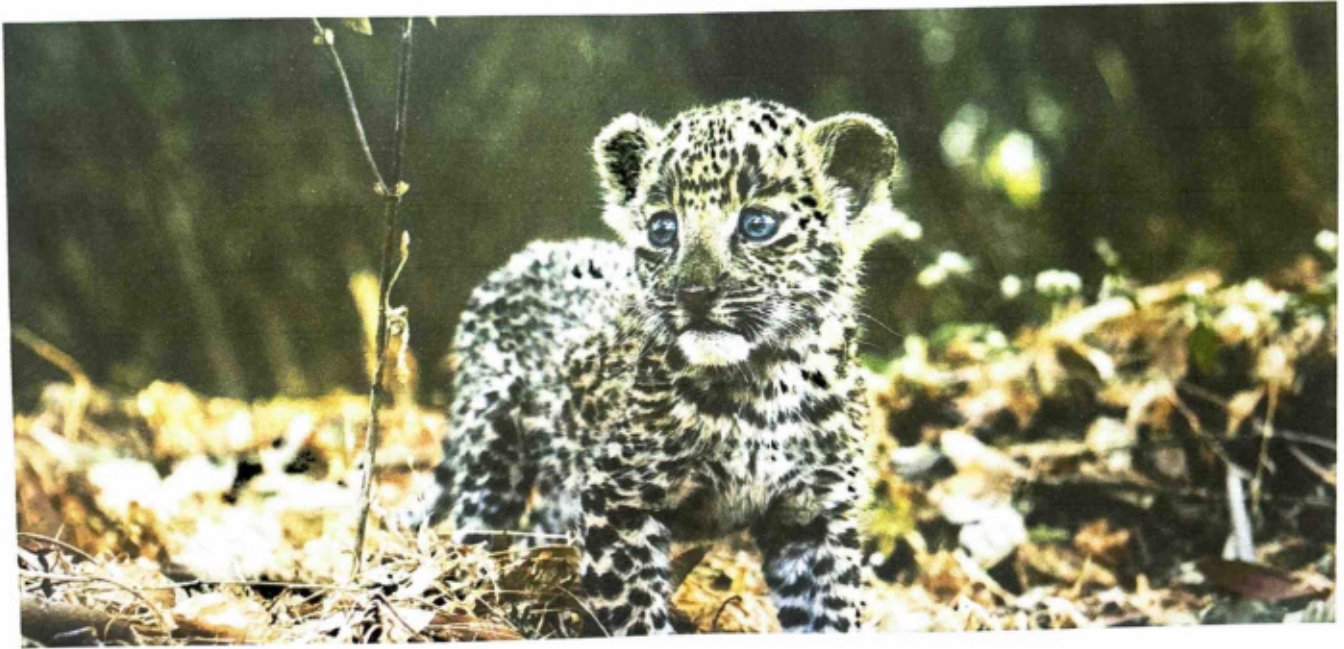


Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre

Khamgaon Colony, Junnar, Pune - 410502
(Maharashtra)

Annual Report for the year 2024-2025



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2. Report of the Officer-in-Charge

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Range Forest Officer, Junnar

Junnar Forest Department, Junnar, Pune, Maharashtra- (410502)

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B. Wildlife SOS Delhi

Dr. Avinash Visalkar

Wildlife Veterinary Officer.

Mr. Mahendra B Dhore

Project Manager.

Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre, Junnar, Pune, Maharashtra (410502)

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3. History of the Rescue Centre

When man-animal conflict and leopard menace was at its peak, Maharashtra Forest Department (MFD) came up with the Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre (MLRC) project in 2002. Several leopards were caught from adjacent areas like Ahmednagar, Thane and Nashik division and Junnar division while other came from Junnar division that had reported many conflict cases. The prime objective of this rescue centre was to provide a shelter for such rescued leopards that were in considerable distress after staying in trap cages or transit cages for a long time and those could not be released back to the wild due to various reasons i.e. handicapped, orphaned cubs, long term captivity or old age and suspected conflict animals.

In December 2007 an MOU was signed between Wildlife SOS (WSOS) and the MFD where WSOS was given the responsibility to provide technical assistance and care for leopards which are housed at the MLRC. WSOS would also ensure timely veterinary assistance for the leopards and would be involved in rescuing leopards from distressful situations with collaborative support of the MFD.

4. Vision

The price vision of the rescue center was to house these rescued leopards who were in considerable distress in trap cages/transit cages for long periods. Some of these leopards, only required medical aid and were consequently medicated and then released back in the wild.

5. Mission

The Mission of Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre is to establish protocol to reduce man-leopard conflict around conflicted nearby areas and ensure timely veterinary assistance for the leopards and would be involved in rescuing leopards from distressful situations with collaborative support of the MFD.

6. Objective

Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre objectives are:

- To rescue leopard from distressful situation and where possible rehabilitate them back into the wild.
- Provide shelter and treatment to the injured leopards and deliver best medication for the leopards which can then be released back into the natural habitat.
- Take care of permanent residents who require life time care and who cannot be released back into the wild due to various reasons.
- Provide space to individual animals as per CZA guidelines and maintain their natural instinct and behavior while in captivity.
- Provide natural enrichment inside enclosures to boost their life.
- Raise general public awareness about leopard conservation and man animal conflict through various educational programs that educate the community how to co-exist with leopards in the wild.
- To promote and develop scientific research, in both veterinary and behavioral ecology, which will help us understand the complex nature of the species.

7. About us

S.No.	Particulars	Information
Basic Information about the Rescue Centre		
1	Name of the Rescue Centre	Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre
2	Year of Establishment	2002
3	Address of the Rescue Centre	Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre At/Post – Khamgaon Colony, Tal- Junnar, Dist. Pune. Pin code 410502.
4	State	Maharashtra
5	Telephone Number	02132222063
6	Fax Number	02132222063
7	E-mail address	junnarforestdn@gmail.com / mlrc@wildlifesos.org
8	Website	www.mahaforest.com www.wildlifesos.org
9	Distance from nearest	Airport: 85 km

No.	Particulars	Information
		Pune Railway Station:90 km
		Junnar Bus Stand: 7km
10	Recognition Valid up to (Date)	19/08/2021
11	Area (in Hectares)	4.38 Ha.
Management Personnel of the Rescue Centre		
12	Name with designation of the Officer in-charge	<p>1. Mr. Pradeep Chavhan, Range Forest Officer, Junnar. Forest Department, Junnar. E-mail- rfojunnar22@gmail.com</p> <p>2. Dr. Avinash Visalkar Wildlife Veterinary Officer. Mr. Mahendra B Dhore, Project Manager Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre, Junnar. E-mail- mlrc@wildlifesos.org</p>
	Name of the Veterinary Officer	Dr. Avinash Visalkar
	Name of the Curator	Mr. Pradeep Chavhan

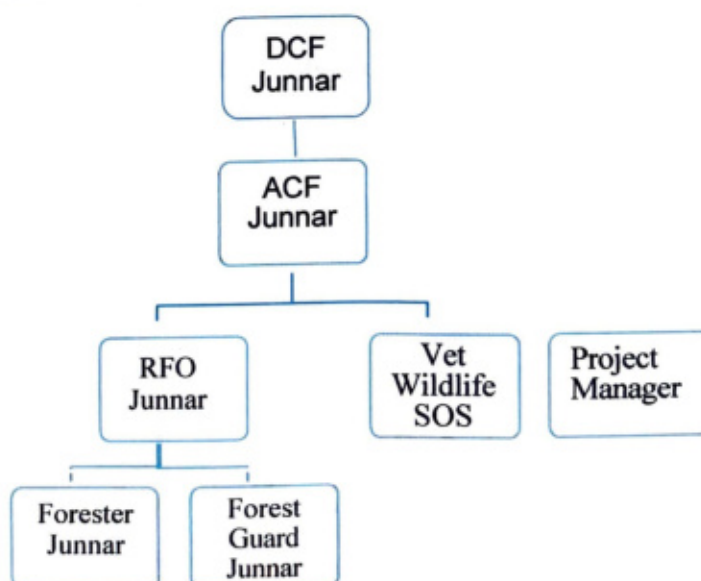
	Name of the Biologist	-
	Name of the Compounder/ Lab Assistant	-
Owner / Operator of the Rescue Centre		
13	*Name of the Operator	Maharashtra Forest Department, Junnar
14	Address of the Operator	Junnar Forest Division, Near Tehsil Office Junnar, Tal - Junnar, Dist. – Pune 410502 Maharashtra.
15	Contact details/Phone number of Operator	02132222063
16	E-mail address of Operator	junnarforestdn@gmail.com / mlrc@wildlifesos.org

* Rule 2(m) of the Recognition of Zoo Rules, 2009.

“Zoo Operator” means the person who has ultimate control over the affairs of the zoos provided that

- I. in the case of a firm or other association of individuals, any one of the individual partners or members thereof
- II. in the case of a company, any director, manager, secretary or other officer, who is in-charge of and responsible to the company for the affairs of the zoo; or
- III. In case of zoo owned or controlled by the Central Government or any State Government or Union Territory Administration or any Trust or Society funded by the Central Government or a State Government or a Union Territory Administration, the Secretary of the concerned Department of that Government, or as the case may be the Union Territory Administration, shall be deemed to be the Zoo operator.

8. Organizational Chart of the Rescue Centre



9. Human Resources for management of Rescue Centre (Officer in-charge to Animal Keeper - Sanctioned posts, in- position and vacant posts)

Human Resources of the Rescue Centre*

Sl.No.	Designation	Number of Sanctioned Posts	Names of the incumbent
1	RFO Junnar	1	Maharashtra Forest Department
2	Wildlife Vet, MLRC	1	Wildlife SOS, New Delhi
3	Forester Junnar	1	Maharashtra Forest Department
4	Forest Guard	1	Maharashtra Forest Department
5	Security Guard	4	Maharashtra Forest Department
6	Project Manager	1	Wildlife SOS, New Delhi
7	Animal Keeper (Wildlife SOS)	5	Wildlife SOS, New Delhi
8	Photographer (Wildlife SOS)	1	Wildlife SOS, New Delhi

*Please give above mentioned information in respect of all Rescue Centre personnel, from the Officer in-charge up to the Animal Keeper.

10. Capacity Building of Rescue Centre personnel-

Sensitization and Awareness Workshop for Frontline Staff of Forest Department, Building a surveillance model for detection zoonotic spillover in increased bird - human. – Pune Vanbhavan. on 21 st January 2025

Attended by Two People: Dr. Avinash Visalkar and Mr. Mahendra Dhere

11. Rescue Centre Advisory Committee-

a. Date of constitution – 15/05/2017

b. Members.

- 1. DCF Junnar –Chairman**
- 2. ACF Junnar – Member**
- 3. RFO Junnar – Member Secretary**
- 4. Wildlife Veterinarian (Wildlife SOS) –Member**
- 5. Livestock Development Officer Grade – I Member**
- 6. Hon. Wildlife Warden - Member**

Dates on which Meetings held during the year- 11/07/2024

12. Health Advisory Committee –

a. Date of constitution- 15/05/2017

b. Members

- 1. DCF Junnar– Chairman**
- 2. ACF Junnar – Member Secretary**
- 3. Deputy Director Veterinary Services (Wildlife SOS) –Member**
- 4. Wildlife Veterinarian (Wildlife SOS)-Member**
- 5. Live Stock Development Officer Grade – I -Member**
- 6. Wildlife SOS- Representative**

c. Dates on which Meetings held during the year – 11/07/2024

13. Statement of Income and Expenditure of the Rescue Centre

Sr. No.	Year	Name of Work	Sanctioned Grants (In Lakhs)	Expenditure done (In Lakhs)	Remarks
1	2024/2025	Construction of cement concrete Road from Main Gate to Quarantine Cage at MLRC	1622700	162700	
2	2024/2025	Construction of cement concrete Road from Hadsar Cage to PM Room at MLRC	2303000	2303000	
3	2024/2025	Construction of squeeze Cage for Jivdhan cage at MLRC	883800	838800	
4	2024/2025	Construction of squeeze Cage for Chavand cage at MLRC	854600	854600	
5	2024/2025	Construction of Treatment Room at MLRC	1638700	1638700	
6	2024/2025	Construction of Day Cage Extension For Shivneri Cage No 1 at MLRC	6215100	6215100	
7	2024/2025	Construction of Day Cage Extension For Shivneri Cage No 2 at MLRC	5155800	515580	
8	2024/2025	Construction of Quarantine Cage (4 Compartment) at MLRC	6789800	6789800	
9	2024/2025	Electricity work, OT Light and Stabilizer at MLRC	507000	507000	
10	2024/2025	CCTV Repairing work at MLRC	127000	127000	

11	2024/2 025	Medicine, Lab Maintenance, Rapid Antigen Kit, Blow Pipe Darts	806650	806650	
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Wildlife SOS, New Delhi Organization expenditure on Daily maintenance and technical support of Leopard Rescue Centre.

14. Daily Feed Schedule of Animals

Sl. No.	Species	Feed item	Quantity		Day of fasting
			Winter	Summer	
1	Leopard	Chicken	2.00 to 2.5 kg Female 2.5 to 3 kg Male	1.5 to 2 kg Female 2 to 2.5 kg Male	Weekly 2 Day Monday & Thursday

15. Vaccination Schedule of Animals

Sr. No.	Species	Disease vaccinated for	Name of the Vaccine and dosage/ quantity used	Periodicity	Remarks
1	Leopard	Rabies	Anti-rabies 1ml	1 Year	
		Feline Calicivirus, Rhino-tracheitis and Panleucopenia	Tricat Trio 1 ml	1 Year	

16. De-worming Schedule of Animals

Sl. No.	Species	Drug used	Month
1	Leopard	Kiwof Plus XL	Every 3 Months

17. Disinfection Schedule

Sr. No.	Species	Type of enclosure	Disinfectant used and method	Frequency of disinfection
1	Leopard	Feeding cage, Open paddock and squeeze cage	Liq. Kohrsoline	Every 15 Day

18. Health Check-up of Employees for Zoonotic Diseases

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	Date of Health Check up	Findings of Health Check up
1	Dr. Avinash Visalkar	Wildlife Veterinary Officer	24/01/2025	Normal
2	Mr. Mahendra Dhore	Project Manager	24/01/2025	Normal
3	Mr. Dilip Deshpande	Animal keeper	14/02/2025	Normal
4	Mr. Shivaji Modhe	Animal Keeper	24/01/2025	Normal
5	Mr. Vaibhav Neharkar	Animal Keeper	24/01/2025	Normal
6	Mr. Salim Shaikh	Animal Keeper	24/01/2025	Normal
7	Mr. Balu Mundhe	Animal Keeper	14/02/2025	Normal
8	Mr. Akash Dolas	Photographer	24/01/2025	Normal
9	Mr. Pandurang Mundhe	Forest Dep. Security	14/02/2025	Normal
10	Mr. Prathamesh Jadhav	Forest Dep. Security	24/01/2025	Normal
11	Mr. Omkar Thombre	Forest Dep. Security	24/01/2025	Normal
12	Mr. Sourabh Pathare	Forest Dep. Security	14/02/2025	Normal

19. Development Works Carried Out in the Rescue Centre During the Year

In process- 1. The Extension at Manikdoh Leopard Rescue Centre Phase 1 - (4 Units - 40 Leopard cages) and wall compound is under construction.

20. Important Events and Happenings –

Type of activity	Number of times conducted during 1 st April 2024 to 31 st March 2025
Human Leopard Conflict Awareness Programme	25
Human Leopard Conflict Mitigation Training	30

21. Seasonal Special Arrangements for Upkeep of Animals–

- 1 Provide Sprinkler on a roof of leopard open enclosure during summer
- 2 Provide Green shed net around leopard enclosure during summer
- 3 Plantation of trees within open enclosure of leopard.

22. Research Work Carried Out and Publications- No

23. Rescue and Rehabilitation of Wild Animals – NA

24. Annual Inventory of Animals

Form – II

[See Rule 11(1)]

Part – A

Inventory Report for the Year: 2024/2025 Endangered Species*

Sr. No.	Animal Name	Scientific name	Opening Stock as on 1 April 2023				Births			Acquisition			Disposal			Death			Closing Stock as on 31 March 2024			
			M	F	U	T	M	F	U	M	F	U	M	F	U	M	F	U	T			
1	Leopard	Panthera pardus	20	22		42	1	1		1	3					1	2		21	24		45

*Animals under Schedule I and Schedule II of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972

Part – B

Other than Endangered Species

Sr. No.	Animal Name	Scientific name	Opening Stock as on				Births			Acquisition			Disposal			Death			Closing Stock as on			
			M	F	U	T	M	F	U	M	F	U	M	F	U	M	F	U	T			

25. Mortality of animals

Sr. No.	Animal Name (with individual identification mark, if any)	Scientific Name	Sex	Date of Death	Reason of Death as per the Post-Mortem Findings
1	Brinda Cub)	Panthera pardus fusca	Female	20 th May 2024	Multiorgan failure
2	Kalamb	Panthera pardus fusca	Male	27 th August 2024	Septic shock

3	Sharmili (00068333FO)	Panthera pardus fusca	Male	10 th January 2025	Old age and Multi- Organ Failure
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26. Status of the Compliance with Conditions Stipulated by the Central Zoo Authority:
Date of Evaluation – Evaluation was carried out by CZA on 14/08/2023, but evaluation report has not been received.


Wildlife Veterinary Officer
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