



**GREEN CROSS INDIA**

*Protecting Nature Preserving Lives*

## **Forest Conservation Based Weed Removal & Tribal Livelihood Development project**

### **CONSERVATION BY SUBSTITUTION**

Using Lantana for Bamboo

Nowadays our consumption of natural resources either for human dwelling, livelihood or economic development, all had only resulted in ecological destruction, but for the first time in India. JKT sources innovative information that, even immense consumption of this resource from forest and farm lands is to en route for conservation of biodiversity.

On the other hand The majority of tribal communities are mostly not accessed with basic needs they live with least or often with no earnings, Even though the governments has many beneficiary schemes and has provided housing, lighting, medical and many necessities of basic living, Income generation of the tribal is still in uncertainty which creates the major problem of forest destruction, Encroachments Wildlife poaching and all other anti social activities leading to break of law and enforcement, *to end this hardship to enlighten the lives of many tribal and rural communities and to preserve the natural biodiversity of forests and farmlands here is an ultimate resolution*

We Jeeva Karunya Trust – (Green Cross India) a Registered Forest, Wild Life, Ecology, Environmental Conservation, Educational Youth Resource & social Development Organization...

Is now carrying out the conservation based action also providing dual benefit of

- 1. Tribal and rural livelihood development &**
- 2. Forest conservation based weed removal action**

Either to be clearly described as *Forest conservation based weed removal action intended for Tribal and rural livelihood development*

### **LANTANA a WEED**

- Lantana a plant considered as one of the weed that has spread throughout the countryside occupying forest and farm lands by destroying many native useful plants.
- This weed seen every were in the forest, farms, roadsides, as small thorny bushes and also serving food for some birds and black bear's with its black colored berry's.
- There is no major chance for life, to be inherent in or sheltered, food or habitat, for any animals, mammals, birds, reptiles, or any fauna and flora of myriad.
- Many butterflies and birds being attracted by the nectar and colors of the lantana flower can be seen always around these bushes which serve as a immense cause for the destruction of the forest through pollination of weed.



- Mostly found spread all over the road sides in and out of forest also acts as a barrier for the big animals to cross the forest, which comes out for a walk or it is simply just on in corridors the big animals like elephants and tigers are very insistent and while they are on their corridor are often face with many threats like **road kills** and **human animal conflicts** barely for the reason that they cannot find a passage within the short distance or the fence like thorny Lantana bushes acts as the barriers for the victim animal to get in to the forest at once they are in need to go by .
- Forest fire's one of the major cause is by Lantana as it is always seem to have dry leaves and steam easy to catch fire with just one flame and the continuity of the bush spreads the fire all over the forest creating a enormous destruction



## LANTANA as ECO PRODUCT



**Raw Lantana sticks**

The Innovation is that has prime demand around the globe, Further Supporting forest conservation, and tribal and rural income generation.

JKT empowers the tribal, rural youths and women in bringing up new ideas in the market that involves production of various products such as, organic vegetables, fruits, pesticide, milk products, herbal creams, paper bags, bee wax

candles, wooden and furniture, jute bags, house hold articles, etc. And trains tem to sustain in the growing economy delivering unique products that plays vital role in marketing JKT also particular in that the production and innovation of the product should be Eco-friendly like these beautiful handcrafts masterpieces of furniture's made with Lantana a plant considered as one of the ten most weed in the planet occupying forest and farm destroying various native useful plants and leads to a massive flora and fauna destruction



**Tribal Girl Sivagami with her first Lantana Craft Wall hanging**



**Tribal Women Designing a wall hanging**

## **LANTANA weeds AS ECO PRODUCTS CRAFTS DESIGNED BY TRIBES UNDER TRIBAL WELFARE AND LIVELIHOOD DEVELOPMENT TRAINING & PROGRAM**

Many of the tribes for a long time are depended on forest and use forest byproducts, some still are too primitive and to know that even there is a wildlife law and still their source of food is by hunting and poaching. But the SHOLIGAS tribal formerly as hunters were reallocate with

bamboo basket weaving, and at present they have found that lantana weed can also be used for weaving baskets instead of bamboo that has been moved towards protection of the forest act and we JKT with our acquaintances have revealed that lantana after traditional treatments and innovative process converting into fiber like flexible long sticks and could be poised into **beautiful handicrafts, furniture bricks, carry bags, sheets, papers, and many commodities which are also recyclable eco products** creating **sustainable livelihood** for desperate Tribal and Rural populace..

This innovative weed management has resulted in dual benefits such as ***Forest conservation based weed removal action (substituted as) Tribal and rural livelihood development***

The finished eco Products of Lantana are brought to the urban markets for a fair-trade was they have excellent response and huge demand.



Jeeva Karunya trust a small youth NGO with this deprived knowledge has disseminated and trained several youths and women of tribal communities but for the facilitation sustainability of this innovative weed management and livelihood development it is necessary that it should be more furnish and supported. By globalizing this strategy, many countries would be dually benefited as the same above, We JKT are welcoming interested, interested and capable non government

organizations, foundations government sectors, forest departments, art's and craft galleries and institutions wiling to partner, associate, with us



Such partnership, associate, employ or supportive quires with us to make more use of this weed management and tribal livelihood development are requested to send their letter by postal to the mentioned addresses with relevant details

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