



**Project Title** - Community-based ecological restoration of degraded forests for sustainable livelihood development in the biodiversity hotspot of the Western Ghats in India.

**Private German Sponsor** – Global Nature fund (GNF)

**Project Duration** - 01.07.2022 - 30.04.2025

**Project Locations-**

Village- Jambhali, Dist- Satara, State- Maharashtra

Village- Dolvi & Karaw, Dist- Raigad, State- Maharashtra

Village- Dandeli, Dist- Uttara kannada, State- Karnataka.

**Overall Project Objective-**

The programme contributes to the restoration and conservation of the species-rich forests of the Northern Western Ghats as a carbon sink, water reservoir and source of biodiversity, as well as a livelihood for the local *scheduled tribes* (SDG 13 and 15).

**Project Goal-**

**400** families from 7 villages in the northern Western Ghats achieve an improved income from the sustainable use and reforestation of 70 hectares of forest area, thus creating the basis for the permanent preservation of a species-rich forest.