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NISARGA ANUBHAVA PROGRAM – 2026

The Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve (TATR) administration is pleased to invite nature enthusiasts to the "Nisarga Anubhava - 2026" to be held on the night of **May 1, 2026**, coinciding with **Buddha Purnima**. This program offers a rare opportunity for citizens to participate in wildlife observation from waterhole machans.

I. REGISTRATION & SELECTION PROCESS :

1. **Application Mode:** Each participant must apply **google form** individually via the official website: **mytadoba.mahaforest.gov.in**.
2. **Age Limit:** Applicants must be between **18 and 50 years** of age.
3. **Registration Window:** Online registration will be available via **Google Form** from **April 25, 2026, at Afternoon 12:00 PM** until **April 25, 2026, at Afternoon 4:00 PM**.
4. **Available Capacity:** A total of 57 machans have been designated for participants within the Buffer Area, with a **maximum of 2 persons allowed per machan**.
5. **Selection Criteria:** Allocation of machans is strictly on a **First-Come, First-Served** basis per respective forest zone.
6. **Final Authority:** The Field Director, Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve the right to select participants and allocate machans. All decisions are final and binding.
7. **Confirmation:** Machan allocation will be subject to availability and may be assigned at a gate other than the one selected. Final confirmation will be provided to the selected candidates via telephone only after successful verification of the payment and documents. The decision of the Field Director, Tadoba, shall be final.

II. FEE STRUCTURE (PER MACHAN) :

The total cost for the experience is **₹3,500** for a maximum of 2 persons.

Payment Component	Amount	Mode of Payment
Booking/Machan Charges	₹500	Online at the time of booking (Non-refundable)
Guide Charges	₹1,000	On-the-spot at the Safari Gate
Gypsy Charges	₹2,000	On-the-spot at the Safari Gate
Total	₹3,500	—

- The Machan census may be postponed or cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, for which TATR will not be responsible.
- Once a machan is booked, no cancellation will be permitted.
- Additionally, no changes will be allowed in the names of the individuals mentioned in the entry permit after booking.

III. LOGISTICS & ESSENTIALS :

- **Event Schedule:** Participants must report to their assigned Safari Gate by **16:00 (4:00 PM) on May 1, 2026**, for an overnight stay, with the session concluding at **06:00 AM on May 2, 2026**.
- **Transport:** Private vehicles are prohibited. TATR Gypsies will provide transit to and from the machan.

- **Meals:** Participants are responsible for their own catering arrangements. Kindly carry a packed dinner. We request you to maintain a strictly vegetarian menu.
- **"What to Carry:** Participants must bring their own **bedding (sheets/satranji)** and water.
- **Plastic Ban:** One-time-use plastic bottles, bags, and containers are **strictly forbidden** inside the reserve.

IV. CODE OF CONDUCT & SAFETY :

- **Indemnity:** A signed **Indemnity Bond** is mandatory; participants engage at their own risk.
- **Prohibitions:** Smoking and alcohol consumption are strictly prohibited. Violators will face a **₹5,000 penalty** and immediate eviction.
- **Visibility:** Use of Camera, torches, searchlights, or flashes is forbidden to avoid disturbing wildlife.
- **Safety:** Participants must remain on the machan at all times. Venturing onto the ground is strictly prohibited.
- **Health:** Participants guarantee they are physically fit and have no underlying health conditions that would hinder this wilderness activity.

Do's & Don'ts :

- Participants must strictly abide by all rules and regulations of TATR.
- Ensure to reach the designated location at the specified time. Late reporting participants will not be permitted to participate.
- Participants are advised to carry a bed sheet for personal comfort and a raincoat during the rainy season.
- Avoid use of plastic carry bags. Use eco-friendly bags for carrying your belongings.
- Carry basic personal medicines, as medical facilities in forest areas are limited.
- Use of any type of camera/photography equipment is strictly prohibited during the activity.
- Wear dull-coloured or camouflage clothes. Bright-coloured clothing should be avoided.
- Carry a reusable water bottle. Single-use plastic bottles are not allowed.
- Smoking, chewing tobacco products, and consumption of alcohol are strictly prohibited in the forest area.
- Always follow instructions given by forest officials or accompanying experts.
- Allotted machan should not be left during the observation period.
- Any forest produce or material should not be collected or removed.
- Maintain a safe distance from wildlife at all times.
- Avoid using perfumes, deodorants, or any scented products that may disturb wildlife.
- Do not use searchlights, flashlights (except permitted), or sound systems while on the machan.
- Strictly adhere to the prescribed time schedule and return to the base camp at the designated time.
- TATR and organizers shall not be held responsible for any accidents or mishaps during the Machan census.
- Any violation of rules, regulations, or prescribed protocols of Nisarga Anubhava 2026 will invite necessary action by TATR authorities.

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