

## Red Earth Kabini, Nagarhole Extending an Arm of Support Locally and More Widely



Mobile clinic supported by Red Earth through local NGO, the Nilgiris Wynaad Tribal Society.

Red Earth has adopted its five surrounding villages bringing benefits through support for community welfare in addition to local employment and procurement. The lodge provides financial support for a twelve-bed hospital and a mobile clinic for tribes who have no access to medical care through local NGO, Nilgiris Wynaad Tribal Welfare Society (NWTWS). Medical camps are also conducted regularly in partnership with Swami Vivekananda Youth movement.



Bringing medical support out into the community.

Stationery, umbrellas, and school bags are regularly supplied to the children of Badannekuppe and Hosmalla village. Lodge staff teach Hindi at the local schools and at the request of the community, the lodge also employs two English teachers to assist the government school. Support for a residential school for 200 tribal children run by NWTWS is also provided. Forest visits and briefings by lodge naturalists are helping to make these children future custodians of the forest.

The lodge is also extending its support to training young students in sustainable tourism from across India. It has worked with the Government Ayurveda College in Mysore conducting de-addiction camps with over 1,000 medicinal plant saplings planted. Guests are encouraged to support local causes and get involved in volunteering at NWTWS.



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