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Conservation of 'Python' at Dalma Hill

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Why in News

Recently, the **State Forest Department** has taken an initiative to **conserve species of snakes** including **python** in **Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary**.

Key Point

- It is noteworthy that there are **three species of Python found in India-**
 - **Indian Rock Python**
 - **Burmese Python**
 - **Reticulated python**
- The **Indian Python is protected under Schedule I of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972**. In such a situation, along with identifying the habitats of python by the State Forest Department for **the conservation of python**, rural people are being made aware about the measures to avoid **human-wildlife conflict**.
- **Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary** located in **Jamshedpur is famous for elephants**. Barking deer, sloth bear and various reptile species are notable among other fauna found here.
- It is worth noting that in the year 2017, a nationwide initiative named '**Living with Python**' was started by **Goa-based herpetologist Nirmal Kulkarni** to raise **awareness about the Indian python species**.