



About Wildlife Conservation Trust

Using the Tiger as a metaphor for all of nature, Wildlife Conservation Trust (WCT) was envisioned to preserve and protect India's rich natural heritage. Currently, WCT works in and around 160 Protected Areas across 23 states in the country covering 82% of India's 50 tiger reserves, 21% of the 769 Protected Areas and impacting a population base of approximately 3.5 million people. WCT aims to reduce anthropogenic pressure on forests and river systems through a robust and tested 360 degree approach involving the forest department, local communities, corporates and other NGOs, with a firm belief in landscape-level conservation, factoring in the needs of people dependent on these forests.

Leadership

Trustees:

Mr. Hemendra Kothari, Chairman, DSP BlackRock Investment Managers Pvt. Ltd., Founder and Advisory Board Member, DSP Merrill Lynch Limited; Founder, Chairman and Trustee, Hemendra Kothari Foundation; Advisory Council member, Global Tiger Forum; Member, National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA).

Mr. Bittu Sahgal, Founder and Editor, Sanctuary Asia Magazine; leading conservationist; Founder, Kids for Tigers, a nation-wide conservation education programme.

Ms. Aditi Kothari, Executive Vice President, DSP BlackRock Investment Managers Pvt. Limited; Member of the Advisory Board of Dasra and DSP BlackRock CSR committee.

Ms. Shuchi Kothari, Bachelor of Science in Economics from the Wharton Business School; MBA from the Harvard Business School; director of Health & Glow Retailing Pvt. Ltd. as well as Foodworld Supermarkets Pvt. Ltd.

Advisory Board Members:

Mr. S. Ramadorai, Former Chairman, NSDA and NSDC; Chairperson-Governing Board, TISS; Chairman, IIT-Guwahati; Former CEO and MD, TCS (1996 to 2009); Fellow, Indian National Academy of Engineering; Fellow, IEEE; Member, National Council, CII.

Mr. Anshu Jain, Former Co-CEO, Deutsche Bank; Honorary Fellow, London Business School (2014); Honorary Doctorate, TERI University (2014); Economic Times Global Indian (2012) and Risk Magazine Lifetime Achievement Awardee (2010).

Dr. Thomas S. Kaplan, Chairman and Chief Investment Officer, Electrum Group LLC; Executive Chariman, Panthera Corporation; Member, Order of the Légion d'Honneur of France (2014).

Mr. Prashant Trivedi, CIO, Multi-Act Family Office; Chairman, Indian Card Clothing Co. Ltd.; Founder and Chairman, Multi-Act Trade & Investments (Pvt.) Ltd.; Director, Great Plains Holdings (Kenya) Ltd.

Ms. Naina Lal Kidwai, Chairman, Max Financial Services; serves on the Board of Nestle SA; Non-executive Director, CIPLA Ltd.; Chair, FICCI's Sustainability Council and Water Mission and Chair, India Sanitation Coalition.

Mr. Dereck Joubert, Award-winning filmmaker; National Geographic Explorer-in-Residence; Founder of the National Geographic Big Cats Initiative and a wildlife conservationist; recipient of 2008 World Ecology Award; recipient of Presidential Order of Merit in Botswana.

Mr. Amit Chandra, Managing Director, Bain Capital; World Economic Forum Young Global Leader (2007); Asia's Heroes of Philanthropy (2016); on the Board of Directors of Tata Sons Limited, Genpact, L&T Finance; Trustee of the Tata Trusts, Founder of Ashoka University.

Mr. Alok Kshirsagar, Senior Partner, McKinsey & Company; Honorary President, National Association for the Blind; on the Board of PRS Legislative Research; Member, Next Gen Leaders Board of the Indian School of Business; World Economic Forum Young Global Leader (2012).

President:

Dr. Anish Andheria, Large carnivore biologist; Carl Zeiss Conservation Awardee (2008); Member of the State Boards of Wildlife of Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra; on the First State Expert Appraisal Committee, Maharashtra. Distinguished Alumnus of Institute of Chemical Technology (2017).

Profiles of key individuals:

Hemendra Kothari, Trustee, Wildlife Conservation Trust

Founder, Chairman and Trustee of the Hemendra Kothari Foundation and the Wildlife Conservation Trust, he represents the fourth generation of a family of prominent stockbrokers. Former President of the Bombay Stock Exchange, Kothari founded DSP Financial Consultants Limited which later became DSP Merrill Lynch Ltd. He served as its Chairman till 2009 and is currently the Chairman of DSP BlackRock Investment Managers Pvt. Ltd. A board member of several industrial companies, Hemendra Kothari is associated with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). He is a member of the Rajasthan State Board for Wildlife, a statutory board chaired by the Chief Minister of the state; a member of the Advisory Board of the Global Tiger Forum (GTF), a member of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) Governing Council and a member of the Advisory Board of the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA).

Bittu Sahgal, Trustee, Wildlife Conservation Trust

Founder-Editor of Sanctuary Asia, India's first wildlife magazine, Bittu Sahgal has produced over 30 wildlife documentaries which have aired in India's national television network. His columns on

environment and development feature in a number of English and regional language publications in India and overseas. Bittu is involved with several global conservation campaigns and is an active member on a range of government and non-government organization boards and committees. His key involvements focus around campaigns to save tigers and to highlight the connection between human rights, biodiversity conservation, deforestation, ecosystem values and climate change.

Aditi Kothari, Trustee, Wildlife Conservation Trust

Aditi Kothari Desai is the head of Sales and Marketing at DSP BlackRock Investment Managers Pvt Ltd. An Executive Vice President, she is also a member of the Executive Committee. She joined Merrill Lynch's investment banking group in New York in 1998, primarily working on M&A activities in the Financial Institutions Group. Subsequently Aditi worked in DSP Merrill Lynch as part of the fixed income sales team and later joined DSP BlackRock in 2002 (then DSP Merrill Lynch Fund Managers), working on various initiatives, including establishing an offshore fund for foreign investors.

Aditi is actively involved in social initiatives. She is a member on the Advisory Board of Dasra, India's leading strategic philanthropy foundation and also a trustee of the Hemendra Kothari Foundation and Wildlife Conservation Trust, actively involved with their educational initiatives in both urban and rural areas, as well as initiatives on saving India's forests and wildlife.

Aditi holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and an MBA from Harvard Business School

Shuchi Kothari, Trustee, Wildlife Conservation Trust

Shuchi, a passionate wildlife enthusiast and an avid wildlife photographer has been visiting wildlife parks across India and Africa with her family since she was five years old. She is a director of Health & Glow Retailing Pvt. Ltd., a beauty retail chain with 119 stores across India, and Foodworld Supermarkets Pvt. Ltd., a grocery chain with 35 stores across Bengaluru. She represents Epic Foundation; a US based social organization supporting children and youth globally, in India. Shuchi is also a trustee of the Hemendra Kothari Foundation (HKF). She has a Bachelor of Science in Economics (BSE) from the Wharton Business School at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia, USA and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from the Harvard Business School in Boston, MA.

Anish Andheria, President, Wildlife Conservation Trust

A Carl Zeiss Conservation Awardee, Dr. Anish. P. Andheria is a fellow of LEAD and the President of the Wildlife Conservation Trust. Upon completing his Doctorate from the Institute of Chemical Technology, Anish went on to pursue his passion with a Master's Degree in Wildlife Biology and Conservation from the National Centre for Biological Sciences, Bangalore. He is a large carnivore biologist with field expertise in predator-prey relationships. A wildlife photographer of repute, Anish has photographed some of the remotest wildlife reserves in India. He has co-authored two books on Indian wildlife and contributed to several other national and international publications. Anish has played a pivotal role in setting up the renowned Kids For Tigers initiative, a nationwide conservation education programme that has reached out to millions of school children across India. He is a member of the steering committee of both Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh State Boards

of Wildlife and the Madhya Pradesh State Tiger Conservation Foundation Society. Anish is also a trustee of the Climate Reality Project, India and the Conservation Wildlands Trust.