141.	Orphean Warbler	Sylvia hortensis	М
142.	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	М
143.	Painted Stork	Mycteria leucocephala	R
144.	Pale-billed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum erythrorhynchos	R
145.	Pallid Harrier	Circus macrourus	М
146.	Pheasant-tailed Jacana	Hydrophasianus chirurgus	R
147.	Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta	М
148.	Pied Bushchat	Saxicola caprata	М
149.	Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis	R
150.	Plain Prinia	Prinia inornata	R
151.	Plum-headed Parakeet	Psittacula cyanocephala	R
152.	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea	R

153.	Purple Sunbird	Cinnyris asiaticus	R
154.	Purple Swamphen	Porphyrio poliocephalus	R
155.	Purple-rumped Sunbird	Leptocoma zeylonica	R
156.	Red Collared Dove	Streptopelia tranquebarica	R
157.	Red-breasted Flycatcher	Ficedula parva	М
158.	Red-headed Bunting	Emberiza bruniceps	М
159.	Red-naped Ibis	Pseudibis papillosa	R
160.	Red-necked falcon	Falco chicquera	R
161.	Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica	R
162.	Red-vented Bulbul	Pycnonotus cafer	R
163.	Red-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus indicus	R
164.	River Tern	Sterna aurantia	R
165.	Rose-ringed Parakeet	Psittacula krameri	R
166.	Rosy Starling	Pastor roseus	М
167.	Ruddy Shelduck	Tadorna ferruginea	М
168.	Rufous Treepie	Dendrocitta vagabunda	R
169.	Rufous-fronted Prinia	Prinia buchanani	R
170.	Rufous-tailed Lark	Ammomanes phoenicura	R
171.	Savanna Nightjar	Caprimulgus affinis	R
172.	Scaly-breasted Munia	Lonchura punctulata	R
173.	Shikra	Accipiter badius	R
174.	Short-toed Snake Eagle	Circaetus gallicus	R
175.	Siberian Stonechat	Saxicola maurus	М
176.	Singing Bushlark	Mirafra javanica	R
177.	Sirkeer Malkoha	Taccocua leschenaultii	R
178.	Small Minivet	Pericrocotus cinnamomeus	R
179.	Spangled Drongo	Dicrurus bracteatus	R
180.	Spotted Dove	Spilopelia chinensis	R
181.	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata	М
182.	Spotted Owlet	Athene brama	R
183.	Streaked Weaver	Ploceus manyar	R
184.	Sulphur-bellied Warbler	Phylloscopus griseolus	М
185.	Swinhoe's Minivet	Pericrocotus cantonensis	V

186.	Sykes's Lark	Galerida deva	R
187.	Tawny-bellied Babbler	Dumetia hyperythra	R
188.	Thick-billed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum agile	R
189.	Tickell's Blue flycatcher	Cyornis tickelliae	R
190.	Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis	М
191.	Ultramarine Flycatcher	Ficedula superciliaris	М
192.	Variable Wheatear	Oenanthe picata	М
193.	Verditer Flycatcher	Eumyias thalassinus	М
194.	Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus	М
195.	Western Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava	М
196.	White breasted Waterhen	Amaurornis phoenicurus	R
197.	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba	М
198.	White-bellied Drongo	Dicrurus caerulescens	R
199.	White-bellied Minivet	Pericrocotus erythropygius	R
200.	White-browed bulbul	Pycnonotus luteolus	R
201.	White-browed Fantail	Rhipidura aureola	R
202.	White-browed Wagtail	Motacilla maderaspatensis	R
203.	White-eared Bulbul	Pycnonotus leucotis	R
204.	White-eyed Buzzard	Butastur teesa	R
205.	White-spotted Fantail	Rhipidura albogularis	R
206.	White-throted Kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis	R
207.	Wood Sandpiper	Tringa glareola	М
208.	Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	Leiopicus mahrattensis	R
209.	Yellow-eyed Babbler	Chrysomma sinense	R
210.	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	Treron phoenicopterus	R
211.	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus malabaricus	R
212.	Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis	R
	Butterfl	ies	
1.	Tawny coster	Acraea terpsicore	
2.	Plain tiger	Danaus chrysippus	
3.	Striped tiger	Danaus genutia	
4.	Common crow	Euploea core	
5.	Danaid eggfly	Hypolimnas misippus	

6.	Peacock pansy	Junonia almana
7.	Lemon pansy	Junonia lemonias
8.	Blue pansy	Junonia orithya
9.	Common evening brown	Melanitis leda
10.	Common leopard	Phalanta phalantha
11.	Tailed jay	Graphium agamemnon
12.	Common jay	Graphium doson
13.	Common rose	Pachliopta aristolochiae
14.	Lime butterfly	Papilio demoleus
15.	Common Mormon	Papilio polytes
16.	Pioneer	Belenois aurota
17.	Common emigrant	Catopsilia pomona
18.	Mottled emigrant	Catopsilia pyranthe
19.	Small salmon Arab	Colotis amata
20.	Orange tip	Colotis etrida
21.	Large salmon Arab	Colotis fausta
22.	White Arab	Colotis vestalis
23.	Common jezebel	Delias eucharis
24.	White orange tip	Ixias marianne
25.	Bright babul blue	Azanus ubaldus
26.	Forget-me-not	Catochrysops strabo
27.	Plains cupid	Chilades pandava
28.	Indian sunbeam	Curetis thetis
29.	Grass jewel	Chilades trochylus
30.	Lesser grass blue	Zizina otis
31.	Tiny grass blue	Zizula hylax
32.	Rice swift	Borbo cinnara

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