

For XAT, CMAT, SNAP, MAT, IIFT Exam

NATIONAL PARK, BIRD SANCTUARY/ TIGER RESERVES/RAMASAR SITES/ BIOSPHERE RESERVE OF INDIA

- ❑ Jim Corbett National Park is India's first national park, which was established in Uttarakhand in 1936 AD. Earlier its name was Hailey National Park. In 1957, it was renamed as Corbett National Park, in the memory of Jim Corbett, the great naturalist. Ramganga and Sonanadi are the major rivers flowing through this national park.
- ❑ Madhya Pradesh has the highest number of national parks in India. It has 12 national parks out of which 6 have been declared as Tiger Reserves.
- ❑ Andaman and Nicobar Islands have 9 National Parks and 96 Wildlife Sanctuaries (maximum in any state).
- ❑ There are a total of 106 National Parks in India. There is not even a single national park in Punjab, India. While the total number of wildlife sanctuaries in India is 565. Also, there are 18 Biosphere Reserves and 54 Tiger Reserves in India.
- ❑ India's largest national park Hemis National Park is located in Ladakh, which is world famous for snow leopards.
- ❑ Nagarjunasagar - Srisailem Tiger Reserve (Andhra Pradesh) is the largest tiger reserve in India.
- ❑ The smallest tiger reserve is Bor Tiger Reserve (Maharashtra).
- ❑ Dudhwa National Park (Uttar Pradesh) shares the international border with Nepal. It was given the status of a national park in 1977.
- ❑ The Manas Sanctuary (Assam) National Park, included in the UNESCO World Heritage List, is also the famous Tiger and Elephant Reserve of the country. The name 'Manas' derived from the river flowing from the west of Manas Garden. Apart from the one-horned rhinoceros, many other rare animals are also found here.
- ❑ India's smallest national park 'South Button' Island National Park is located in Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
- ❑ The combined area of Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla of Chhattisgarh has

been declared as the 53rd Tiger Reserve.

LIST OF MAJOR WILDLIFE SANCTUARIES AND NATIONAL PARKS OF INDIA

National Park/sanctuary	State	Major wildlife species
Jim Corbett National Park	Uttarakhand	Elephant, Tiger, Cheetah, Deer, Bear, Nilgai, Sambar, Wild Boar
Rajaji National Park	Uttarakhand	Elephants, Deer, Leopards, Sambar and Peacocks
Dudhwa National Park	Uttar Pradesh	Elephant, Tiger, Cheetah, Deer, Nilgai, Leopard
Chandra-Prabha Sanctuary	Uttar Pradesh	Cheetah, Bear, Nilgai, Leopard, Sambhar
Nal Sarovar Sanctuary	Gujarat	Water Birds
Gir National Park	Gujarat	Lion, Sambar, Leopard, Wild Boar
Someshwara Sanctuary	Karnataka	Cheetah, Wild dog, Deer, Leopard, Sambhar
Bandipur National Park	Karnataka	Elephant, Cheetah, Leopard, Deer, Chital, Sambar,
Tungabhadra Sanctuary	Karnataka	Leopard, Chital, Black Buck Bird, Four horned antelope
Bhadra Sanctuary	Karnataka	Bear, Elephant, Sambar, Leopard, Deer
Kawal Wildlife Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh	Cheetah, Leopard, Sambar, Bear, Wild Boar, Chital
Pakhal Wildlife Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh	Cheetah, Leopard, Sambar, Bear, Wild Boar

Kaziranga National Park	Assam	One horned rhinoceros, Wild Boar, Buffalo, Cheetah
Manas National Park	Assam	Elephant, Cheetah, Bear, One-horned rhinoceros, Langur, Deer
Tansa Sanctuary	Maha-rashtra	Leopard, Sambhar, Four horned antelope, Wild Boar, Chital, Birds
Borivali National Park	Maha-rashtra	Langur, Deer, Sambar, Panther, Wild Boar
Kumbhalgarh Sanctuary	Rajasthan	Cheetah, Nilgai, Sambar, Bear
Ghana Bird Sanctuary	Rajasthan	Sambhar, Black Buck, Wild Boar, Cock, Gharial, Siberian Crane.
Ranthambore Sanctuary	Rajasthan	Cheetah, Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Hyena, Bear, Nilgai, Sambar
Abohar Sanctuary	Punjab	Wild Boar, Deer, Nilgai, Black Swan, Pigeon
Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary	Jharkhand	Elephant, Deer, Leopard, Bear, Wild Boar
Hazaribagh Wildlife Sanctuary	Jharkhand	Cheetah, Bear, Leopard, Chital, Sambar, Wild Boar
Palamu Sanctuary	Jharkhand	Elephant, Cheetah, Leopard, Sambar, Deer, Wild Boar
Chilka Sanctuary	Odisha	Crane, Cormorant, Pelican, Migratory Bird
Simlipal Sanctuary	Odisha	Elephant, Tiger, Cheetah, Leopard, Sambar, Deer, Crocodile, Aquatic bird
Mudumalai Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu	Elephant, Cheetah, Leopard, Sambar, Deer, Wild dog
Vedanthagal Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu	Water Bird

Indira Gandhi Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu	Elephant, Tiger, Chital, Panther, Sambar, Sloth Bear, Wild Dog, Langur
Dampa Sanctuary	Mizoram	Cobra, Cheetah, Cat, Pheasant
Pench National Park	Madhya Pradesh	Cheetah, Nilgai, Sambar, Bear, Wild Boar
Kanha National Park	Madhya Pradesh	Tiger, Chital, Leopard, Sambar, Barasingha (Swamp Deer)
Bandhavgarh National Park	Madhya Pradesh	Tiger, Leopard, Sambar, Bear, Chakor
Panchmarhi Sanctuary	Madhya Pradesh	Tiger, Leopard, Sambar, Nilgai, Chital, Deer, Bear, Wild Buffalo.
Periyar Sanctuary	Kerala	Cheetah, Elephant, Leopard, Sambar, Deer, Bear, Nilgai, Wild Boar
Parambikulam Sanctuary	Kerala	Cheetah, Elephant, Leopard, Sambar, Deer, Nilgai, Wild Boar
Dachigam National Park	Jammu and Kashmir	Panther, Black Bear, Red Bear, Deer,
Kishtwar National Park	Jammu and Kashmir	Blackbuck, Wild Yak, Tibetan Donkey
Rajiv Gandhi Sanctuary (Nagarhole National Park)	Karnataka	Cheetah, Elephant, Leopard, Sambar, Bear, Chakor, Pheasant,
Pakhui Wildlife Sanctuary	Arunachal Pradesh	Elephant, Python, Deer, Sambar
Sultanpur Lake Sanctuary	Haryana	Various Water Birds
Rohilla National Park	Himachal Pradesh	Musk Deer, Brown Bear, Mountain Rooster, Mountain Leopard
Bhagwan Mahavir park	Goa	Deer, Rat, Porcupine, Sambar
Nongkhyllem Sanctuary	Meghalaya	Elephant, Cheetah, Tiger, Deer, Sambar, Bear

Keibul Lamjao National Park	Manipur	Deer, Wild Goat, Various Birds
Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary	Bihar	Tiger, Nilgai, Gharial, Sambhar, Wild Boar
Orang Tiger Reserve	Assam	Tiger
Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary	Arunachal Pradesh	Tiger
Sundarbans National Park	West Bengal	Tiger, Cheetah, Deer, Crocodile

LIST OF NATIONAL PARKS IN INDIA

National Park	State	Year of Creation	Area (in sq km)
Kanha National Park	Madhya Pradesh	NP-1955	941.8
Madhav National Park	Madhya Pradesh	NP- 1958	375.2
Bandhav-garh National Park	Madhya Pradesh	NP- 1968	448.8
Fossil National Park	Madhya Pradesh	NP- 1983	0.27
Pench National Park	Madhya Pradesh	NP- 1975	292.8
Van Vihar National Park	Madhya Pradesh	NP- 1979	4.45
Panna National Park	Madhya Pradesh	1981	542.67
Satpura National Park	Madhya Pradesh	1981	528.73
Sanjay National Park	Madhya Pradesh	1981	464.6
Omkareshwar National Park	Madhya Pradesh	2004	293
Dinosaur Fossil Park	Madhya Pradesh	2011	0.89
Kuno National Park	Madhya Pradesh	2018	748.7
Chandoli National Park	Maharashtra	2004	317.67
Gugamal National Park	Maharashtra	1975	361.28
Sanjay Gandhi National Park	Maharashtra	1983	86.96
Tadoba National Park	Maharashtra	1955	116.55
Pench National Park	Maharashtra	1975	257.26
Note: Pench (Jawahar Lal Nehru) National Park.			

Navegaon National Park	Maharashtra	1975	133.88
Bannerghatta national park	Karnataka	1974	260.51
Bandipur National Park	Karnataka	1974	872.24
Nagarahole (Rajiv Gandhi) National Park	Karnataka	1988	643.39
Kudremukh National Park	Karnataka	1987	600.52
Anshi National Park	Karnataka	1987	417.7
Periyar National Park	Kerala	1982	350
Anamudi Shola National Park	Kerala	2003	7.5
Silent Valley National Park	Kerala	1984	89.52
Pampadum Shola National Park	Kerala	2003	1.32
Eravikulam National Park	Kerala	1978	97
Mathikettan Shola National Park	Kerala	2003	12.82
Mudumalai National Park	Tamil Nadu	1990	103.24
Gulf of Mannar National Park	Tamil Nadu	1980	560.02
Sculpture National Park	Tamil Nadu	1990	78.46
Indira Gandhi (Annamalai) National Park	Tamil Nadu	1989	117
Guindy National Park	Tamil Nadu	1976	2.7
Jim Corbett National Park	Uttarakhand	1936	520.8
Nanda Devi National Park	Uttarakhand	1982	624.6
Rajaji National Park	Uttarakhand	1983	820
Gangotri National Park	Uttarakhand	1989	2390
Govind Pashu Vihar National Park	Uttarakhand	1990	427.08
Flower Valley National Park	Uttarakhand	1982	87.5
Sundarbans National Park	West Bengal	1984	1330

Buxa National Park	West Bengal	1992	117
Jaldapara National Park	West Bengal	2014	216.3
Singalila National Park	West Bengal	1986	78.6
Neora Valley National Park	West Bengal	1986	159.9
Gorumara National Park	West Bengal	1992	79.4
Ranthambore National Park	Rajasthan	1980	282
Mukundara National Park	Rajasthan	2006	200.5
Keoladeo National Park	Rajasthan	1981	28.73
Thar National Park	Rajasthan	1992	3162
Sariska National Park	Rajasthan	1992	273.8
Balpakram National Park	Meghalaya	1986	220
Nokrek National Park	Meghalaya	1997	47.48
Kaziranga National Park	Assam	1974	889.51
Manas National Park	Assam	1990	500
Orang National Park	Assam	1999	78.81
Dibru-Saikhowa National Park	Assam	1999	340
Nameri National Park	Assam	1998	200
Raimona National Park	Assam	2021	422
Dehing Patkai National Park	Assam	2021	234.26
Clouded leopard National Park	Tripura	2007	5.08
Rajiv Gandhi National Park	Andhra Pradesh	2005	2.39
Papikonda National Park	Andhra Pradesh	2008	1012.8
Sri Venkateswara National Park	Andhra Pradesh	1989	353.6
Betla National Park	Jharkhand	1986	226.33
Vansda National Park	Gujarat	1979	23.99

Marine National Park	Gujarat	1982	162.89
Gir Forest National Park	Gujarat	1975	258.71
Blackbuck National Park	Gujarat	1976	34.53
Namdapha National Park	Arunachal Pradesh	1983	1807.82
Mouling National Park	Arunachal Pradesh	1986	483
Sultanpur National Park	Haryana	1989	1.43
Bhitarkanika National Park	Orissa	1988	145
Simlipal National Park	Orissa	1980	845.70
Sirohi National Park	Manipur	1982	100
Kibul Lamjao National Park (only floating garden) Loktak lake	Manipur	1977	40
South Button Island National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1992	426.23
Campbell National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1992	426.23
Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1983	281.5
Mount Harriet National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1987	46.62
North Button Island National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1987	0.44
Middle Button Island National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1987	0.44
Queen Jhansi Marine National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1996	320.06
Saddle Peak National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1987	32.54
Galathea National Park	Andaman Nicobar Islands	1992	110
Intanki National Park	Nagaland	1993	202
Lord Mahavir Molem National Park	Goa	1992	107

Phawngpui Blue Mountain National Park	Mizoram	1992	50
Murlan National Park	Mizoram	1991	100
Kanchanjunga National Park	Sikkim	1977	1784
Valmiki National Park	Bihar	1989	335.65
Mahavir Harina Vanasthali National Park	Telangana	1994	14.59
Mrugavani National Park	Telangana	1994	3.6
Salim Ali National Park	Jammu and Kashmir	1992	9
Dachigam National Park	Jammu and Kashmir	1981	141
Kishtwar National Park	Jammu and Kashmir	1981	2191.5
Hemis National Park	Ladakh	1981	3350
Symbalbala National Park	Himachal Pradesh	2010	27.88
Inderkila	Himachal Pradesh	2010	94
Khirganga National Park	Himachal Pradesh	2010	705
Pin Valley National Park	Himachal Pradesh	1987	675
Great Himalayan National Park	Himachal Pradesh	1984	754.4
Dudhwa National Park	Uttar Pradesh	1977	490
Indravati National Park	Chhattisgarh	1982	1258.37
Guru Ghasidas National Park	Chhattisgarh	1981	1440.71
Kanger Valley National Park	Chhattisgarh	1982	200

- ❑ The Gir project was started in 1972 AD.
- ❑ Project Tiger was started in 1973 AD.
- ❑ The Gharial project was started in 1974 AD.
- ❑ Turtle conservation scheme was started in 1975.
- ❑ Magar breeding project was started in 1975 AD.
- ❑ Project Rhinoceros was started in 1987 AD.
- ❑ Himchita project was started in 1987 AD.
- ❑ The vulture project was implemented under the (2020-25) plan.
- ❑ The Hangul Project began in the 1970s.
- ❑ Project Elephant started in the year 1992.

Tiger Reserve	Year	State
Corbett Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Uttarakhand
Rajaji Tiger Reserve	2015	Uttarakhand
Ranthambore Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Rajasthan
Sariska Tiger Reserve	1978-79	Rajasthan
Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve	2022	Rajasthan
Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve	2013-14	Rajasthan
Palamu Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Jharkhand
Periyar Tiger Reserve	1978-79	Kerala
Parambikulam Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Kerala
Indravati Tiger Reserve	1982-83	Chhattisgarh
Guru Ghasidas Tiger Reserve	2021	Chhattisgarh
Udanti Sitanadi Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Chhattisgarh
Achanakmar Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Chhattisgarh
Buxa Tiger Reserve	1982-83	West Bengal
Sundarban Tiger Reserve	1973-74	West Bengal
Nagarjunasagar Srisailem Tiger Reserve	1982	Andhra Pradesh
Namdapha Tiger Reserve	1982-83	Arunachal Pradesh
Kamlang Tiger Reserve	2016	Arunachal Pradesh
Pakke Tiger Reserve	1999-2000	Arunachal Pradesh
Dudhwa Tiger Reserve	1987-88	Uttar Pradesh
Ranipur Tiger Reserve	2022	Uttar Pradesh
Pilibhit Tiger Reserve	2014	Uttar Pradesh
Amangarh Tiger Reserve	2012	Uttar Pradesh
Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve	1988-89	Tamil Nadu
Satyamangalam Tiger Reserve	2013-14	Tamil Nadu
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve	2021	Tamil Nadu
Anamalai Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Tamil Nadu
Mudumalai Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Tamil Nadu
Valmiki Tiger Reserve	1989-90	Bihar
Indra Priyadarshini Pench Tiger Reserve	1992-93	Madhya Pradesh
Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	1993-94	Madhya Pradesh
Panna Tiger Reserve	1994-95	Madhya Pradesh
Sanjay Dubri Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Madhya Pradesh

Satpura Tiger Reserve	1999-2000	Madhya Pradesh
Kanha Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Madhya Pradesh
Tadoba Andheri Tiger Reserve	1993-94	Maharashtra
Pench Tiger Reserve	1998-99	Maharashtra
Sahyadri Tiger Reserve	2009-10	Maharashtra
Nawegaon Nagjira Tiger Reserve	2013-14	Maharashtra
Bor Tiger Reserve	2014	Maharashtra
Melghat Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Maharashtra
Nameri Tiger Reserve	1999-2000	Assam
Kaziranga Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Assam
Orang Tiger Reserve	2016	Assam
Manas Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Assam
Satkosia Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Orissa
Similipal Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Orissa
Dandeli Anshi or Kali Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Karnataka
Nagarhole Tiger Reserve	2008-09	Karnataka
Bhadra Tiger Reserve	1998-99	Karnataka
Biligiri Ranganath Tiger Reserve	2010-11	Karnataka
Bandipur Tiger Reserve	1973-74	Karnataka
Kawal Tiger Reserve	2012-13	Telangana
Amarabad Tiger Reserve	2014	Telangana
Dampa Tiger Reserve	1994-85	Mizoram

IMPORTANT RAMSAR SITES : 2021-22

- ❑ The Ramsar site is a wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention. It is known as the 'Convention on Wetlands' an environmental treaty by UNESCO in 1971. It was named after the city of Ramsar in Iran.
- ❑ At present the total number of Ramsar sites in India is 75.
- ❑ Tamil Nadu has maximum number of Ramsar sites (14 nos), followed by Uttar Pradesh which has 10 numbers of Ramsar sites.
- ❑ India's first Ramsar site is Chilka Lake, which received the status in 1981.
- ❑ Sundarbans Wetland (West Bengal) is the largest Ramsar site in India. Sundarbans stretching in a whopping area of 4230 sq. km.
- ❑ Renuka Wetland (Himachal) is the smallest site in India, with an area of 0.2 sq km.
- ❑ The 75th Ramsar site 'Kanjirkulam Bird Sanctuary' (Tamil Nadu) has been recognized in 2022.

Kanjirkulam Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Pichavaram Mangrove	Tamil Nadu
Pallikarainai Marsh River Forest	Tamil Nadu
Karikili Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Suchindram Theroor Wetland Complex	Tamil Nadu
Chitrangudi Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Vembanur Wetland Complex	Tamil Nadu
Vellode Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Vadanthangal Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Udhaya Marthandapuram Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve	Tamil Nadu
Kunthankulam Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
Shallbugh Wetland Conservation Reserve	Jammu – Kashmir (75th)
Hygam Wetland Conservation Reserve	Jammu – Kashmir
Lonar Lake	Maharashtra
Thane Creek	Maharashtra
Yashwant Sagar	Madhya Pradesh
Sirpur Talab	Indore, Madhya Pradesh
Sakhya Sagar Lake	Madhya Pradesh
Anshupa Lake	Odisha
Hirakud Reservoir	Odisha
Tampara Lake	Odisha
Satkosia Gorge	Odisha
Ranganathittu	Karnataka
Nanda Lake	Goa
Pala wetlands	Mizoram
Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary	Uttar Pradesh
Haiderpur Wetland	Uttar Pradesh
Sur Sarovar	Uttar Pradesh
Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary	Gujarat
Thol Lake Wildlife Sanctuary	Gujarat
Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary	Haryana
Sultanpur National Park	Haryana
Tso Kar Lake	Ladakh
Kabartal Lake	Bihar

BIOSPHERE RESERVE OF INDIA (18)

- ❑ Cold Desert, Himachal Pradesh
- ❑ Nanda Devi, Uttarakhand
- ❑ Khangchendzonga, Sikkim (under Man and Biosphere Reserve)

Biosphere Reserve Program in 2018)

- ❑ Dehang-Dibang, Arunachal Pradesh
- ❑ Manas, Assam
- ❑ Dibru-Saikhowa, Assam (smallest)
- ❑ Nokrek, Meghalaya
- ❑ Panna, Madhya Pradesh
- ❑ Pachmarhi, Madhya Pradesh
- ❑ Achanakamar-Amarkantak, Madhya Pradesh-Chhattisgarh
- ❑ Kachchh, Gujarat
- ❑ Similipal, Odisha
- ❑ Sunderbans, West Bengal
- ❑ Seshachalam Hills, Andhra Pradesh
- ❑ Agasthyamalai, Karnataka-Tamil Nadu Kerala
- ❑ Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu Kerala
- ❑ Gulf of Mannar, Tamil Nadu
- ❑ Great Nicobar, Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- ❑ First Biosphere Reserve - Nilgiris (1986)
- ❑ Present Largest Reserve - Kachchh (Gujarat).

BIRD SANCTUARIES OF INDIA

Bird sanctuary	State
Kolleru Bird Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh
Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary	Nellore (Andhra Pradesh)
Manjira Bird Sanctuary	Telangana
Ghatigaon Bustard Bird Sanctuary	Maharashtra
Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
Sultanpur Bird Sanctuary	Gurugram (Haryana)
Ghataprabha Bird Sanctuary	Karnataka
Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary	Karnataka

Nalbana Bird Sanctuary	Odisha
Harike Lake Bird Sanctuary	Punjab
Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary (now known as Keoladeo National Park)	Bharatpur (Rajasthan)
Nawabganj Bird Sanctuary	Unnao (Uttar Pradesh)
Samaspur Bird Sanctuary	Rae Bareli, (Uttar Pradesh)
Lakh-Bahosi Bird Sanctuary	Kannauj (Uttar Pradesh)
Sandi Bird Sanctuary	Hardoi (Uttar Pradesh)
Bakhira Bird Sanctuary	Sant Kabir Nagar (Uttar Pradesh)
Okhla Bird Sanctuary	Gautam Buddha Nagar (Uttar Pradesh)
Saman Bird Sanctuary	Mainpuri (Uttar Pradesh)
Parvati Arga Bird Sanctuary	Gonda (Uttar Pradesh)
Vijay Sagar Bird Sanctuary	Hamirpur and Mahoba (Uttar Pradesh)
Patna Bird Sanctuary	Etah (Uttar Pradesh)
Surha Tal Bird Sanctuary (Lok Nayak Bird Sanctuary)	Baliya (Uttar Pradesh)
Sur-Sarovar Bird Sanctuary	Agra, Uttar Pradesh)
Bhimrao Ambedkar Bird Sanctuary (Benti Lake Bird Sanctuary)	Pratapgarh (Uttar Pradesh)