

**ANNEXURE 2A****ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR WII 2025-26**

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<b>A.</b>	<b>Regular Training Courses</b>				
<b>A.1</b>	XLV PG Diploma Course in Advanced Wildlife Management	Dr.J.A.Johnson (CD) Dr.Abhijit Das(ACD)	Self Sponsored/ CSR	September, 2024 - June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>A.2</b>	XLVI PG Diploma Course in Advanced Wildlife Management	Dr. Bivash Pandav (CD) Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (ACD)	Self Sponsored/ CSR	September, 2025 - June, 2026	To be initiated
<b>A.3</b>	XL Certificate Course in Wildlife Management	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar (CD) Shri Ritesh Kumar Gautam (ACD)	Self Sponsored/ CSR	November, 2025- January, 2026	To be initiated
<b>A.4</b>	XIX M.Sc. in Wildlife Science Course	Dr. Gautam Talukdar (CD) Dr. Ramesh Chinnasamy (ACD)	Self Sponsored/ CSR	August,2023- July, 2025	Ongoing
<b>A.5</b>	XX M.Sc. in Wildlife Science Course	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (CD) Dr.Amit Kumar (ACD)	Self Sponsored/ CSR	August, 2024 - July, 2026	Ongoing
<b>A.6</b>	XXI M.Sc. in Wildlife Science Course	Dr. Sandeep Gupta (CD) Dr.Anukul Nath (ACD)	Self Sponsored/ CSR	August, 2025 - July, 2027	To be initiated
<b>A.7</b>	First M.Sc. Course on Freshwater Ecology and Conservation	Ms. Chinmaya Ghanekar (CD) Dr.Tanveer Ahmed (ACD)	NMCG, Ministry of Jal Shakti	August, 2024 - July, 2026	Ongoing

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B.	Short Courses, Workshops and Seminars				
Grant-in-Aid					
B.1.	Annual Research Seminar and TRAC Meetings.	Research Coordinator / Asstt. Research Coordinator	Grant-in-aid	September - October, 2025	To be organized
Government funded					
B.2.	Training programme on Wildlife Techniques and Indicative Management Plan for IFS Probationers	Dr. K. Ramesh & WII Team	IGNFA	Two Weeks	Ongoing
B.3.	Special Course in Wildlife Protection, Law & Forensic Sciences for probationers of Indian Customs & Central Excise Service Group A.	Dr. Sandeep Gupta Dr. Samrat Mondol	NACIN	Two Weeks	May, 2025
B.4.	Course on Wildlife Conservation for Wildlife Enthusiasts	Dr. K. Ramesh ENVIS / EIACP Team	Self-Sponsored	Two Weeks	October, 2025
B.5.	Compulsory Course on Coastal and Marine Protected Areas Management for IFS Officers at Port Blair	Dr. J.A. Johnson Dr. Nehru Prabakaran	MoEFCC	One Week	February, 2026
B.6.	Training course for Custom Inspectors and Superintendents on Identification of Wildlife product and Wildlife Forensic	Dr. S.K. Gupta Dr. Samrat mondol	NACIN, Jaipur	Two days	To be decided

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<b>B.7.</b>	Fundamentals/Basics of world Heritage Convention- Other Services	Dr. Gautam Talukdar and WII team	MoEFCC	19-20 August, 2025	Ongoing
<b>B.8.</b>	Capacity Building Workshop on use GIS and Satellite Imagery for the Professionals of World Heritage Sites	Dr. Gautam Talukdar and WII team	MoEFCC	18-19 September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>B.9.</b>	Heritage Concepts Enhancing Understanding and Engagement for Tour Guides and Naturalists	Dr. Gautam Talukdar and WII team	MoEFCC	13-15 October, 2025	Ongoing
<b>B.10.</b>	Sensitization Workshop on “Urban Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services	Dr. Gautam Talukdar and WII team	MoEFCC	10-12 December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>B.11.</b>	Ten-day Orientation Workshop on “Wildlife & Health Management” for Veterinary Officers of Rajasthan	Dr Parag Nigam	Rajasthan FD	2025-2026	Approval and Funds awaited
<b>External</b>					
<b>B.12.</b>	Field Course: Interventions in Wild Animal Health (IWAH 2025), Naivasha, Kenya	WII-ZSL-UoE-UoM-RVC-Toronto Zoo	External	February 2026	To be initiated
<b>C.</b>	<b>Activities for implementing the mandate of UNESCO Category 2 Centre on ‘Natural World Heritage Management &amp; Training for the Asia-Pacific Region (NWHMT)’</b>				
<b>C.1.</b>	World Heritage Day workshop and celebration	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	National CAMPA	April, 2025	To be organized

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<b>C.2.</b>	Training of Frontline Staff of World Natural and Mixed Heritage Sites	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	National CAMPA	June, 2025	Subject to Availability of funds
<b>C.3.</b>	Four-week Certificate Course - I in Natural Heritage Management for Indian Govt. Officials	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	National CAMPA	August, 2025	Subject to Availability of funds
<b>C.4.</b>	Training Programme on OUV Monitoring for World Natural Heritage Site Managers	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	National CAMPA	October, 2025	Subject to Availability of funds
<b>C.5.</b>	MEA-ITEC Training Course in Natural Heritage (TCNH) – 2-week- International Participants	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	MEA-ITEC	January, 2026	To be Sanctioned
<b>C.6.</b>	MEA-ITEC Training Course in Natural Heritage (TCNH) – 4-week- International Participants	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	MEA-ITEC	February, 2026	To be Sanctioned
<b>C.7.</b>	MEA-ITEC Certificate Course in Natural Heritage (CCNHM) – 4-week	Dr R Suresh Kumar (NO) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (ANO)	MEA-ITEC	March, 2026	To be Sanctioned
<b>D.</b>	<b>Activities for implementing the mandate of National Wildlife Action Plan/Standing Committee of NBWL (Grant-in-aid)</b>				
<b>E.</b>	<b>Activities for implementing the mandate of National Tiger Conservation Authority</b>				
<b>E.1.</b>	Activities of WII-NTCA Tiger Cell.	Dr Bilal Habib (NO) Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam (ANO) Tiger Cell	NTCA	Continuous	Ongoing

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<b>E.2.</b>	Study of tiger ecology and dispersal patterns in Kanha Tiger Reserves.	Dr Bilal Habib (NO) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (ANO) Tiger Cell	NTCA	March,2028	Ongoing
<b>E.3.</b>	MSTriPES implementation in Tiger Reserves.	Dr Bilal Habib (NO) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (ANO) Tiger Cell	NTCA	Continuous	Ongoing
<b>E.4.</b>	Identification of tiger corridor in an around Palamau Tiger Reserve	Dr Bilal Habib (NO) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (ANO) Tiger Cell	NTCA	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>E.5.</b>	Connecting the Dots: Finding Dispersal Corridors for Tigers in Kaziranga – Karbi Anglong Landscape	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. G.V. Gopi Dr. S.A. Hussain	NTCA	December, 2026	Ongoing
<b>E.6.</b>	Introduction of the Cheetah to India - Phase I	Dr Bilal Habib (NO) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (ANO) Tiger Cell	NTCA & MoEFCC	September, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>F</b>	<b>MoEF&amp;CC &amp; Other Agencies Funded Projects &amp; Activities</b>				
<b>F.1</b>	Elephant Cell	Dr. Parag Nigam (NO) Dr. Anukul Nath (ANO)	MoEFCC	Regular	Ongoing
<b>F.2</b>	EIACP Centre	Dr. K. Ramesh (Coordinator) Dr. Ramesh Chinnasamy (Co-coordinator) and Editors	EIACP Secretariat, MoEFCC	Regular	Ongoing
<b>F.3</b>	Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats (IDWH Scheme)	Co-ordinator : Dr Gautam Talukdar	MOEFCC	-	Ongoing
<b>F.3.1</b>	IDWH - Marine Turtles	Dr R Suresh Kumar (PI) Dr Bivash Pandav (Co-PI) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.3.2</b>	IDWH - Andaman Edible Swiftlet	Dr R Suresh Kumar (PI) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.3.3</b>	IDWH - Nicobar Megapode	Dr R Suresh Kumar (PI) Dr Nehru Prabakaran (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.3.4</b>	IDWH - Vultures	Dr R Suresh Kumar (PI) Dr Gautam Talukdar (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.3.5</b>	IDWH - Malabar Civet	Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam (PI) Prof. Q. Qureshi (Co-PI) Dr Samrat Mondol (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	April, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.3.6</b>	IDWH - Clouded Leopard	Dr. Bilal Habib (PI) Dr. Gopi GV (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	March, 2026	Ongoing

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<b>F.3.7</b>	IDWH - Humpback Whale	Dr. JA Johnson (PI) Dr. Nehru Prabakaran (Co-PI) Ms. Chinmaya Ghanekar Dr. K. Sivakumar, PU	MoEFCC	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.3.8.</b>	IDWH - Red Panda	Dr. Gopi GV (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>F.3.9.</b>	IDWH - Habitat Monitoring	Dr. Gautam Talukdar (PI) Dr. Amit Kumar (Co-PI) Dr. Nehru Prabakaran (Co-PI) and Varun Kher (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>F.4.</b>	Evaluation of Management Effectiveness of Coastal and Marine Protected Areas	Dr. Gautam Talukdar (PI) & WII Team	MoEFCC	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>F.5.</b>	Implementing Rhino DNA Indexing System (RhoDIS) to curb Rhino poaching and help population management across Rhino-bearing states in India-Phase II	Dr. Samrat Mondol (PI)	MoEFCC & WWF-India	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>F.6.</b>	Development of genetic database of captive elephants across India for welfare and management	Dr. Samrat Mondol Dr. Parag Nigam Dr. Bilal Habib	MoEFCC	September, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>F.7.</b>	Pilot Project on Five-Year Integrated Management Plan of Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve	Dr. BS Adhikari (PI) Dr. Anukul Nath	MoEFCC	November, 2026	Ongoing
<b>F.8.</b>	Monitoring freshwater fish population in selected Indian landscapes with reference to the changing climatic variables- under LTEO Programme	Dr. J.A. Johnson (PI) - Freshwater Theme Dr. Anuradha Bhat ( IISER), Kol Dr. Vidyadhar Atkore, (SACON ) Dr. Prasanta Nanda, (DN College)	MoEFCC	March, 2027	Ongoing
<b>F.9.</b>	Evaluation of Efficacy of Various Population Estimation Methods for Elephants to Develop Population Monitoring Protocol	Dr. Bilal Habib - PI Dr. Parag Nigam - PI Elephant Cell Team	MoEFCC	March, 2025	March, 2025
<b>F.10.</b>	Understanding elephant conflict issues for suggesting conflict reduction measures Phase II (Odisha, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka)	Dr Bilal Habib Dr. (Capt) Parag Nigam Dr. Dheeraj Mittal Dr Anukul Nath	MoEFCC, Elephant Cell	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>F.11.</b>	Integrated Conservation and Management Strategies for Ripu-Chirang Elephant Reserve: A multifaced approach	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Parag Nigam Dr. Anukul Nath	MoEFCC, Elephant Cell	April, 2024 to March, 2026	Ongoing



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<b>G.</b>	<b>Activities funded under National CAMPA, MoEFCC</b>				
<b>G.1.</b>	Project Great Indian Bustard (National Conservation Action Plan for GIB and Lesser Florican)	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PI) Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam (Co-PI), Mr. Varun Kher (Co-PI), Dr. Lallianpuii Kawlani (Co-PI)	National CAMPA	March, 2029	Ongoing
<b>G.2.</b>	Conservation Action Plan for Manipur's Brow Antlered Deer or Sangai: An Integrated Approach.	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. S.A. Hussain (Co-PI)	National CAMPA	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>G.3.</b>	Development of Conservation Action Plan for Ganges River Dolphins	Dr Vishnupriya Kolipakam (PI) Dr Lallianpuii Kawlani (Co-PI) Dr Vidyadhar Atkore (Co-PI)	National CAMPA	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>G.4.</b>	Recovery of Dugongs and their Habitats in India: An Integrated Participatory Approach.	Dr. J.A. Johnson (PI) Dr. Nehru Prabakaran (Co-PI) Ms. Chinmaya Ghanekar Dr. K. Sivakumar, PU	National CAMPA	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>G.5.</b>	Developing genetic database of rhino horn stockpile of Assam to curb poaching threat and assess temporal changes in genetic variation	Dr. Samrat Mondol (PI)	National CAMPA	March, 2027	Ongoing

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<b>H.</b>	<b>Research Projects/ Collaborative Projects: Externally Funded (National)</b>				
<b>H.1</b>	Nesting waterbirds in and around select wetlands of Tamil Nadu	Dr. G.V.Gopi (PI)	ANRF	September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.2.</b>	Assessment and monitoring of climate change effects on wildlife species and ecosystems for developing adaptation and mitigation strategies in the Indian Himalayan region.	Dr. J.A. Johnson (Nodal Officer) Dr. Ruchi Badola Dr.V.P.Uniyal Dr. K. Ramesh Dr. R. Suresh Kumar Dr. Gautam Talukdar Dr.Abhijit Das Dr. Navendu Page (External Collaborator)	DST- NMSHE Phase-II	March, 2027	Ongoing (Approved awaiting fund release)
<b>H.3.</b>	Implementation of Integrated Landscape Management Plan for Greater Panna Landscape, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh	Dr. K. Ramesh (PI), Dr. Sandeep Gupta (Co-PI), Dr. Ramesh Chinnasamy (Co-PI), Dr. Prashant Mahajan (Co-PI), Dr. Rajah Jayapal (Co-PI), Dr.Vidyadar Atkore (Co-PI) & Collaborators from other organizations	National Water Development Agency (Ministry of Jal Shakti)	March, 2034	Ongoing
<b>H.4.</b>	Conservation ecology of endangered Reticulated Pythons, Malayopython reticulatus (Schneider 1801), in the Nicobar Archipelago, India	Dr. Ramesh Chinnasamy (PI) Dr. Nehru P (Co-PI) Dr. S.K. Gupta (Co-PI)	ANRF	July, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>H.5.</b>	Augmentation and Long-term Monitoring of Tiger in Buxa Tiger Reserve, West Bengal	Dr. K. Ramesh (PI) Dr. Sandeep Gupta (Co-PI)	West Bengal Forest Department and NTCA	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.6.</b>	Establishment of a web portal for dissemination of research findings as a decision support system for policy makers and wildlife managers in Maharashtra	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Parag Nigam	Maharashtra Forest Department	February, 2029	Ongoing
<b>H.7.</b>	Long-Term Monitoring of Tigers, Co-Predators and Prey in Tiger Reserves and Other Tiger Bearing Areas of Vidarbha, Maharashtra (10 Years)	Dr. Bilal Habib - PI Dr. Parag Nigam – Co-PI	Maharashtra Forest Department	February, 2029	Ongoing
<b>H.8.</b>	Ecology & Conservation of major carnivores and ungulates of semi arid grasslands –scrub-agro systems in Karnataka	Dr Bilal Habib (PI) Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam (Co-PI) Dr. Lallianpuii Kawlni (Co-PI)	Karnataka Forest Department	March, 2027	Ongoing
<b>H.9.</b>	Comprehensive study and documentation of endangered flora and fauna of Meghalaya	Dr. Abhijit Das (PI) Navendu Page (Co-PI)	Meghalaya Biodiversity Board	December, 2024	Ongoing

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<b>H.10.</b>	A comprehensive study on the ecology and population status of a human commensal – the House Sparrow <i>Passer domesticus</i> in the Uttarakhand State	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar	Uttarakhand State Forest Department	September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.11.</b>	Assessment of genetic variation and reproductive hormone profiles in selected endangered species of conservation interest at the Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park, West Bengal	Dr. Samrat Mondol	West Bengal Forest Department	October, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.12.</b>	Monitoring of Wildlife Overpasses and Underpasses on Samruddhi Expressway Phase II	Dr. Bilal Habib	Maharashtra State Road Development Corporation	July, 2027	Ongoing
<b>H.13.</b>	To develop a digital herbarium of tree species, capacity building of forest frontline for tree and plant identification and produce a Field Guide to Trees of Assam.	Dr. Abhijit Das (PI) Dr. Navendu Page (PI) Dr. Santany Dey (Co-PI) Dr. Sonali Ghosh (Co-PI) Kasturi Sule (Co-PI)	Assam State Biodiversity Board	December, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>H.14.</b>	Developing Integrated Management Plan of Asola-Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary (ABWS), Delhi	Dr. BS Adhikari (PI) Dr. Ruchi Badola (Co-PI) Dr. Parag Nigam (Co-PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Gautam Talukdar (Co-PI) Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh (Co-PI) Dr. Abhijit Das (Co-PI) Shri Ritesh Gautam (Co-PI) Dr. A.K. Bhardwaj (SMS)	Govt. of NCT of Delhi	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.15.</b>	Gaur Reintroduction Plan (2023-28): Establishment of Gaur ( <i>Bos gaurus gaurus</i> ) in Sanjay Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh.	Dr. Parag Nigam (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Samrat Mondol (Co-PI)	Madhya Pradesh Forest Department	March, 2028	Ongoing
<b>H.16.</b>	Population Genetics and Genome Sequencing of Critically endangered Kashmir red deer or Hangul ( <i>Cervus hanglu hanglu</i> ) for its Conservation and population recovery. (2023-2025)	Dr. Parag Nigam Co-PI Dr. Samrat Mondol Co-PI Dr. Khursheed Ahmad (PI)	J&K Govt. under CAMPA & MOEFCC Through SKUAST-K	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.17.</b>	Assessing population distribution parameters and climate related dietary patterns of Ibisbill across elevation gradients in the western Himalayas for conservation planning	Dr. Parag Nigam (Co-PI) Dr. Khursheed Ahmad (PI)	ANRF, GoI Through SKUAST-K	December, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>H.18.</b>	Niche selection and Meso-predator release in High Altitude Systems	Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh (PI)	ANRF	May, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.19.</b>	Ecology of Wolves in Gadag District Karnataka	Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh	Karnataka FD	August, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.20.</b>	State of India's Birds	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta, Dr. Suresh Kumar, Dr. Gopi G.V., Dr. K. Ramesh & WII, SACON team in collaboration with ATREE, Bird Count India, BNHS, NCF, NCBS, WWF & other agencies	Multi-institutional	Regular	Ongoing
<b>H.21.</b>	Nomination Dossier preparation of Bhedaghat-Lametaghat in Narmada Valley	Dr. Gautam Talukdar and WII team	Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board	July, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.22.</b>	Nomination Dossier preparation of Keibul Lamjao Conservation Area	Dr. Gautam Talukdar Dr. Ruchi Badola Dr. Anukul Nath	Manipur Forest Department	December, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>H.23.</b>	Planning and management for aquatic species conservation and maintenance of ecosystem services in the Ganga river basin for a clean Ganga	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. S.A. Hussain (Co-PI)	National Mission for Clean Ganga (Ministry of Jal Shakti)	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.24.</b>	Assessment of the ecological status of select Indian rivers for conservation planning	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. S.A. Hussain (Co-PI)	National River Conservation Directorate (Ministry of Jal Shakti)	June, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.25.</b>	Tracking movements and population assessment of nesting seabirds in the Pitti Island Bird Sanctuary and other islands of the Lakshadweep Archipelago – A Pilot Initiative	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar	Lakshadweep Forest Department	June, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.26.</b>	Understanding the nearshore and migratory movements of Green Sea turtles ( <i>Chelonia mydas</i> ) and Hawksbill Sea turtles ( <i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i> ) from the Lakshadweep Islands	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar	Lakshadweep Forest Department	June, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.27.</b>	Assessing the impacts on wildlife in captivity at the National Zoological Park, New Delhi due to the proposed Delhi-Gurugram-Rewari-Alwar Regional Rapid Transport System tunnelling work	Dr. Samrat Mondol (PI) Dr. R. Suresh Kumar (Co-PI)	National Capital Region Transport Corporation	March, 2026	Ongoing

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<b>H.28.</b>	Coastal and Marine Biodiversity of Goa state	Ms. Chinmaya Ghanekar Dr. J.A. Johnson	Forests Department of Goa	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.29.</b>	Ecology and Conservation Perspectives of Fishing cat (Prionailurus viverrinus) in EGREE, Andhra Pradesh	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Parag Nigam	AP Forest Department	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.30.</b>	Response to Anthropocene and Climate Change: Movement Ecology of Selected Mammal Species across Indian Himalayan Region	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. G. S. Rawat	NMHS Medium Grant	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.31.</b>	Comprehensive population assessment of Waterbirds and track movements of select species of the Wular Lake and adjoining areas	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar; Dr. Nehru Prabakaran; Dr. Gautam Talukdar	Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board	July, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.32.</b>	Understanding the impact of mining areas of Western Coalfields Limited (WCL) and Chandrapur Thermal Power Plant, Chandrapur for effective management of wildlife	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Parag Nigam	WCL and MAHAGENCO	March, 2026	Ongoing



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<b>H.33.</b>	Jalaj - connecting river and people to realize arth Ganga	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. S.A. Hussain (Co-PI)	NMCG	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.34.</b>	Long term research and conservation interventions in and around tiger reserves of Odisha	Dr. Bivash Pandav & Dr. Samrat Mondol	Odisha Forest Department	December, 2030	Ongoing
<b>H.35.</b>	Intergrated study of the effects of construction of twin tunnel on Wildlife of Sanjay Gandhi National Park, Mumbai, Maharashtra	Dr Bilal Habib (PI) Dr Anukul Nath (Co-PI)	MMRDA	December, 2027	Ongoing
<b>H.36.</b>	Impact assessment of extended reach drilling (ERD) horizontal direction drilling (HDD) technology with surface facilities on wildlife and above-ground biodiversity of the forest, outside the forest boundaries	Dr Bilal habib (PI)	DGH	January, 2030	Ongoing
<b>H.37.</b>	Monitoring wildlife underpasses on Dehradun - Delhi Highway (NH- 72 A)	Dr Bilal Habib (PI) Dr Bivash Pandav (Co-PI)	NHAI	March, 2029	Ongoing
<b>H.38.</b>	Cumulative impact assessment study on wildlife and its habitat due to proposed access controlled supr communication expressway o eastern Maharashtra for mtigation measures	Dr Bilal Habib (PI) Dr Anukul Nath (Co-PI)	MSRDC	February, 2027	Ongoing

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<b>H.39.</b>	Human Wildlife Conflict Management and Zonal Management Plan for Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam area, Andhra Pradesh	Dr. K. Ramesh (PI), Dr. Prashant Mahajan (Co-PI) Dr. Ashutosh Singh (Co-PI)	Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams, Andhra Pradesh	December, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.40.</b>	Tiger Recovery Strategy and Long-term Monitoring In Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra - Phase II: Active Recovery of Prey Populations, Tigers, Monitoring and Landscape Strategies	Dr. K. Ramesh (PI) Dr. Navendu Page (Co-PI) Dr. Prashant Mahajan	Maharashtra Forest Department	March, 2030	Ongoing
<b>H.41.</b>	Ecology of avian scavengers in Thar desert: Understanding resource utilization and canine interaction of avian scavengers in the Thar desert, with special attention to the Red-Headed Vulture ( <i>Sarcogyps calvus</i> )	Mr. Varun Kher, Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PIs)	Raptor Research & Conservation Foundation	September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.42.</b>	Study on impacts and mitigation of proposed mine near Ramgarh, Jaisalmer on Great Indian Bustard, its associated wildlife, and habitat	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PI) Mr. Varun Kher (Co-PI) Dr. Gopi GV (Co-PI)	Dalmia Cement	November, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>H.43.</b>	Study for preparation of report on impacts and mitigation of proposed limestone mine near Khuiyala, Jaisalmer on Great Indian Bustard, its associated wildlife and habitat	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PI) Mr. Varun Kher (Co-PI) Dr. Gopi GV (Co-PI)	Rajasthan State Mines & Minerals Limited, Jodhpur	September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.44.</b>	Study the Impacts of Morand-Ganjali Irrigation Project on Wildlife and Preparation of Wildlife Mitigation Plan	Dr. Gopi GV	Narmada Valley Development Authority	January, 2027	Ongoing
<b>H.45.</b>	Cumulative impact assessment and preparation of mitigation plan for the Hubballi-Ankola Railway Line	Dr. Abhijit Das (PI) Dr. J.A. Johnson (Co-PI) Dr. G.V. Gopi (Co-PI)	South Western Railway	June, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.46.</b>	Assessment of Wildlife values along one Km segment upstream of the National Chambal Gharial Sanctuary from Kota Barrage to Hanging Bridge, Rajasthan.	Dr. Abhijit Das	Protected Areas Conservation Society (RPACS)	September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.47.</b>	Conservation & Management Plan of Salt Water Crocodile ( <i>Crocodylus porosus</i> ) in Great Nicobar Island	Dr. Abhijit Das (PI) Dr. J.A. Johnson (Co-PI) Dr. Ramesh Chinnasamy (Co-PI)	Andaman and Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation	February, 2030	Ongoing

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<b>H.48.</b>	Conservation and long-term monitoring of Sea Turtles of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands with a special focus on the Leather-back Sea Turtle.	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar Dr. Nehru Prabakaran	Andaman and Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation	February, 2030	Ongoing
<b>H.49.</b>	Movement ecology and population connectivity of the endemic Nicobar Megapode ( <i>Megapodius nicobariensis</i> ) in the Nicobar archipelago	Dr. Nehru Prabakaran Dr. R. Suresh Kumar	Andaman and Nicobar Islands Integrated Development Corporation	February, 2030	Ongoing
<b>H.50.</b>	Pollinator Diversity, Pollination Interactions, and Aquatic Assessment of Sukhna Lake in Chandigarh and Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary: A Comprehensive Study	Mr Ritesh Kumar Gautam (PI) Dr G.V. Gopi (Co-PI) Dr. BS Adhikari (Co-PI)	Department of Science & Technology & Renewable Energy, Chandigarh Administration	October, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.51.</b>	Understanding the movements and nesting habitat dynamics of Olive Ridley Turtles ( <i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i> ) along the Odisha coast	Dr. R Suresh Kumar	Odisha Forest Department	January, 2028	Ongoing
<b>H.52.</b>	Integrating population and habitat ecology for the management of migratory water-birds of the Central Asian Flyway at the Chilika Ramsar site	Dr. R Suresh Kumar	Odisha Forest Department	December, 2026	Ongoing

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<b>H.53.</b>	Tracking the long-distance migration of Amur Falcons from Manipur - Phase 2	Dr. R. Suresh Kumar	Manipur Forest Department	December, 2026	Ongoing
<b>H.54.</b>	Regional Coordination Programme for Prevention and Control of Zoonotic. Diseases in India (NOHP-PCZ-NCDC)	Dr. Lallianpuii Kawlni	Centre for One Health, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	December, 2024	Ongoing
<b>H.55.</b>	Assessment of Biodiversity Values in Saranda Forest Division, West Singhbhum District, Jharkhand	Mr. Prashant Mahajan, Dr. K. Ramesh, Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh, Dr. Ashish Jha and Mr. Ritesh Kumar Gautam	Jharkhand Forest Department	September, 2024	Ongoing
<b>H.56.</b>	Scientific Study for Assessment of Carrying Capacity of Kedarnath, Hemkund Sahib, Gangotri & Yamunotri tracks of Uttarakhand	Dr. B.S.Adhikari (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh (Co-PI) Dr Tanveer Ahmed (Co-PI)	Uttarakhand Pollution Control Board	September, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.57.</b>	Wildlife Mitigation and Conservation Plan for Proposed Alignment of SH-103 Passing through Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary, Pune, Maharashtra	Dr Bilal Habib	Public Works Department	December, 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.58.</b>	Population Management Strategies for Gaur (Bos gaurus gaurus) Conservation: Supplementation of Gaur in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh	Dr. Parag Nigam (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Samrat Mondol (Co-PI)	MPFD	3 years September, 2024 - 2027	Ongoing

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<b>H.59.</b>	A pilot study on “The feasibility assessment of Gaur ( <i>Bos gaurus gaurus</i> ) for reintroduction in Ratapani and Virangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh	Dr. Parag Nigam (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Anukul Nath (Co-PI)	MPFD	6 Months February to July 2025	Ongoing
<b>H.60.</b>	Assessment of Wildlife Values and Land Tenure for Planning Rationalization of boundaries for Changthang and Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuaries, Ladakh	Dr. S. Sathyakumar Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh	Dept. of Wildlife Protection, UT of Ladakh	March, 2025	Ongoing
<b>I.</b>	<b>Research Projects/ Collaborative Projects: Externally Funded (International)</b>				
<b>I.1.</b>	Collaborative activities in Training, Research and Academic advancements under MoU between WII and Zoological Society of London.	Dr. Parag Nigam (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI)	WII/ZSL/ University of Edinburgh	April, 2025	Ongoing
<b>I.2.</b>	An Indicator species approach for Monitoring Stream Health and Climate Change Impacts for Himalaya- JICA Funded Study	Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh	JICA - HPFD	June, 2025	Ongoing
<b>I.3.</b>	Meta-population dynamics of tigers in the Terai-arc landscape, India.	Dr. Samrat Mondol (PI)	WCT-PANTHERA	December, 2025	Ongoing

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<b>I.4.</b>	WII-University of Chicago collaborative Bird study in Western and Eastern Himalayas.	Dr. S.K. Gupta (PI) Dr. Ashish Jha (Co-PI) Dr. Ashutosh Singh (Co-PI)	University of Chicago	December, 2028	Ongoing
<b>I.5.</b>	Conserving Vital Connections across Expanding Linear Infrastructure in a Transboundary Terai Arc Landscape (TAL)	Dr. Bilal Habib - PI	USFWS	August, 2026	Ongoing
<b>I.6.</b>	Movement pattern, demography, interaction with livestock and their impacts on parasite load of Swamp deer ( <i>Rucervus duvauceli duvauceli</i> ) at Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, India	Dr. Samrat Mondol (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Parag Nigam (Co-PI) Dr. Bivash Pandav (Co-PI)	IUCN	March, 2026	Ongoing
<b>I.7.</b>	Assessment of Human-Wildlife Interactions with a specific focus on action for mitigating the Human-Elephant conflict in Wokha and Mokokchung Districts in Nagaland.	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Anukul Nath	KfW under German Financial Cooperation with India	June, 2027	Ongoing
<b>I.8.</b>	Develop a comprehensive Climate Adaptation Strategy and a Detailed Implementation Roadmap on Ecosystems & Biodiversity for India's National Adaptation Plan	Dr. B.S. Adhikari Dr. Gautam Talukdar	UNDP	December, 2026	Ongoing

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J.	Research Projects: Grant-in-aid / Revolving Fund				
Grant-in-aid Funded					
J.1.	Research Coordinator, Researcher Recruitment & Placement Cell	Dr. Bivash Pandav Dr. J.A. Johnson Dr. Vishnupriya, K. Dr. Amit Kumar	RRPC Revolving fund	Regular	Ongoing
J.2.	Wildlife Forensics and Conservation Genetics Cell	Dr. Samrat Mondol, (NO) Dr. Vishnupriya K. (ANO)	WFCGC Revolving fund	Regular	Ongoing
J.3.	Activity related to Research Biology Laboratory	Dr. Samrat Mondol, (NO) Dr. Abhijit Das (ANO) Shri Ritesh Gautam (ANO)	Grant- in - aid	Regular	Ongoing
J.4.	WII Herbarium	Dr Amit Kumar & Dr Nehru Prabakaran	Grant- in - aid	Regular	Ongoing
J.5.	Conservation Advisory and Policy Cell	Dr. Gopi.G.V (Nodal Officer) Dr. Abhijit Das (Associate Nodal Officer) & Select WII Faculty Members as team	EIA Revolving Fund, MoEF&CC and Project Proponents	Regular	Ongoing
J.6.	Pashmina Certification Centre	Dr. S.K. Gupta (Coordinator) Dr. CP Sharma	Public Private Partnership	Regular	Ongoing
J.7.	External Affiliations	Dr. Samrat Mondol (NO) Dr. Anukul Nath (ANO) & NOEA Office	NOEA Revolving Fund	Regular	Ongoing



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<b>K.</b>	<b>Projects completed During the FY 2024-25 (Grant-in-aid/Externally Funded/Collaborative Projects)</b>				
<b>K.1.</b>	IDWH - Asiatic Lion	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PI) Prof. Q. Qureshi (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	-	Dropped
<b>K.2.</b>	Preparation of Integrated Wildlife Action Plan comprising of mitigation and compensating measures with landscape approach of entire forest area in Hazaribagh Wildlife Forest Division, Hazaribagh West Forest Division and Koderma Forest Division in the impact zone of the Koderma Detour of DFCCIL project	Dr. G.V.Gopi (PI) Dr. J.A. Johnson (Co-PI) Dr. Abhijit Das (Co-PI) Dr. Navendu Page (Co-PI) Dr. Lallianpui Kawlani (Co-PI)	Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCI)	May, 2024	Completed
<b>K.3.</b>	Cumulative Environment Impact Assessment on wildlife habitat and ecological values due to proposed doubling of railway track from Tinaighat to Kulem in the northern Western Ghats	Dr. Bilal Habib (PI) Dr. Parag Nigam (Co-PI) Dr. Gopi G.V. (Co-PI) Dr. Abhijit Das (Co-PI) Dr. Malvika Oniol (Co-PI) Dr. Navendu Page (Co-PI) Dr. S. P. Goyal (Co-PI)	RVNL	May, 2024	Completed
<b>K.4.</b>	IDWH - River Terrapin	Dr. Abhijit Das (PI) Dr. Samrat Mondol (Co-PI) Dr. Vishnupriya (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	June, 2024	Completed

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<b>K.5.</b>	Preparation of Plan for Phasing out of grazing in Sainj and Tirthan WLS	Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh & Dr. BS Adhikari	HPFD	June, 2024	Completed
<b>K.6.</b>	Landscape-scale assessment of habitat, population, and genetic structure of Hispid Hare <i>Caprolagus hispidus</i> in the highly fragmented Terai grassland of India.	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta, Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam Dr. Anukul Nath	DST	June, 2024	Completed
<b>K.7.</b>	Habitat Improvement & Conservation Breeding of Great Indian Bustard	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PI) Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam, Mr. Varun Kher, Dr. Lallianpuui Kawlni (Co-PI)	National CAMPA	June, 2024	Completed
<b>K.8.</b>	Preparation of Management Recommendations for Gangotri and Govind NP	Dr. Salvador Lyngdoh & Dr. BS Adhikari	UNDP- SECURE	September, 2024	Completed
<b>K.9.</b>	IDWH - Jerdon's Courser	Dr. Sutirtha Dutta (PI) Dr. R Suresh Kumar (Co-PI) Dr P Jeganathan (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	December, 2024	Completed
<b>K.10.</b>	Black Kites in Delhi & UP	Dr. Nishant Kumar (PI) Prof. Qamar Qureshi (Co-PI)	Raptor Research & Conservation Foundation	December, 2024	Completed

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<b>K.11.</b>	Supporting trans-boundary tiger recovery in Nandhaur WLS, Uttarkhand	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Ruchi Badola	ZSL/ IUCN-KfW	December, 2024	Completed
<b>K.12.</b>	Study the various Impacts that may occur due to the De - Silting of Harike Wetland	Dr. Gopi.G.V Dr.Amit Kumar	Rajasthan Feeder Canal Ground Water Department	January, 2025	Completed
<b>K.13.</b>	Mitigation Plan for Dehradun – Haridwar Railway Line	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Parag Nigam	Northern Railways	February, 2025	Completed
<b>K.14.</b>	IDWH - Swamp Deer	Prof. Q. Qureshi (PI) Dr. Bivash Pandav (Co-PI) Dr Samrat Mondol (Co-PI) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	February, 2025	Completed
<b>K.15.</b>	An integrated approach for conservation of Takin ( <i>Budorcas taxicolor</i> ) in North East India: Linking species ecology and traditional ecological knowledge	Dr. G.V. Gopi, (PI) Dr. S. Sathyakumar, (Co-PI) Dr. Parag Nigam (Co-PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	February, 2025	Completed
<b>K.16.</b>	Ecological sensitive zone studies & development of Conservation Plan for Kaiga Atomic Power Project Unit 5&6, District Uttarkanada, Karnataka	Dr. Gopi.G.V Dr.Abhijit Das Dr. Navendu Page	Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited	February, 2025	Completed

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<b>K.17.</b>	IDWH - Wild Buffalo	Prof Q. Qureshi (PI) Dr Bivash Pandav (Co-PI) Dr Bilal Habib(Co-PI) Dr Samrat Mondol (Co-PI) Dr Vishnupriya Kolipakam(Co-PI) Dr Lallianpuii Kawlni(Co-PI)	MoEFCC	February, 2025	Completed
<b>K.18.</b>	IDWH - Rhino	Prof. Q. Qureshi (PI) Dr Samrat Mondol (Co-PI) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	February, 2025	Completed
<b>K.19.</b>	Assessing population dynamics, genetics & breeding patterns of threatened mountain ungulates for species recovery and community based conservation in Western Himalayas.	Dr. Parag Nigam PI from Partner Institute WII Dr. Samrat Mondol (Co-PI) Dr. Khursheed Ahmad Lead PI, SKUAST-K	DBT, Gol SKUAST-K	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.20.</b>	Management of Invasive Species in Wet Grasslands of Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. B.S.Adhikari (Co-PI) Dr. S.A. Hussain (Co-PI)	NTCA	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.21.</b>	IDWH - Caracal	Prof. Q. Qureshi (PI) Dr.Vishnupriya Kolipakam (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	March, 2025	Completed

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<b>K.22.</b>	Evaluation of Management Effectiveness of Protected Areas of National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries.	Dr. Gautam Talukdar (PI) & WII Team	MoEFCC	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.23.</b>	Rangewide estimation of River Dolphins	Dr. Vishnupriya Kolipakam (PI)	National CAMPA	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.24.</b>	Development of landscape management plan and monitoring strategy with reference to Ken-Betwa river-linking project in Panna Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh.	Dr. K. Ramesh (PI) Dr. J.A. Johnson (Co-PI)	National Water Development Agency (Ministry of Jal Shakti)	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.25.</b>	Movement Ecology of Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> ) for Conflict Prediction and Landscape Management in Sathyamangalam-Nilgiri Biosphere Complex, Southern India	Dr. K. Ramesh (PI) Dr. Vaibhav Mathur (Co-PI) Ms. Harini Venugopal (Co-PI) & Field Directors (Collaborators)	NTCA	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.26.</b>	Understanding Large Carnivore Conflict Issues in Maharashtra for Suggesting Conflict Reduction Measures	Dr. Bilal Habib Dr. Parag Nigam	Maharashtra Forest Department	March, 2025	Completed

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<b>K.27.</b>	Establishment of Community COVID Resilience Resource Centres (CCRRCs)	Dr. Ruchi Badola Dr. Malavika Onial (Co-PI)	DST	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.28.</b>	Understanding Population Dynamics, Space Use, Movement and Diet of Leopards in Junnar Taluka, Maharashtra for Human Leopard Conflict Mitigation	Dr. Bilal Habib (PI) Dr. Samrat Mondol (Co. PI) Dr. Parag Nigam (Co. PI)	Maharashtra Forest Department	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.29.</b>	Promoting community participation in conservation and conflict resolution in the fringe villages of Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam	Dr. Ruchi Badola (PI) Dr. S.A. Hussain	NTCA	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.30.</b>	Understanding elephant conflict issues for suggesting conflict reduction measures (Chattisgarh, Jharkhand, Assam)	Dr Bilal Habib Dr. (Capt) Parag Nigam Dr. Dheeraj Mittal Dr Anukul Nath	Elephant Cell	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.31.</b>	Sustainably financing Palk Bay Dugong Conservation Area, India	Dr. J.A. Johnson (PI) Ms. Chinmaya Ghanekar Dr. K. Sivakumar, PU	ZSL/IUCN-BNCF	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.32.</b>	IDWH - Snow Leopard	Dr Sathyakumar (PI)	MoEFCC	March, 2025	Completed
<b>K.33.</b>	IDWH - Hangul	Prof Q. Qureshi (PI) Dr Khursheed Ahmed (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	March, 2025	Completed

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K.34.	IDWH - Nilgiri Tahr	Dr Sathyakumar (PI) Dr K Ramesh (Co-PI)	MoEFCC	March, 2025	Completed
K.35.	A pilot study on “The feasibility of Gaur Bos gaurus gaurus for reintroduction in Nagarjunasagar Srisailem Tiger Reserve, Andhra Pradesh”	Dr. Parag Nigam (PI) Dr. Bilal Habib (Co-PI) Dr. Samrat Mondol (Co-PI) Dr. Anukul Nath (Co-PI)	APFD	June 2024	Completed
<b>L</b>	<b>Projects to be initiated during the FY 2025-26 (Grant-in-aid/Externally Funded/Collaborative Projects)</b>				
L.1.	Enhancing the functionality of the transboundary Kamdi-Suhelwa complex for the management of dispersing	Dr Bilal Habib	ZSL	3 years	To be initiated
L.2.	Wildlife Mitigation and Conservation Plan for Proposed Alignment of SH-103 Passing through Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary, Pune, Maharashtra	Dr Bilal Habib	Public Works Department	09 Months	To be initiated
L.3.	Population Estimation of Leopard ( <i>Panthera pardus</i> ) Outside Protected Area Network in Maharashtra	Dr Bilal Habib	Maharashtra Forest Department	3 years	To be initiated

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<b>L.4.</b>	Identification of Conflict Hotspots and Leopard Population Dynamics in Nashik-Sangamner Landscape for Human-Leopard Conflict Mitigation, Maharashtra	Dr Bilal Habib	Maharashtra Forest Department	3 Years	To be initiated
<b>L.5.</b>	Conservation of Batagur baska in Sundarbans Tiger Reserve	Dr Abhijit Das, Dr Anukul Nath & Hemant Singh	NTCA	5 Years	To be initiated
<b>L.6.</b>	Diversity and Ecology of Amphibian Fauna of Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra	Dr.Abhijit Das	Maharashtra Gene Bank Project, Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board	-	To be initiated
<b>L.7.</b>	Diversity and Ecology of Herpetofuna of Melghat Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra	Dr.Abhijit Das	Maharashtra Forest Department	-	To be initiated
<b>L.8.</b>	Assessment and Genetic Diversity of Marine Mammals and Reptiles along the Maharashtra Coast: Implication for Conservation in Marine Ecosystems	Dr.Ramesh Chinnasamy (PI) Dr.S.K.Gupta (Co-PI)	Maharashtra Gene Bank Project, Maharashtra State Biodiversity Board	3 years	To be initiated