

Our adventures in 2022!



We are grateful for your support which made so much possible for CWS in 2022. We expanded our research and conservation work from the Western Ghats to Eastern Ghats, improving human wellbeing for communities whom we partner with and continued innovative scientific research to conserve wildlife and wild lands.

At CWS, we are honoured to have you on our side. We are excited to carry forward our learnings and I am delighted to share with you our highlights from 2022.

Media Coverage

Our work was featured in **111** media stories in print, film, and podcasts. We are happy to share our 12 favourites with you:

1. Doordarshan India

In conversation with Dr. Krithi Karanth.

2. BBC

Dr. Ullas Karanth interviewed about the Cheetah reintroduction in India.

3. The European Sting

These 13 innovative organizations are conserving and restoring India's forest landscapes (features CWS).

4. Vijaya Karnataka

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5. Frontline

Massive infrastructure project threatens Great Nicobar Island (article by our Doctoral Fellow, Ishika Ramakrishna).

6. Condé Nast Traveller

These women are working to save wildlife, people and the planet (features Dr. Krithi Karanth).

7. Council on Foreign Relations

Can India simultaneously protect the environment and promote development? (Interview with Dr. Krithi Karanth).

8. Swiss Learning Exchange

The complexity of human-leopard relationships (features our Doctoral Fellow, Shweta Shivakumar).

9. The Straits Times

Heartache for this animal lover when lives are affected and lost during human-wildlife clashes (features Dr. Krithi Karanth).

10. Swiss Learning Exchange

The importance of otters to multiple aquatic ecosystems (features our Research Fellow, Vinni Jain).

11. Deccan Herald

What Indian tourists like to see.

12. Hindustan Times

Dr. Ullas Karanth talks about his life and new book, Among Tigers.

Wildlife Research



Our research continues to lay the foundation for pragmatic and impactful conservation programs. In 2022, we published four research papers in Ecological Solutions and Evidence, Biological Conservation, Gajah and Tourism Recreation Research. You can find all of our 322 publications [here](#).

Conservation Programs



Our conservation programs [Wild Seve](#), [Wild Shaale](#) and [Wild Surakshe](#) continue to make strides in empowering communities living with wildlife across the Western Ghats.

[Wild Seve](#) completed seven years of service on 1st July 2022! Our team has assisted people in filing claims for ~22,000 incidents of human-wildlife conflict and facilitated ex-gratia payments from the Karnataka Government. We are delighted to share that Wild Seve has expanded to two new parks ~ Kali in Karnataka, and the Mudumalai in Tamil Nadu. Drawing from our experiences around the Nagarhole and Bandipur National Parks, we continue to stay committed to supporting human-wildlife coexistence.

With schools reopening across India, we were thrilled that our [Wild Shaale](#) program went to 225 schools in Karnataka, Goa and Tamil Nadu and interacted with ~ 7000 children. We launched Wild Champions, which encourages children to identify local environmental problems and come up with solutions – with the aid of their schoolteachers and our educators. We hope that Wild Shaale continues to inspire children to become solution-seeking leaders in the years to come.

Launched during the pandemic, our [Wild Surakshe](#) program has continued to work with gram panchayats, frontline forest and health department staff and communities. We share best practices and safety guidelines with people to understand and prevent human-wildlife conflict and wildlife diseases. In two years, we implemented the program in Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. By March 2023, we will be completing the work in Kerala. We have conducted 4,645 sessions, training more than 26,330 participants from more than 49 districts around 63 wildlife parks in the Western Ghats. We are grateful to and celebrate the courage, passion and dedication of our Surakshe teams in five states.

Events and Outreach

In 2022, [CWS' Wildlife Chronicles](#) webinar series hosted **11 exciting webinars** with 19 international and Indian experts. Topics included Collaborative Conservation Action, Environmental Education, Biogeography, Wildlife Health and Diseases, 50 Years of the Wild Life (Protection) Act 1972, Citizen Science, Literature in Conservation, Behavioural Studies and many more. Check out our webinars on CWS' YouTube channel [here!](#)

We continued posting our [Wild Science Blogs](#). Our **22 blogs** in English and Kannada, brought to life our scientific publications on Mitigating Human-Wildlife Interaction, Diversity in Agroforestry Landscapes, Species Connectivity, Relevance of Human Beliefs in Conservation, Animal Movement, Forest Vegetation, Spatial Modelling, Small-Carnivores, Human-Carnivore Interactions, Species Recovery and Human Perception. Please read the blogs [here!](#)

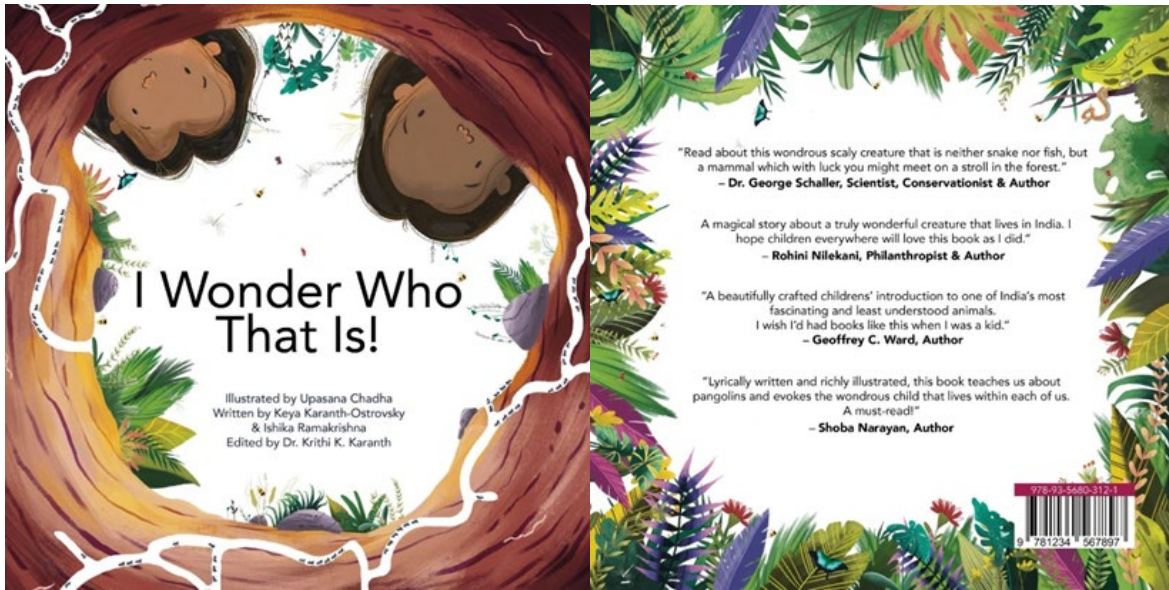
Leadership and Wellness Offsites for Teams at CWS



We believe in promoting staff well-being and developing leadership skills for everyone at CWS. With this in mind, we organized three offsites which involved all our staff! These personal gatherings helped us to connect with one another, reflect upon our work and goals, learn and unlearn from our past, and plan to work more collaboratively and impactfully.

Our Latest Children's Book

We published our third children's book titled 'I Wonder Who That Is' written by Keya Karanth-Ostrovsky and Ishika Ramakrishna. The stunning illustrations are by our design fellow Upasana Chadha. Please contact us if you would like a copy of the book!



We are profoundly grateful to you for being part of our community for 39 years. We are thankful for your heartfelt support and generosity to CWS. Your support enables our passionate, dynamic, young and diverse teams working to create a better world for the marvellous creatures that share our planet with us.

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