



## World Wildlife Day

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- World Wildlife Day is celebrated every year on the **3<sup>rd</sup> of March since 2013**. The date chosen coincides with the day the **Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) which was signed in 1973**.
- The **UNGA resolution also designated the CITES Secretariat** as the facilitator for the global observance of this special day for wildlife on the UN calendar.
- **Theme: 'Sustaining all Life on Earth'**, highlights the unique place of wild fauna and flora as essential components of the world's biodiversity.
- The year 2020, known as **"biodiversity super year,"** will host several major global events that place biodiversity at the forefront.
- This aligns with UN **Sustainable Development Goals 1, 12, 14 and 15**, and their wide-ranging commitments on alleviating poverty, ensuring sustainable use of resources, and on conserving life both on land and below water to halt biodiversity loss.
  - **Goal 1:** No Poverty
  - **Goal 12:** Responsible Consumption And Production
  - **Goal 14:** Life Below Water
  - **Goal 15:** Life On Land
- Our planet is currently facing the **urgent challenge that is the loss of biodiversity** and up to a **million species could disappear in the coming decades if unsustainable human activity, climate change and habitat degradation** are left unchecked.
- There might come a time when these species remain only in videos for future generations to see.



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