

# JUNGLE BOOK



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## A Brief on this issue of Jungle Book

In this issue of Jungle Book, we will give our readers a glimpse of activities by Nature Club Surat for the period of January to March 2018. The highlights of this issue are the Bird Rescue Campaign during the Uttarayan, the upcoming camp of Saputara - Art and Craft Camp & the Manali - Himalaya Adventure Camp. NCS also continued its work of rescue and release of birds, mammals and reptiles, environment education and conservation activities, adventure activities and its projects such as Deer Breeding, Wetland Conservation, Cleanliness Drive etc.

## Upcoming Activities:

### Summer Adventure Camps

#### 1. SAPUTARA: Art & Craft Camp

**Batch 1 – 26th to 30th April 2018**

**Batch 2 – 30th April to 4th May 2018**

**Activities:** Paper Collage, Plaster casting, Sketching, Painting, Molding and many more.

**Mountaineering Basics:** Valley Crossing, Bouldering, Flying Fox, Field trips etc.

#### 2. Manali - Experience Himalaya Camp

**Batch 1 – 10th May – 21st May 2018**

**Batch 2 – 22nd May – 2nd June 2018**

**Activities:** Trek to Jogini Water Fall, Solang valley, Mahadev temple, Gulaba, Trek to Frozen Brighu Lake (14000 ft), river crossing, Adventure activities and many more.

## Forward

"Greetings !

We welcome all new members to Nature Club Surat family. NCS had a very hectic 1st Quarter of 2018. This Uttarayan not only we rescued Birds on our own but created a facility to house for those NGOs who had no facility to keep rescued Birds. We received about 1000 birds for treatment and rehabilitation at our Eco farm.

We shifted Deer from Ahmedabad zoo to our breeding center, we also began a conservation project of smooth coated Otter.

We had lots of complaints of tourists leaving garbage harmful to environment at eco sensitive camp sites in south Gujarat region. To offer a solution we have commenced a cleanliness drive under the sponsorship of ONGC (Hazira).

We invite volunteers to join hands to support our activities, camps & projects.

- Ashish Vakil



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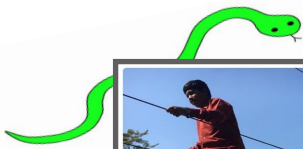


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Chairman: Shri. Rajen Shah

President: Shri. Snehal Patel

We meet every Saturday between 5 – 7 pm at 81, Sarjan Society, Athwalines, Surat – 395007



ECO Farm & Gavier Lake Visit

## Glimpse of Activities During JAN to MAR 2018

### Bird Rescue Program during Uttrayan (kite flying festival):

NCS had organized Bird Rescue camp during Kite Festival from 13th to 16th January 2018.

More than 250 birds were rescued given treatment by NCS volunteers. Few birds which were very badly injured will not be able to fly any more. These birds are taken care by NCS through out their life span.

### Word Wetland Day Celebration:

Word Wetland Day was celebrated at Gavier Lake. On that day DFO Shree Punit Nair and Nature club volunteers introduced students to birds, butterflies, trees and reptiles. Students of C.C.Shah school organized Cycle Rely to Gavier Lake.

### Endangered smooth-coated Otter make comeback in Surat city:

We found smooth coated Otter in camera placed at Gavier Lake. This camera trapping revealed how the animal lives a secretive life in human dominated area We also rescued and reunited two otter pups in

Olpad during the study by NCS volunteer Mr. Krunal Trivedi.

### Inculcating Scientific Approach to Bird Watching:

Program was organized by Nature Club Surat, Bird Conservation Society, Gujarat (BCSG) & Surat Forest Department at Kevdi Eco Tourism Camp Site on 24th & 25th February 2018. Around 60 participants took part. Gained knowledge from experienced speakers Mr. Uday Vora & Mr. Pranav Trivedi. Participants also had advantage of thoughts and guidance from BCSG senior member Mr. Raju Vyas & our president Mr. Snehal Patel.

Some figures from two days study:

**Total Birds Sighted: 500+**

**Total Species Sighted: 50+**

### Lunar Eclipse:

31<sup>st</sup> January 2018, the most wonderful evening at Gavier Lake, Surat, NCS members and other visitors had witnessed the beautiful Super Moon / Blood Moon (Lunar Eclipse).

Many Camps and Awareness programs are organized during this period. We have also launch our new website.

## SPCA Data

Call Attended by  
NCS Volunteers:

**JAN-MAR 2018**

Birds	431
Mammals	6
Reptiles	250
Total	687

### Birds Rescued during Kite Festival (Uttrayan-2018):

Birds	252
Mammals	3
Reptiles	13
Total	268

For Injured Birds & Snake  
Rescue - call SPCA

(+91) 9825-480-908



Word Wetland Day Celebration at Gavier Lake

Core Committee Member Shri Ashokbhai Parekh

Treasurer: Shri Ashish Vakil

Gavier Lake - Visiting hours: Every Sunday 6 am to 11 am





## Welcoming Life Members of NCS

Joined Between JAN-18  
to MARCH-18

LM NO	Name
LM 643	Jadvani Nileshkumar
LM 644	Manish Parekh
LM 645	Ketan Nakrani
LM 646	Jasmin Naik
LM 647	Ankur Shah
LM 648	Amish Saraiya
LM 649	Anushree Saraiya
LM 650	Ashokbhai Patel
LM651	Patel Tejasvini
LM652	Bakul Shah
LM653	Dr.Abbhishek Kheradiya
LM654	Puja Chatterjee
LM655	Vinod Parmar
LM656	Siddhasen Shah
LM657	Siddhant Shah
LM658	Reepa Shah
LM659	Neha Soni
LM660	Dev Shah
LM661	Karan Shah
LM662	Parth Parekh
LM663	Aakruti Shah
LM664	Dr.Hiren Dhudasiya
LM665	Jaideo Gonnade
LM666	Meena Gonnade
LM667	Saurav Barapatre
LM668	Manoj Barapatre
LM669	Swati Bhatiya
LM670	Veer Bhatiya



### Awareness & Rescue Program during Kite Flying Festival in JAN 18

## Statistics of last three months activi- ties (JAN-MAR 18)

### Gavier Lake Visit & Awareness Programs:

Date	Group
06/01/18	I G Desai School
06/01/18	SMC School
04/02/18	Specially abled child group
07/02/18	Fountainhead School
11/02/18	Green Walk, Learn & Grow Group
25/02/18	Kidzoo Funna Group
11/03/18	DPS Jain Fun Group

### Touch & Feel Programs:

Date	Group
12/01/18	Global Kids
09/02/18	Milestone Nurse-
23/02/18	Canopus Interna-

## ONGC Project: Cleanli- ness Drive:

Date	Place
06/03/18	Padamdungri+Kilad
06/03/18	Mahal+Crab Fall
13/03/18	Mahal+Crab Fall
20/03/18	Don+Gira Fall
23/03/18	Kevdi + B.C.S.G.
26/03/18	Padamdungri+Kilad

## Participation in Exhibi- tion :

Date	Place
08/01/18	Ahmedabad
28/01/18	Half Ticket, Surat
28/01/18	Book Fair, Surat
15/02/18	Tapi Utsav Exhibi- tion, Science Centre

Vice Chairman: Shri. A.G. Chokhawala

Vice President: Shri. Akshay Joshi

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# Ongoing Projects:

## Deer Breeding Project:

Breeding Reintroduction & Conservation of Deer & Antelope in forest of Dang at Vansda National Park. This project helps to restore Food chain & decrease the "Human – Leopard conflicts"

In this duration, on 13th & 30th January we have shifted deer from Ahmedabad Zoo to Vansada National Park (Deer Breeding Centre).

## Cleanliness Drive Project in collaboration with ONGC:

with the support of ONGC (Hazira), NCS has undertaken periodic cleanliness drives at these sites for full year. It will go a long way in removing the garbage from these areas as well as sensitizing the public about the nuisance of leaving human footprints in the beautiful and serene Dang forests. It will also ensure that the wild and aquatic life in the forests is saved from the plastic and other garbage, thus safeguarding the already threatened biodiversity of the Forest. The following sites have been selected for clean up:

1. Tourism Site – Mahal, 2. Eco Tourism Site, Padamdungri, 3. Eco Tourism Site - Kilad, 4. Eco Tourism Site – Kewdi 5. Gira Waterfall, 6. Crab 7. Don hill

## Acknowledge the untiring efforts of Volunteers:

Without help of Volunteers it is not possible to complete all these task. We highly show our gratitude to our volunteers Goldi Gandhi, Hiren Patel, Abhi Vyas, Tejal Surati, Vitesh Dadia, Aneri Desai, Er. Tejas Patel, Pratik Patel, Aditya Naik, Abhishek Shani, Snehal Rathod, Samasthee Patel, Ashish Chaudhary, Shaival Patel, Jigar Mahuvagara, Pratik Parmar, Hardik Sinh, Nisarg, Diptesh Ramani, Nikunj Davra, Ruchit Shah, Neel Patel, Manthan Kadam, Divyesh Patel and many more.

We are also thankful to our untiring full timer team Tejas Patel, Kaushik Patel, Ankita Shah & Marmik Goyani.

Thanks for showing your interest in mother earth!!... Come Join us for Noble Cause

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All are welcome to join hands to work for Nature