



NATIONAL PARKS IN INDIA

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Wildlife Sanctuary

- A wildlife sanctuary is a place where neglected animals live freely without any external interruption.
- Wild animals that are in danger of extinction especially keep their species away from extinction in the wildlife sanctuary.
- They are important for studies and research purposes. These are directly controlled by the government and are also owned privately by charities and research institutes.

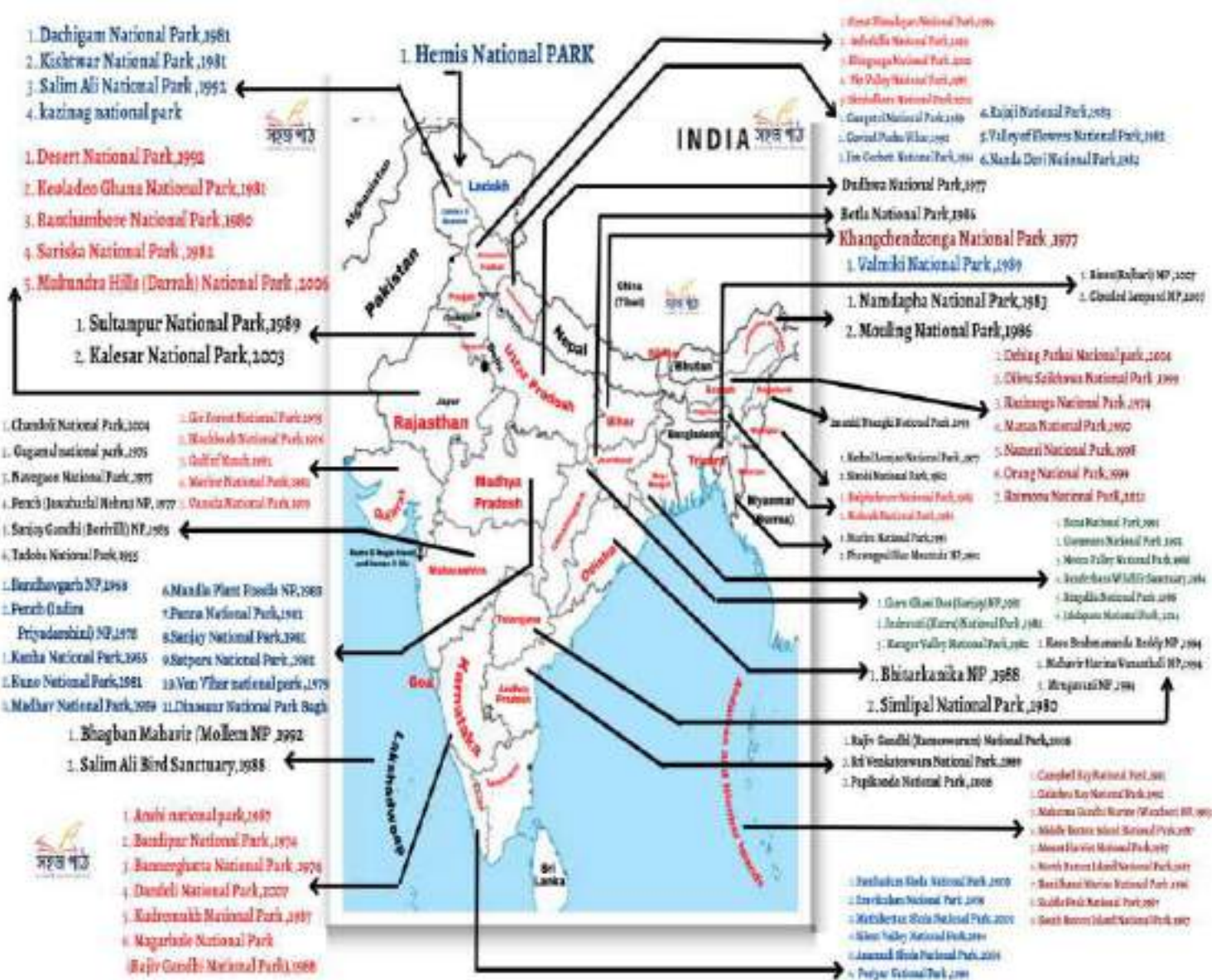
Biosphere Reserve

- It is a protected area where sustainable development of plants and animals happens. It also protects and preserves the traditional life tribal people live around the reserve. There are three zones in the biosphere reserve. Those are Core, Buffer, Manipulation.
- **Core Areas** : It comprises a strictly protected zone that contributes to the conservation of landscapes, ecosystems, species and genetic variation
- **Buffer Zones** : It surrounds or adjoins the core area(s), and is used for activities compatible with sound ecological practices that can reinforce scientific research, monitoring, training and education.
- **Transition Area** : The transition area is where communities foster socio-culturally and ecologically sustainable economic and human activities.

National Park :

- National Parks in India are declared under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972. They are IUCN category II protected areas.
- There were 5 National Parks already in India before this Act.
- 1.23% of the geographical area of the country.
- Hailey National Park (presently known as Jim Corbett National Park), established in 1936 is India's first National Park.
- An area, whether within a sanctuary or not, can be notified by the state government to be constituted as a National Park, by reason of its ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphological, or zoological association or importance, needed to for the purpose of protecting & propagating or developing wildlife therein or its Environment and cultivation are not permitted. The boundaries of National Parks are well defined and no private activities are allowed inside the National Park.
- **National Parks in India - under Wildlife Protection Act - 1972** , Section 35 (4) , IUCN category II protected area.
- **India's first National Park - Hailey National Park - 1936**
- **Largest in India - Hemis National Park – Ladakh**
- Jim Corbett National Park was established in 1936 as Hailey National Park.
Jim Corbett National Park may be renamed Ramganga National Park.
It is situated in the **Nainital district of Uttarakhand** .
- **Smallest - South Button Island (Andaman & Nicobar)**
- **Maximum - Madhya Pradesh**

- There are **106** existing national parks in India covering an area of 44,372.42 km², which is 1.35% of the geographical area of the country (National Wildlife Database, May. 2022).
- **First Marine - Gujarat - Marine National Park**
- Floating National Park - Keibul Lamjao National Park (manipur) Loktak Lake



State & UT **No. of NP**

1. Andhra Pradesh	3
2. Arunachal Pradesh	2
3. Assam	7
4. Bihar	1
5. Chhattisgarh	3
6. Goa	1
7. Gujarat	4
8. Haryana	2
9. Himachal Pradesh	5
11. Jharkhand	1
12. Karnataka	5
13. Kerala	6
14. Madhya Pradesh	11
15. Maharashtra	6
16. Manipur	2
17. Meghalaya	2
18. Mizoram	2



19. Nagaland	1
20. Odisha	2
21. Punjab	0
22. Rajasthan	5
23. Sikkim	1
24. Tamil Nadu	5
25. Telangana	3
25. Tripura	2
26. Uttar Pradesh	1
27. Uttarakhand	6
28. West Bengal	6
29. Andaman & Nicobar	6
30. Chandigarh	0
31. Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0
32. Daman & Diu	0
33. Delhi	0
34. Jammu & Kashmir	4
36. Ladakh	1



37. Lakshadweep	0
38. Puducherry	0
TOTAL	106

National Parks in India: Madhya Pradesh

- Bandhavgarh National Park : It is known for its large population of Royal Bengal Tigers. Bandhavgarh National Park was declared a National Park in 1968 and then became Tiger Reserve in 1993.
- Kanha National Park
- Madhav National Park
- Mandla Fossils National Park
- Van Vihar National Park
- Pench National Park
- Sanjay National Park
- Satpura National Park

National Parks in India: Nagaland

- Intangki National Park

National Parks in India: Goa

- Mollem National Park : It is also known as Bhagwan Mahaveer National Park.

National Parks in India: Telangana

- Mrugavani National Park : famous for Spotted Deer (Chital).
- Kasu Reddy National Park
- Vanasthali National Park

National Parks in India: Andhra Pradesh

- Papikonda National Park
- Sri Venkateswara Park
- Rajiv Gandhi National Park (Rameswaram)

National Parks in India: Mizoram

- Murlen National Park
- Blue Mountain National Park

National Parks in India: Arunachal Pradesh

- Mouling National Park
- Namdapha National Park

National Parks in India: Sikkim

- Khangchendzonga Park : It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site
.Kanchenjunga is the highest peak in India, and 3rd highest peak in the World.

National Parks in India: Manipur

- Keibul Lamjao National Park : It is located in Bishnupur district (Manipur), it is the only floating National Park of India, it is in Loktak Lake, floating Vegetation is found here (Phumdi).
- Sirohi National Park

National Parks in India: Karnataka

- Bandipur National Park
- Bannerghatta National Park
- Kudremukh National Park
- Nagarhole National Park
- Anshi National Park

National Parks in India: Jharkhand

- Betla National Park
- Hazaribagh National Park

National Parks in India: Gujarat

- Blackbuck National Park
- Gir Forest National Park
- Marine Gulf of Kutch park
- Vansda National Park
- Velavadar National Park

National Parks in India: West Bengal

- Sundarbans National Park :
 - ✦ Sundarbans Tiger Reserve : 1973
 - ✦ National park : 4 May 1984
 - ✦ UNESCO World Heritage site : 1987 (For Sundori trees)
 - ✦ World network of Biosphere reserves : 1989
 - ✦ Ramser site : 2019
- Buxa Tiger Reserve
- Gorumara National Park : famous for Rhino, it is situated in the Dooars region of Himalayan foothills.
- Jaldapara National Park
- Neora Valley National Park
- Singalila National Park : It is in Darjeeling, it is well known for the trekking route to Sandakphu that runs through it.

National Parks in India: Uttarakhand

- Gangotri : Deer is found here (State Animal of Uttarakhand).
- Govind Pashu Vihar
- Rajaji : It is also a Tiger Reserve, named after "C Rajagopalachari".
- Jim Corbett : First National Park of India, It is also a Tiger Reserve, it was named after British Tiger Hunter 'Jim Corbett'.

- Valley of Flowers : It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Nanda Devi : It is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site, Nanda Devi is the 2nd highest peak in India.

National Parks in India: Chhattisgarh

- Indravati National Park
- Kanger Ghati National Park
- Guru Ghasidas National Park (Sanjay National Park)

National Parks in India: Haryana

- Kalesar National Park
- Sultanpur National Park

National Parks in India: Punjab

- Harike Wetland

National Parks in India: Tamil Nadu

- Guindy National Park
- Gulf of Mannar National Park
- Indira Sanctuary
- Mudumalai National Park :
- Mukurthi National Park : It is a part of UNESCO World Heritage Site , previously known as Nilgiri Tahr National Park,
- Palani Hills National Park

National Parks in India: Bihar

- Valmiki National Park

National Parks in India: Uttar Pradesh

- Dudhwa National Park

National Parks in India: Odisha

- Simlipal National Park

- Bhitarkanika National Park

National Parks in India: Assam

- Kaziranga National Park :
- Manas National Park
- Nameri National Park
- Orang National Park
- Dibru Saikhowa National Park
- Raimona National Park
- Dihing Patkai National Park

National Parks in India: Rajasthan

- Darrah National Park
- Desert National Park
- Keoladeo (ghana) National Park : It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, previously known as Bharatpur Bird Sanctuary.
- Mount Abu Wildlife Sanctuary
- Ranthambore National Park
- Sariska Tiger Reserve
- Mukundara Hills Tiger Reserve

National Parks in India: Jammu and Kashmir

- Dachigam National Park
- Kishtwar National Park
- Salim Ali National Park

National Parks in India: Ladhak

- Hemis National Park

National Parks in India: Maharashtra

- Chandoli National Park
- Negaon National Park
- Sanjay Gandhi National Park : It is in Borivali, Mumbai.
- Tadoba National Park
- Gugamal National Park
- Pench (Jawaharlal Nehru) : Its called Indira Priyadarshini Pench National Park.

National Parks in Himachal Pradesh

- Pin Valley National Park .
- Inderkilla National Park .
- Khirganga National Park .
- Simbalbara National Park .
- Great Himalayan : famous for Snow Leopard.

National Parks in Andaman and Nicobar Islands

- Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park
- Mount Harriet
- Campbell Bay
- Galathea Bay
- Saddle Peak
- Great Nicobar Biosphere Reserve
- North Button Island
- Middle Button Island
- Rani Jhanshi marine
- South Button Island

National Parks in Meghalaya

- Nokrek National Park
- Balphakram National Park

National Parks in Kerala

- Anamudi Shola National Park
- Kumarakom National Park
- Periyar National Park
- Silent Valley National Park
- Eravikulam National Park
- Pampadum Shola National Park
- Matthiketan Shola National Park

National Parks in Tripura

- Clouded Leopard
- Bison (Rajbari)



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