

NATIONAL PARK - DEFINITION

According to the Indian Ministry of Environment & Forests, a national park is

"[a]n area, whether within a sanctuary or not, [that] 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."

No human activity is permitted inside the national park except for the ones permitted by the Chief Wildlife Warden of the state under the conditions given in CHAPTER IV, WPA 1972".

By 1970 - only five national parks – today - around 104

IMPORTANT FACTS ON NATIONAL PARKS

❖ First National Park in India:

- Hailey National Park - Established in 1936
- Now known as Jim Corbett National Park (Uttarakhand)

❖ Largest in India:

- Hemis National Park (Ladakh) - 4400 sq. km. *high altitude*
- Also largest National Park in South Asia

❖ Smallest in India:

- South Button Island National Park (Andaman and Nicobar Islands) – 0.03 sq. km.

State with largest number of National Parks:

Madhya Pradesh – 11 (latest addition - Kuno National Park)

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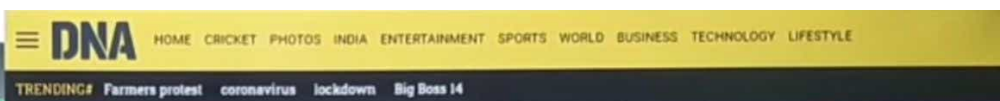
(केयबुल जंगल), Manipur (Loktak lake)





Where The Jungle Book comes to life

In the forests of India's Kanha Tiger Reserve - Shere Khan still rules.



Home » Lifestyle

On 'The Jungle Book' trail at Kanha National Park

Here's what Jayadev Calamur discovers on the path made famous by Rudyard Kipling

Rudyard Kipling's Jungle Book – KANHA or PENCH???



J&K and Ladakh



National Park (J&K)

Area (km²)

City Forest (Salim Ali)
National Park

9

Dachigam National Park

141

Kishtwar National Park

425

National Park (Ladakh)

Area (km²)

Hemis National Park

4400



Kishtwar National Park -Kishtwar district
Himalayan snowcock and the brown
bear



Hemis National Park - Ladakh
Snow leopards
(largest National park)

Dachigam National Park- Srinagar
Name literally stands for "ten villages" -
could be in memory of the ten villages that
were relocated for its formation.



Himachal Pradesh



National Park of Himachal Pradesh	Total Area(km ²)
Great Himalayan National Park	754.5
Simbalbara National Park	27.88
Inderkila National Park	104
Pin Valley National Park	675
Khirganga National Park	710

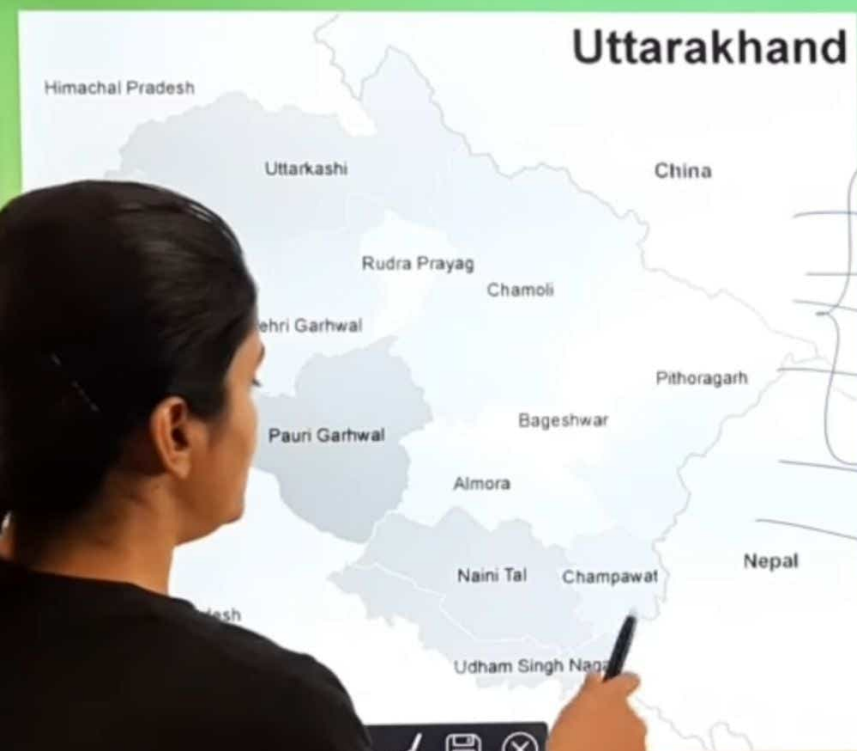
Himachal Pradesh



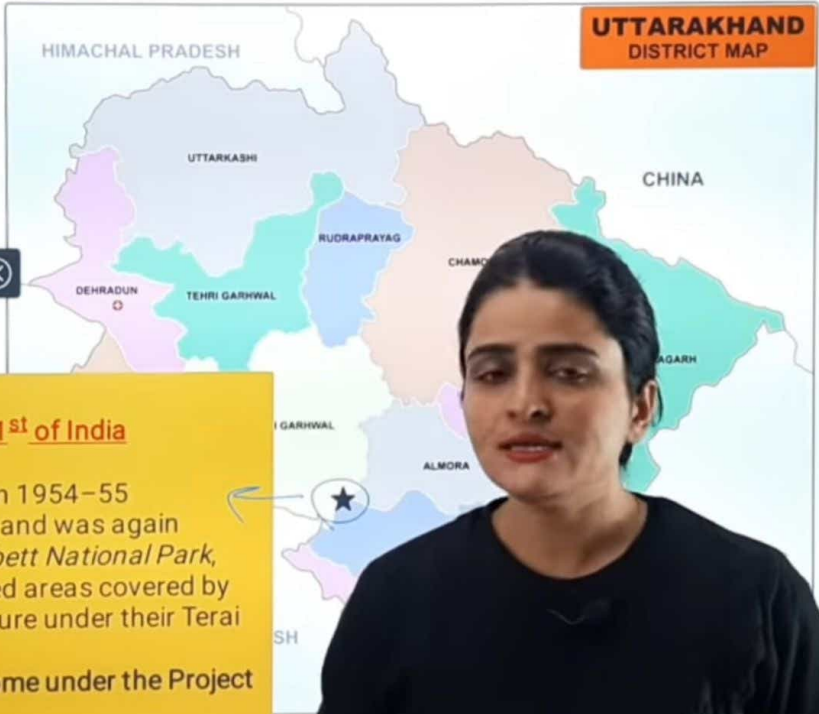
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In June 2014, the **Great Himalayan National Park** was added to the UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Uttarakhand



Name of NP	Area (km ²)
Nanda Devi National Park	630.33
Govind Pashu Vihar National Park	79.45
Rajaji National Park	820
Valley of Flowers National Park	87.50
Jim Corbett National Park	1318.5



UTTARAKHAND DISTRICT MAP

HIMACHAL PRADESH

CHINA

UTTARKASHI

RUDRAPUR

CHAMOLI

DEHRADUN

TEHRI GARHWAL

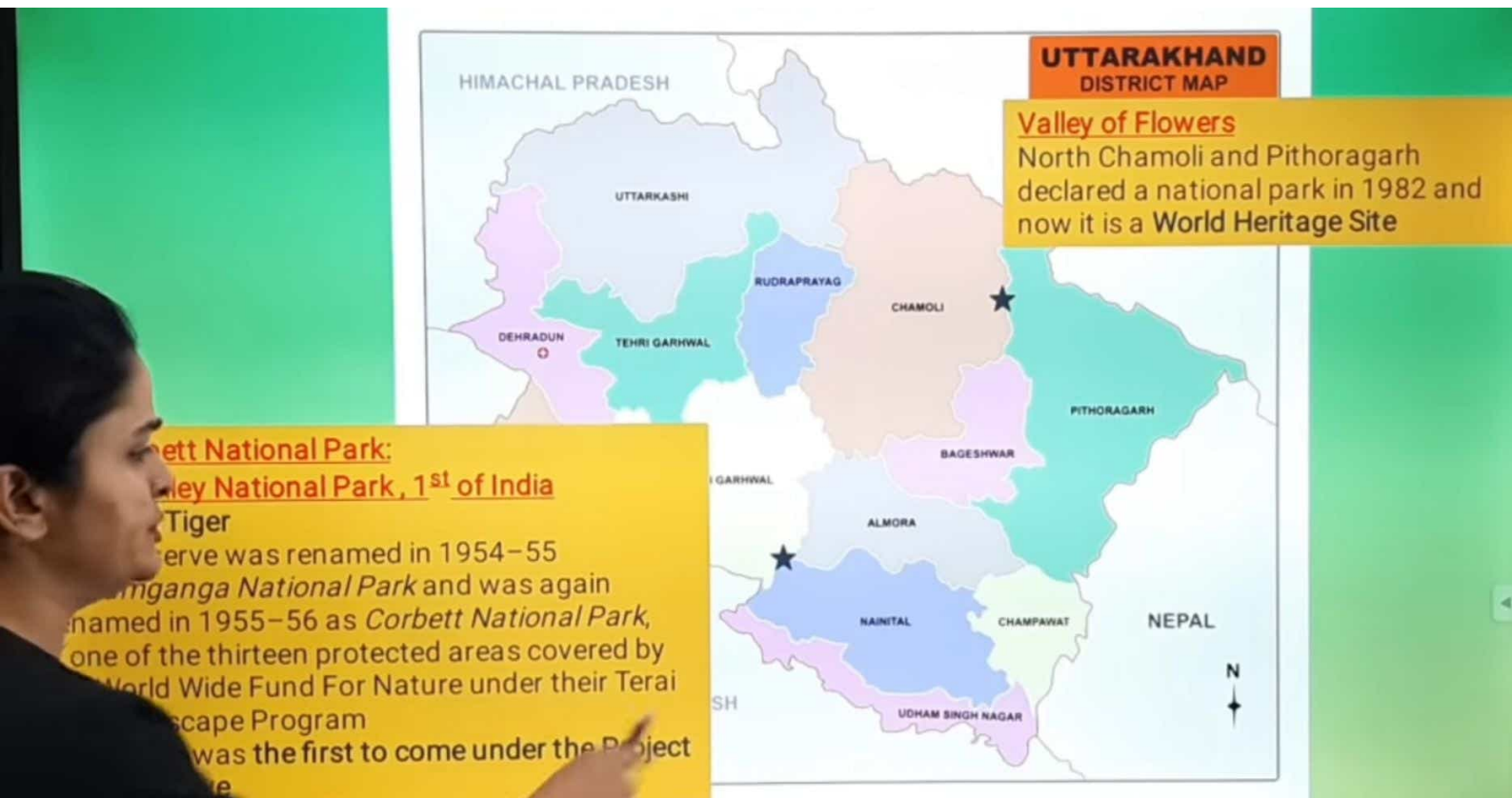
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Jim Corbett National Park:
1936- Hailey National Park, 1st of India
✓ Bengal Tiger
✓ The reserve was renamed in 1954-55 as *Ramganga National Park* and was again renamed in 1955-56 as *Corbett National Park*,
✓ one of the thirteen protected areas covered by the World Wide Fund For Nature under their Terai Arc Landscape Program
✓ The park was the first to come under the Project Tiger initiative



**UTTARAKHAND
DISTRICT MAP**

Valley of Flowers

North Chamoli and Pithoragarh
declared a national park in 1982 and
now it is a World Heritage Site

Corbett National Park:

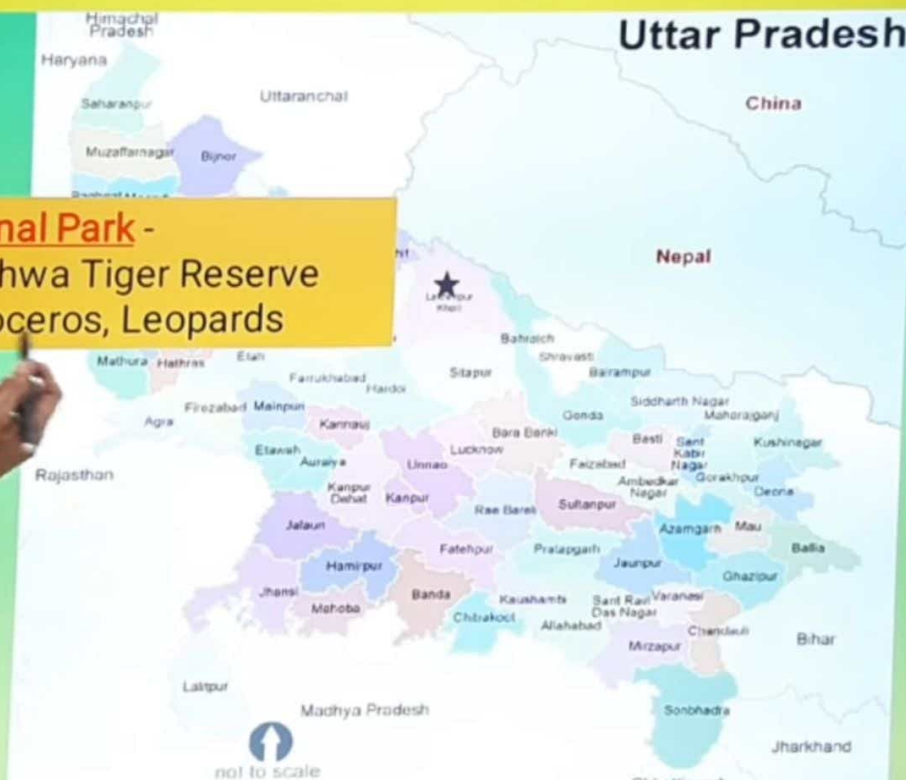
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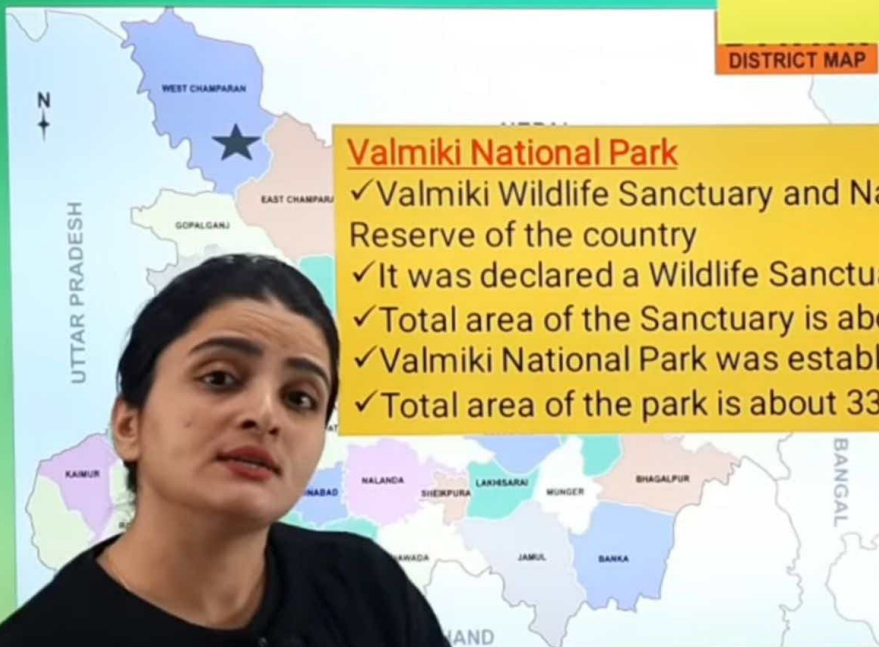
Uttar Pradesh

- ✓ The **Dudhwa National Park** -
- ✓ It is part of the Dudhwa Tiger Reserve
- ✓ Tigers, Indian rhinoceros, Leopards



Bihar

DISTRICT MAP



Valmiki National Park

- ✓ Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary and National Park is the 18th Tiger Reserve of the country
- ✓ It was declared a Wildlife Sanctuary in 1978.
- ✓ Total area of the Sanctuary is about 545.15 Km².
- ✓ Valmiki National Park was established in the year 1990.
- ✓ Total area of the park is about 335.65 Km².

Jharkhand



Betla National Park

It was declared as a National Park in the year of 1986. Total area of the park is about 226.33 Km².

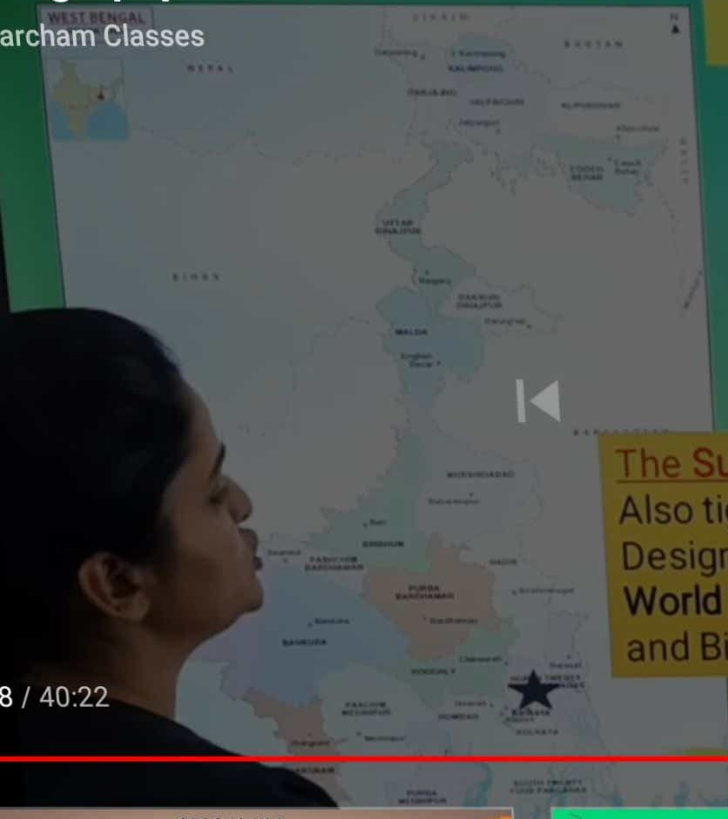
In the year of 1973, it was declared a wildlife sanctuary. The area was set up as the Palamau Tiger Reserve in the year of 1974. Total area of the reserve is about 1014



West Bengal

Name of National Park	Total Area(km ²)
Sunderban National Park	1330.10
Singalila National Park	78.60
Gorumara National Park	79.45
Neora Valley National Park	159.89
Buxa National Park	117.10
Jaldapara National Park	215.51

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Sunderban National Park	1330.10
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	17.10
Jaldapara National Park	215.51

The Sundarbans National Park

Also tiger reserve, and biosphere reserve

Designated as Ramsar site since 2019

World Network of Biosphere Reserve (Man and Biosphere Reserve) from 1989

Odisha

ODISHA District Map



Name of National Park	Total Area(km ²)
<u>Bhitarkanika National Park</u>	145
<u>Simlipal National Park</u>	845.7

Rajasthan

Rajasthan



National Parks	Area (Km ²)
Desert National Park/ मरुभूमि राष्ट्रीय उद्यान	3162
Ranthambhore National Park	282
Sariska National Park	273.8
Keoladeo National Park/ केवलादेव राष्ट्रीय उद्यान	28.73
Mukundra Hills (Darrah) National Park	200.54

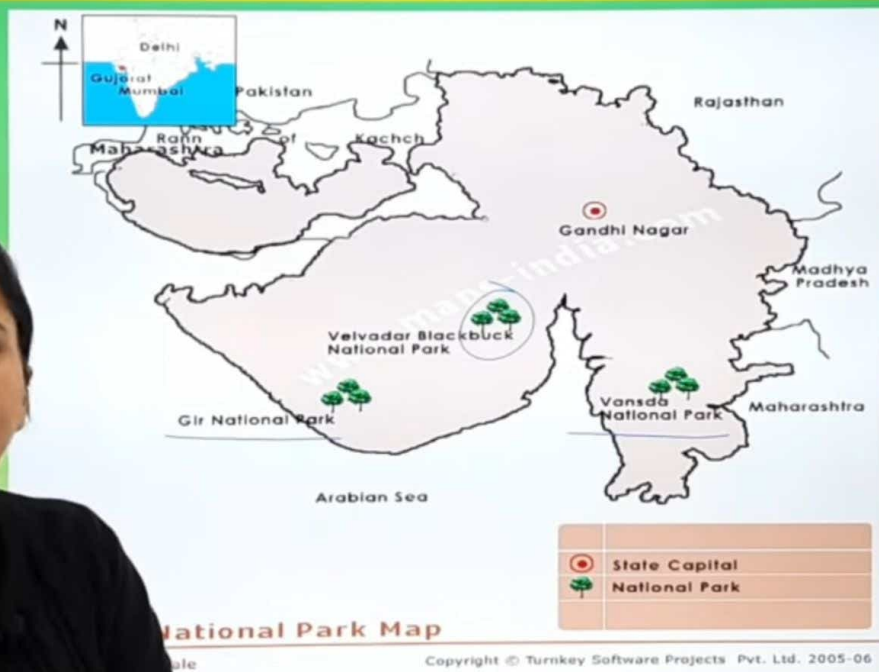


Great Indian Bustard/
सोन चिरैया/गोडावण
(found in Desert National Park)

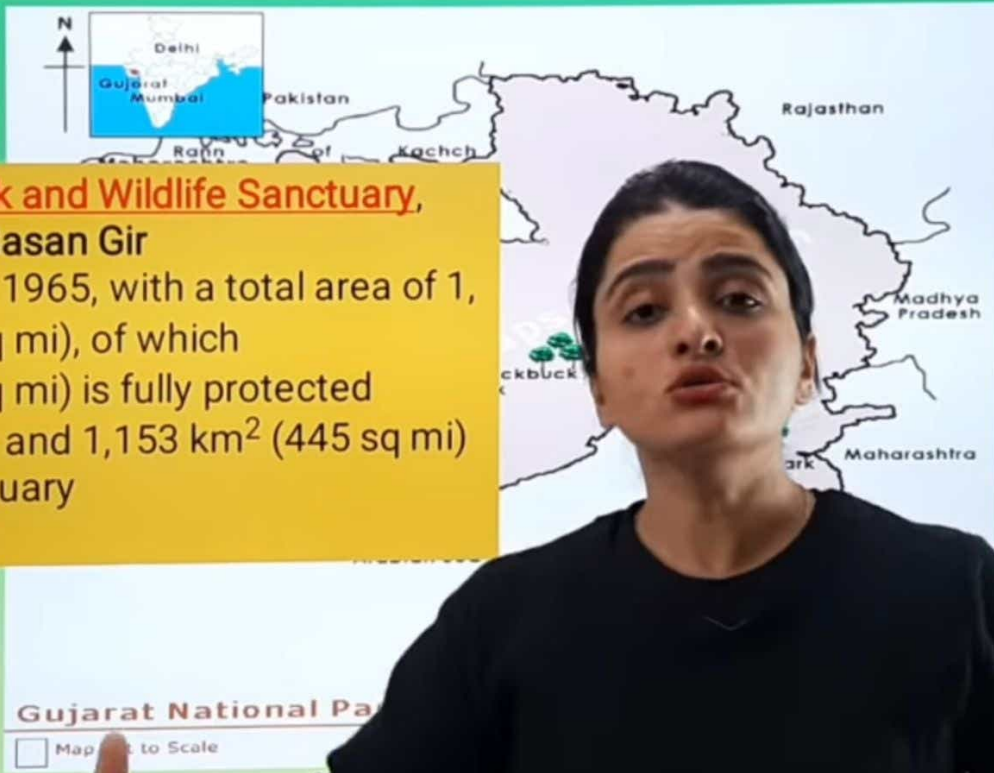


Siberian Crane
(Keoladeo National Park)
Formerly called Bharatpur
Sanctuary)

Gujarat



Gujarat



Gir National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary,

also known as **Sasan Gir**

✓ established in 1965, with a total area of 1,412 km² (545 sq mi), of which 258 km² (100 sq mi) is fully protected as national park and 1,153 km² (445 sq mi) as wildlife sanctuary

✓ Asiatic Lion

Madhya Pradesh



Name	Area
Kanha National Park	940 km ²
Bandhavgarh National Park	437 km ²
Madhav National Park	354 km ²
Sanjay National Park (sh)	467 km ²
Van Vihar National Park	4.45 km ²
Panna National Park	543 km ²
Satpura National Park	524 km ²
Pench National Park (sh)	293 km ²
Fossils National Park	0.27 km ²
Dinosaur fossil park	108 km ²
Palpur Kuno National Park	748 km ²

MADHYA PRADESH DISTRICT MAP



**Kanha Tiger Reserve/ Kanha–Kisli
National Park**
Largest (940 sq. km) in MP
Tiger, Leopard, sloth bear (रीछ)

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- *Award of Excellence* in 2007 as the best maintained national park of India by the Ministry of Tourism of India
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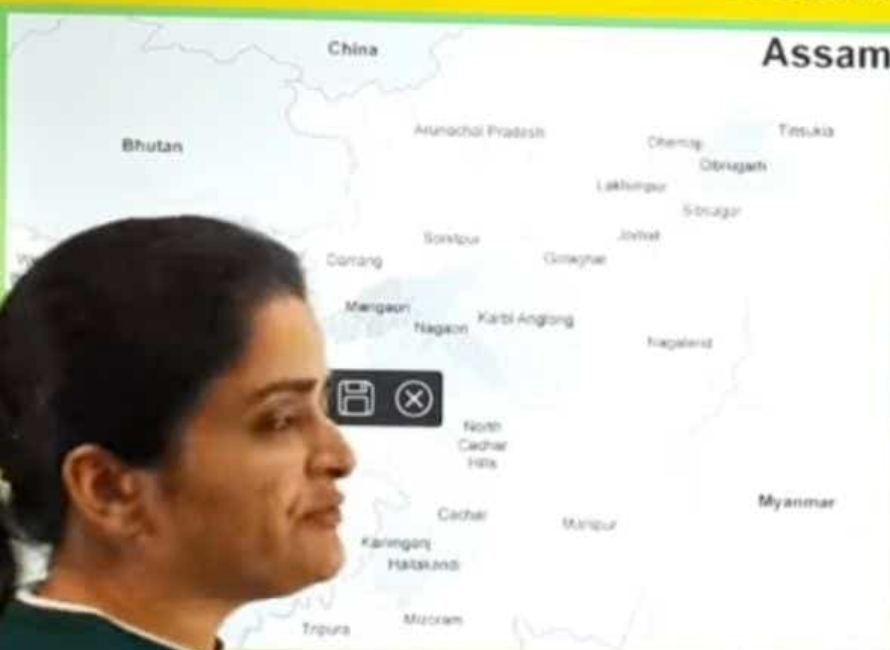
Chhatisgarh

National Park	Total Area (km ²)
Indravati (Kutru) National Park	1,258.37
Kanger Valley National Park (कांगेर घाटी राष्ट्रीय उद्यान)	200
Guru Ghasi Das (Sanjay) National Park	1,440.71



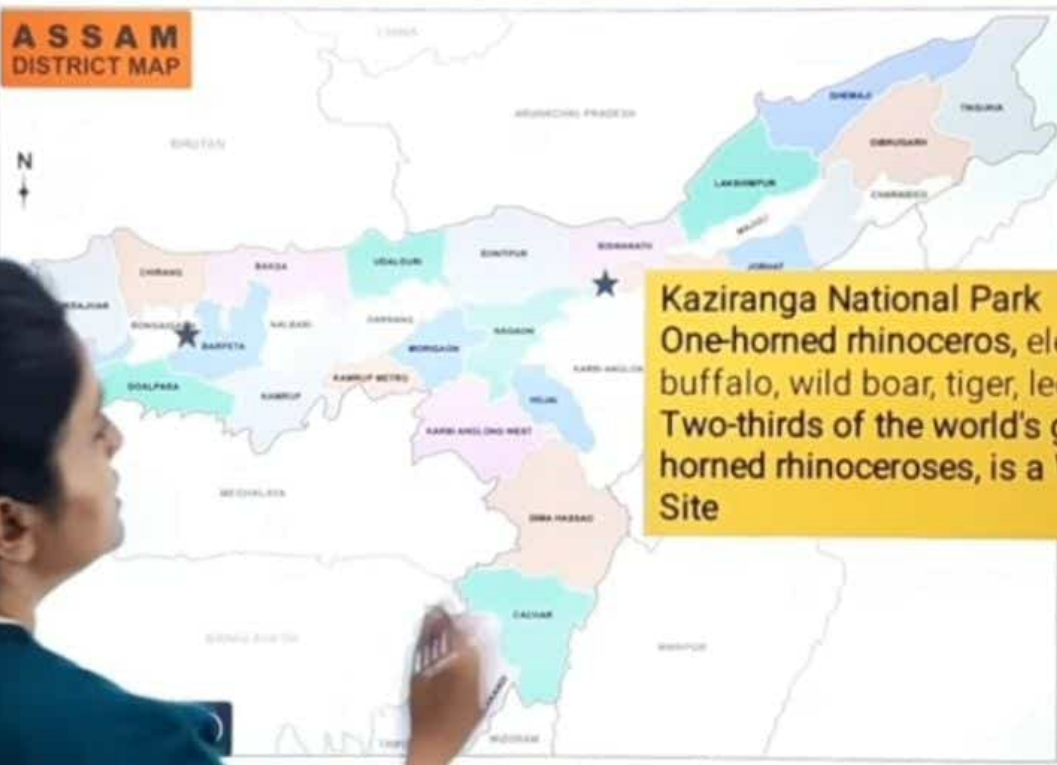


Assam




Name of NP	Area (km ²)
Dibru-Saikhowa National Park	340
Kaziranga National Park	858.98
Manas National Park	500
Nameri National Park	200
Rajiv Gandhi Orang National Park	78.81

ASSAM DISTRICT MAP



Kaziranga National Park
One-horned rhinoceros, elephant, wild
buffalo, wild boar, tiger, leopard
Two-thirds of the world's great one-
horned rhinoceroses, is a World Heritage
Site

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Sikkim

Khangchendzonga National Park also Kanchenjunga Biosphere Reserve / कंचनजंगा राष्ट्रीय उद्यान

UNESCO World Heritage Sites list in July 2016, becoming the first "Mixed Heritage" site of India.

It was included in the UNESCO Man and Biosphere Programme.

The park gets its name from the mountain Kanchenjunga, the third-highest peak in the world.

The total area of this park is 849,700 hectares.

Mixed heritage sites contain elements of both natural and cultural significance.



Manipur

Keibul Lamjao National Park/ (के
लामजाओ) - 40 km² in area
The only floating park in the world, and
integral part of Loktak Lake.

Maharashtra



Name of National Park	Total Area(km ²)
Chandoli National Park	317.67
Gugamal National Park	361.28
Tadoba National Park	116.55
Nawegaon National Park	133.88
Sanjay Gandhi (Borivali) National Park	86.96

Sanjay Gandhi (Borivali) National Park:
one of the most visited parks in the world

Andhra Pradesh

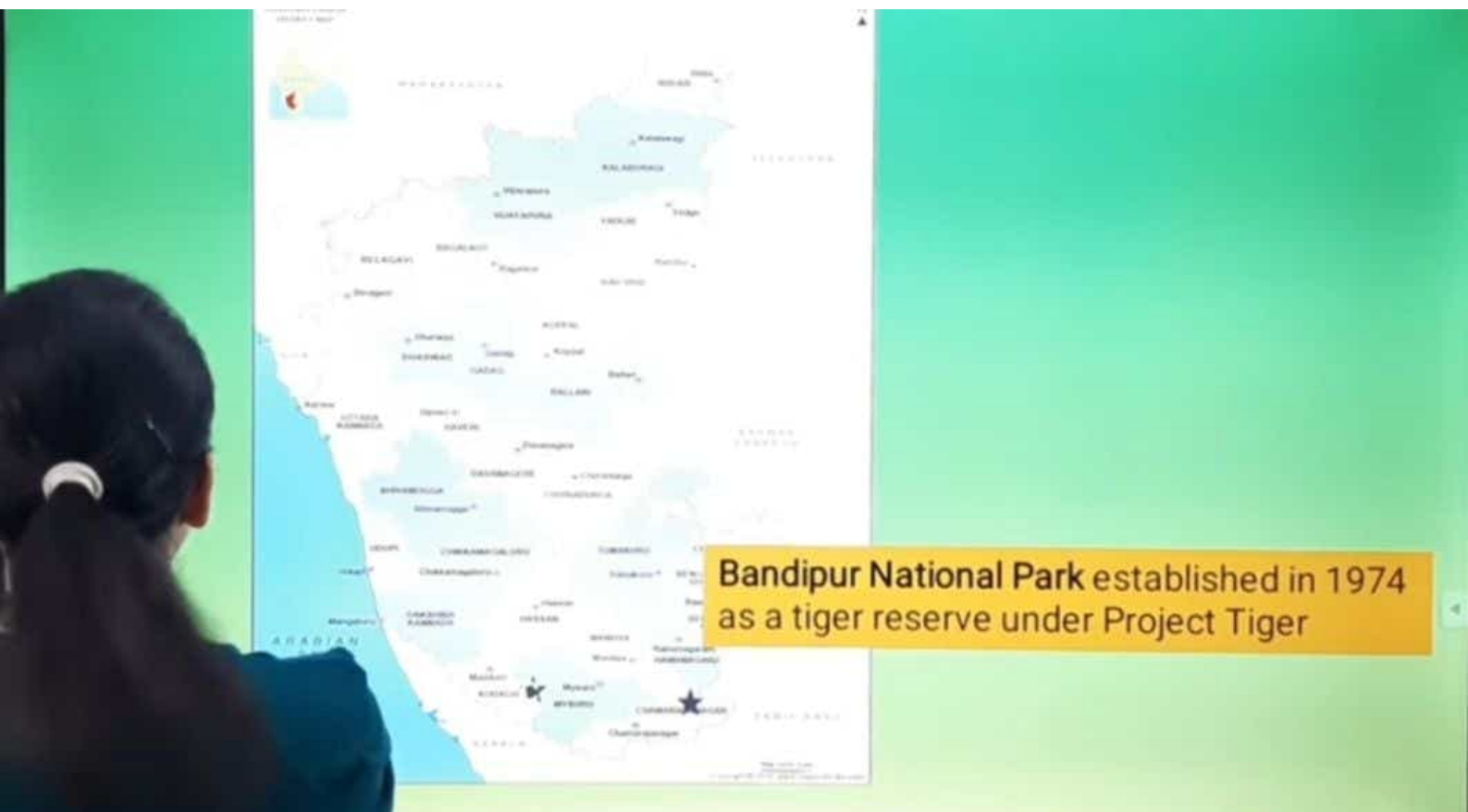


National Park	Area (In km ²)
Sri Venkateswara National Park	353.62
Rajiv Gandhi National Park	2.40
Papikonda National Park	1012.86

Karnataka



National Park	Total Area(km ²)
Anshi National Park	417.37
Bandipur National Park	874.2
Bannerghatta National Park	260.51
Kudremukh National Park	600.32
Rajiv Gandhi (Nagarahole) National Park	643.39



**Bandipur National Park established in 1974
as a tiger reserve under Project Tiger**

Nagarhole National Park was declared the thirty seventh Project Tiger, Tiger reserves of India in 1999
Tigers, Gaur (Indian Bison), elephants, Indian leopards, and deer





Kerala

National Park	Total Area(km ²)
Anamudi Shola National Park	7.5
Eravikulam National Park	97
Mathikettan Shola National Park	12.82
Pambadum Shola National Park	1.318
Periyar National Park	350
Silent Valley National Park	89.52



Periyar National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary (PNP) - elephant reserve and tiger reserve
declared as the Periyar National Park in 1982.

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Tamil Nadu

Tamilnadu District Map



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Guindy National Park	2.82
Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park	6.23
Indira Gandhi (Annamalai) National Park	117.1
Mudumalai National Park	103.23
Mukurthi National Park	78.46

Andaman & Nicobar Islands



National Park	Area(km ²)
Campbell Bay National Park	426.23
Galathea Bay National Park	110
Mahatma Gandhi Marine (Wandoor) National Park	281.5
Middle Button Island National Park	0.44
Mount Harriett National Park	46.62
North Button Island National Park	0.44
Rani Jhansi Marine National Park	256.14
Saddle Peak National Park	32.54
South Button Island National Park	0.03