

**NISARGAKAVI  
BAHINABAI  
CHAUDHARY  
PRANISANGRAHALAYA**

**PIMPRI CHINCHWAD MUNICIPAL  
CORPORATION**

**SAMBHAJI NAGAR, CHINCHWAD, PUNE –411 019.**

**MAHARASHTRA, INDIA**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010**

**BY**

**ANIL KHAIRE, DIRECTOR.**

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**10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2010**

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## FOREWORD

We have a great pleasure to bring about this annual report for the year 2009-2010. Our dedicated colleagues in Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation have been working hard to develop this facility for the benefit of public and animals as well. We are deeply indebted to all of them. We express our gratitude to the following officials and dignitaries of the Pimpri-Chinchwad Municipal Corporation, without whose help this zoo would never have taken shape.

Sh. Yogesh Bahal, Mayor, PCMC.

Sh. Asheesh Sharma, *I.A.S.*, Commissioner.

Sh. Subhash Dumbare, Additional Commissioner.

Mrs. Mangala Kadam, Hon. Corporator.

We are also thankful to the Central Zoo Authority, Zoological Survey of India, Zoo Outreach Organization, Department of Animal Husbandry (Govt. of Maharashtra) and the State Forest Department, for regular co-operation, help, guidance, assistance and encouragement rendered by them.

Dr. Satish Gore,

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## INTRODUCTION

Bahinabai Choudhary Pranisangrahalay, previously known as Snake Park & Aviary, is a Small Zoo established by Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation recognized by the Central Zoo Authority. It was officially declared open to public on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan.1990. This zoo has witnessed continuous visitorship since then.

## LOCATION

A total 7.5-Acre land has been earmarked for this project. It caters for the Twin City of Pimpri-Chinchwad and surrounding areas, developed mainly due to rapid urbanization and industrial growth. This township is extended towards north of Pune City along the National Highway No.4, joining Pune and Mumbai. The captive population of this city is around 10 Lakh, with the daily floating population of around 1 Lakh. This zoo is the only animal facility in the area. It is situated towards 4 km. East from Akurdi town, 5 km. Northeast from Chinchwad railway station, 7 km. West from Bhosari and 6 km north of Pimpri.

## VISITORS

The zoo remains closed for visitors on every Tuesday. It is open to the public from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. It is extended during summer vacation from 10:30 am to 7.00 pm.

Entry Fee      Adults :      Rs.2 : 00 ( Two Rupees).  
                         Children :      Re.1 : 00 (One Rupee).

## VISITORSHIP

Year	Adults	Children	Total
2007 - 2008	1,45,692	52,909	1,98,601
2008 - 2009	1,82,221	64,059	2,46,280
2009- 2010	1,42,795	79,285	2,22,080

### Income during last three years:

2007 – 2008      Rs. 3,44,293/-  
2008 – 2009      Rs. 4,28,501/-  
2009 – 2010      Rs. 3,64,875/-

## **AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF THE ZOO**

1. To educate the students and visitors about importance of wildlife and emphasize the need for conservation of nature and natural resources.
2. To rescue the snakes, birds and sometimes other animals that enter into human habitation and release them back in the wild.
3. To undertake breeding programmes of different snake species and release the offspring back into the declining population areas.
4. To organize guided tours for school children and provide necessary information lectures, demonstrations, slide shows and related printed material.
5. To disseminate the current information on Biodiversity amongst the general public.

## **HEALTH, HYGIENE AND SAFETY MEASURES**

- Food and drinking water is examined daily.
- De-worming and vaccination is done quarterly.
- De-beaking and nail cutting of birds is being undertaken every two months.
- Perching is being repaired regularly.
- Animal waste is recycled to produce compost.
- Lawns, flowering beds etc. are grown on bio-compost instead of chemicals.
- *Cage Resting* and dis-infection is done as per requirement.
- Exhibit furnishings are modified annually and/or changed whenever necessary.
- Heat convectors, Air coolers, Humidifiers and Air conditioners are used during climatic extremities.
- Volunteers and staff control the vandalism.

## **SALIENT FEATURES (2009-2010)**

Raja, the oldest panther died on 19 July 2009 due to old age. He was the first captive panther in the city.

## **EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES**

A special lecture on *Management of Birds in Captivity* was delivered to the participants of the Ornithology Course, jointly organized by Abasaheb Garware College and Ila Foundation, Pune.

The lecture delivered to newly joined security guards in the PCMC about the wildlife in PCMC and how to tackle the problem regarding the wildlife.

On the occasion of 'Industrial Safety Week' the lecture delivered in Mercedes Benz regarding 'Introductions of Snakes and Safety against snake bite'

## **CELEBRATIONS**

Nagapanchami Mahotsav was celebrated on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2009. Different competitions were organized for ladies like Traditional cooking, Foogadi, Mehendi, Traditional Dress ups and Speech Competition, etc. The competition was lead by Ex. Mayor and Corporator Mrs. Mangala Kadam. Mrs. Aparna Doke Hon. Mayor was the Chief Guest.

## **MASTERPLAN TWETY-TWENTY**

Masterplan Committee has been formed to prepare a long term Masterplan of the Zoo. The team consists of the following members.

Mr. Subhash Dumbare	Addl. Commissioner	Chairman
Mr. Anil Khaire	Zoo Director	Member Secretary
Mrs. Mangala Kadam	Corporator	Member
Mr. Suresh Salunke	Chief Garden Supdt.	Member
Dr. Satish Gore	Veterinary Officer	Member
Mr. Y.L.P.Rao	Conservator (Wildlife)	Member
Dr. Anil Mahabal	Joint Director (ZSI)	Member
Dr. Rajendra Jagdale	Director General (STP)	Member
Mr. Bipul Chakrabarti	Wildlife Biologist	Member
Mr. Pankaj Jain	Ecological Planner	Member
Dr. M.S. Pradhan	Senior Zoologist	Member
Mr. Neelimkumar Khaire	NGO	Member

The final theme on Reptiles, Amphibians and Butterflies has been prepared and is approved by the CZA.

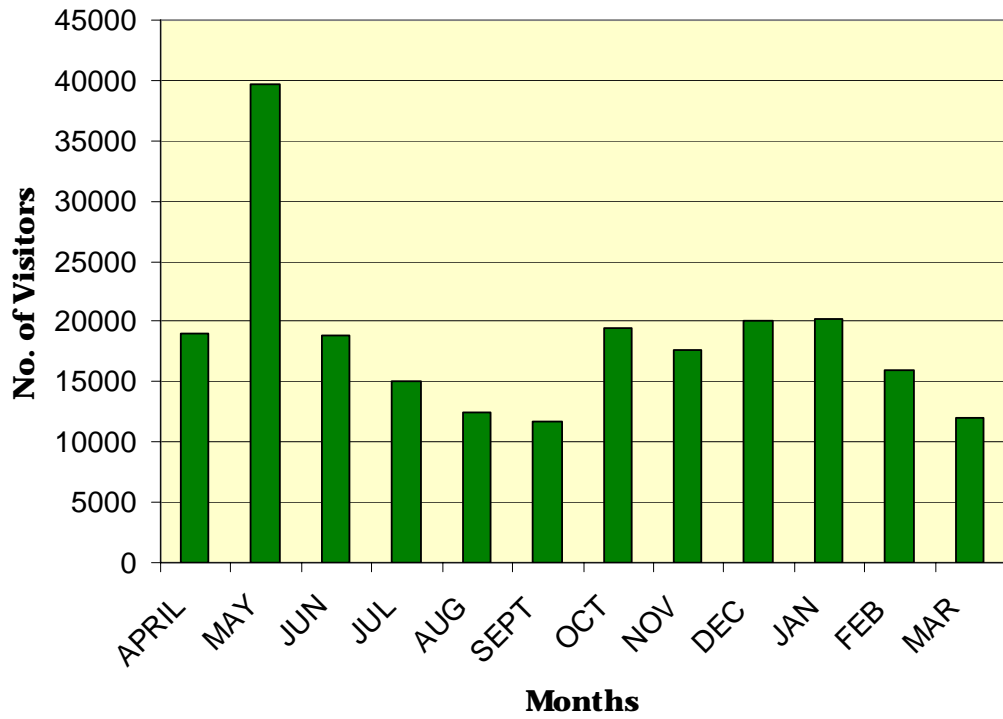
## **BIODIVERSITY STATUS OF PIMPRI CHINCHWAD**

Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation had decided to the study the overall status of the biodiversity of this area. Accordingly, a team of experts and eminent scientists were appointed by the Science & Technology Park, University of Pune to undertake areawise surveys in the city and observe the various elements in different habitats such as riverine system, Hillocks, Grasslands, Plantations and Gardens. Zoo director was working as principle coordinator for this project. Final report has been published.

## **TRAINING**

Zoo Keeper Training Programme on Reptile Management was organized by CZA at Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park & Wildlife Research Centre between 1 November to 14 November; 2009. Mr. Anil Raut & Mr. Vilas Mohal had attended the same.

## Zoo Visitorship



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**INVENTORY JANUARY 2009 – MARCH 2010**

**[A] BIRDS**

S.No.	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	M	F	U	TOTAL
1	Budgerigar	<i>Melopsittacus undulates</i>	7	7	4	18
2	Cockatiel	<i>Nymphicus hollandicus</i>	5	5	2	12
3	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	5	6	4	15
4	Roseringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	2	3	0	5
5	Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>	1	0	0	1
6	White Eyed Buzzard	<i>Butaster teesa</i>	0	1	0	1
7	Spotbill Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>	2	2	0	4
8	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>	0	0	2	2
9	Lesser Whistling Teal	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	0	0	0	0
10	Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	1	1	2	4
11	Pariha Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	0	0	6	6
		<b>Total</b>	23	25	20	68

**[B] MAMMALS**

Sr. No.	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	M	F	U	TOTAL
1	Panther	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	1	2	0	3
2	Bonnet Macaque	<i>Macaca radiata</i>	2	4	0	6
3	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulata</i>	2	1	0	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	5	7	0	12

**[C] REPTILES**

Sr. No.	COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	M	F	U	TOTAL
1	Soft shelled turtle	<i>Lyssemys punctata</i>	0	0	10	10
2	Common Cobra	<i>Naja n. naja</i>	2	2	1	5
3	Russell's Viper	<i>Vipera russelli</i>	2	2	1	5
4	Common Krait	<i>Bungarus caeruleus</i>	1	1	0	2
5	Wall's Sind Krait	<i>Bungarus sindanus, walli</i>	0	2	0	2
6	Indian Python	<i>Python molurus</i>	1	1	0	2
7	Dhaman	<i>Ptyas mucosus</i>	2	3	4	9

8	Checkered Keelback	<i>Xenochrophis piscator</i>	3	3	0	6
9	Trinket	<i>Elaphe helena</i>	1	2	0	3
10	Sand Boa	<i>Eryx conicus</i>	1	2	1	4
11	Earth Boa	<i>Eryx johni</i>	1	1	0	2
12	Racer	<i>Argerogena fasciolatus</i>	1	1	0	2
13	Wolf Snake	<i>Lycodon aulicus</i>	1	1	0	2
14	Grass Snake	<i>Macropisthodon plumbicolor</i>	1	1	0	2
15	Starred Tortoise	<i>Geochelone elegans</i>	3	4	0	7
16	Marsh Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	1	1	1	3
		<i>Total</i>	21	28	18	66

### SUMMARY OF DEATH REPORT

Sr. No.	Name of the Species	Scientific Name	Sex	Date of Death	Reason
1.	<b>Indian Peafowl</b>	<b><i>Pavo cristatus</i></b>	Female	23/12/09	Emaciation
2.	<b>Panther</b>	<b><i>Panthera pardus</i></b>	Male	19/07/09	Selinity
3.	<b>White Eyed Buzzard</b>	<b><i>Butaster teesa</i></b>	Male	27/04/09	Acute Enteritis

No. of Species	Stock Position on the close of the preceding year	Births	Acquisition	Death	Disposal	Stock as on the close of the current year
Mammals	15	00	07	01	09	12
Birds	72	00	12	02	14	68
Reptiles	56	00	51	00	41	66
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>00</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>146</b>



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No. Zoo/2/ ws /49 / 2010  
Date :10<sup>th</sup> May April 2008.

To,  
The Member Secretary,  
Central Zoo Authority,  
Ministry of Environment & Forests,  
Bikaner House, Annex VI,  
Shahjahan Road,  
NEW DELHI – 110 011.

**Sub:** Annual Report & Inventory.

Respected Sir,

Please find an enclosed Annual Report, Inventory and the Summary of Death during 2009-2010.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Anil Khaire  
(Director)