

BGO's 2025 Tenure in Trees Program Plants Roots in India

Each year of service at BGO is honored through Tenure in Trees, where a tree is planted to symbolize dedication and foster lasting environmental impact.

In Karnataka's Nagarahole and Bandipur National Parks, this impact is felt in the restoration of critical buffer zones. These once degraded areas are being transformed into agroforestry systems that serve as natural barriers between human settlements and wildlife habitats, thus reducing conflict and supporting biodiversity.

Protecting Wildlife and Strengthening Ecosystems

The restored buffer zones will play a significant role in reducing erosion, improving water retention and enhancing river quality. They will also create vital habitat for tigers, elephants, leopards, and many other species, supporting a rich ecosystem where everything from tiny mammals to apex predators can thrive.



Empowering Communities Through Agroforestry

Local communities, including women and marginalized groups, are directly involved in planting and maintaining these agroforestry systems, creating jobs and strengthening local participation in land management. Diversified crops, such as fruit trees and medicinal plants, provide income, nutrition, and resilience, while the sale of non-timber forest products offers additional earnings. Through training and capacity building, farmers gain the skills to use their land sustainably and safeguard it against climate pressures, from drought to soil erosion.

What trees are we planting in Karnataka?

- mix of native fruit-bearing, medicinal, and timber trees.

#TeamBGO has contributed **2,500** trees to reforestation initiatives in Karnataka. With each tree, we help to revitalize the landscape and communities of India.