

Project Update: October 2022

Awareness and Outreach Programs in Kawasoti, Nawalpur, Nepal

Human-Snake Co-existence and Save The King (King Cobra Conservation) awareness and outreach programs were conducted successfully at 10 sites of Kawasoti, Nawalpur District, Nepal. We have chosen these 10 sites after having informal conversation with locals where our team members used to go for rescue and also after discussing with President of Nepal Toxinology Association (NTA), Dr. Chhabilal Thapa and other team members. We have invited Ward Chairman and other local leaders and conservationists in our programs along with participants. We have shared our knowledge on snakes of Nepal, preventive measures from snakebite and conservation and importance of snakes to biodiversity. We also informed them in detail about our ongoing programs like "Save Snakes Save Nature", "Save The Lives", "Human-Snake Co-existence", "Save The King", "I Speak for Snake Conservation, and You?", "Rescue and Relocation" and upcoming educational videos and requested them to help us to disseminate our messages to more people. The participants have also showed their interest to our above-mentioned programs and willing to help us by sharing the knowledge and experience they gained from our programs to other locals who have missed our programs. We also have conducted questionnaire to know about the people's perceptions towards King Cobra and its conservation. Altogether around 500 people participated in our programs. The participants were from around 5 year's old child to more than 60 years old adults. Female participations were comparatively more than male participations. Children participations were also in a good number. Ward Chairman and other local leaders also talked about importance of their roles in local level to conserve snakes and other wildlife. We have distributed our various educational and promotional materials to all the participants. Our team members were also interviewed by local and national level media. All these programs were conducted under the supervision and guidance of the President of Nepal Toxinology Association (NTA), Dr. Chhabilal Thapa.

Those communities where we have organized and conducted Human-Snake Co-existence and Save The King awareness outreach programs are as follows:

Program 1: Sandh, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 2: Badruwa, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 3: Chilaha, Kawasoti-10, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 4: Amaltari, Kawasoti-15, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 5: Pithauli, Kawasoti-13, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 6: Budaulikuna, Kawasoti-13, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 7: Gairi, Kawasoti-13, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 8: Laugain, Kawasoti-11, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 9: Sandh, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal

Program 10: Danda, Kawasoti-14, Nawalpur, Nepal

Some of the activities of our programs through photos are given below:

Program 1: Sandh, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal



Project Leader Mr. Kamal Devkota talking about this project in detail.



Mr. Kamal Devkota showing snake photos through the laptop directly as requested by locals due to unavailability of electricity in this location.



Our Local Coordinator Mr. Prem Mahato sharing his knowledge.



Mr. Kamal Devkota sharing about human-snake co-existence.



Mr. Kamal Devkota sharing about human-snake co-existence.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program

Program 2: Badruwa, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal



Mr. Kamal Devkota sharing project details on human-snake co-existence.



Our team sharing about our ongoing project on human-snake co-existence



Project Leader Mr. Kamal Devkota and NTA President Dr. Chhabil Thapa



Group photo after successfully conducting the program.

Program 3: Chilaha, Kawasoti-10, Nawalpur, Nepal



Mr. Kamal Devkota sharing about human-snake co-existence.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program.



Project Assistant Mr. Rohit Giri sharing his knowledge on rescue of snakes.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program

Program 5: Pithauli, Kawasoti-13, Nawalpur, Nepal



Mr. Kamal Devkota sharing about venomous and non-venomous snakes.



Project Assistant Mr. Rohit Giri sharing his knowledge on snakes.



Locals looking our educational materials during the program.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program.

Program 6: Budaulikuna, Kawasoti-13, Nawalpur, Nepal



Kamal Devkota sharing snakebite case study and recommended first-aid.



Dr. Chhabil Thapa sharing his life-long experiences about snakebite.

Program 7: Gairi, Kawasoti-13, Nawalpur, Nepal



Participants enjoying sunny day attending our program.



Mr. Prem Mahato talking about professional snake rescue and relocation.

Program 8: Laugain, Kawasoti-11, Nawalpur, Nepal



Children participation in the program and reading brochure and poster.



Women participation in the program who is carefully looking the poster.



Our team members distributing educational materials to all the participants.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program.

Program 9: Sandh, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal



Our Local Coordinator Mr. Prem Mahato sharing his knowledge on snakes.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program.

Program 10: Danda, Kawasoti-14, Nawalpur, Nepal



Distribution of our "Save Snakes Save Nature" brochure to participants.



Group photo after successfully conducting the program.

Beside these programs, our local coordinator for Nawalpur district Mr. Prem Mahato has also presented about our ongoing works in these following (mentioned below) communities in the awareness programs organized by Community Based Anti-Poaching Unit (CBAPU), Kawasoti, Nawalpur. These programs were held both in the schools and in communities. Mr. Mahato has also distributed our various brochures and posters to the participants.

- Program 1: Shree Janata H. S. School, Magarkot, Kawasoti-10, Nawalpur,
- Program 2: Shree Shanti Nikunja H. S. School, Pithauli, Kawasoti-12, Nawalpur,
- Program 3: Laugain, Kawasoti-11, Nawalpur, Nepal
- Program 4: Badruwa, Kawasoti-7, Nawalpur, Nepal







