

Vulture Status Survey

Sahyadri Nisarga Mitra, Chiplun

Instructions

Documents Required:

1. First, please send a detailed plan of your survey visit for approval including:
 - i. Location
 - ii. Date of survey
2. Please submit the bills/ receipts of your expenses during the survey if you wish to apply for reimbursement.
3. The following documents will also be required for reimbursement:
 - i. Report of your survey
 - ii. Filled in questionnaire forms
 - iii. Photographs of the activities you carried out/ vultures sighted (optional)
4. Receipts and other documents may be sent to:

Sahyadri Nisarga Mitra, Chiplun.

11, United Park, Markandi,

Chiplun, dist. Ratnagiri- 415605.

How to fill up the Questionnaire

1. Please print out the forms on a Legal sheet.
2. **Form I** is to be filled in primarily using inputs from the villagers in the locations you visit.
3. Fill in atleast **five** forms per village
4. Form II is to be filled in case you sight vultures OR learn that vulture nesting/roosting occurs in the village.
5. Carry a pair of binoculars and a Field Guide to correctly identify the vulture species.

6. Common, local names of the trees in may be entered Q.5 and Q.6 if scientific names are not known.
7. We are also looking for the following information to analyze the threats faced by vultures in the region:
 - i. Shortage of food, due to absence of cattle dumps
 - ii. Presence of diclofenac in the area
 - iii. Destroying of vulture nests by coconut tree owners
 - iv. High use of pesticides and insecticides in the area
 - v. Killing of vultures for any reason
 - vi. Other threats
8. If you notice any of the above issues, mention note it in the Comments section of **Form II**.