

Dudhwa National Park

Why in News

Recently, the elephant safari at Dudhwa National Park was banned, as most of the trained elephants have been deployed in patrolling duties.

• The other major reason to put restrictions on the safari was the aggressive nature of male elephants which poses a serious threat to the safety of riders.

Dudhwa Tiger Reserve

- The <u>Dudhwa Tiger Reserve</u> is a protected area in **Uttar Pradesh** located on the India-Nepal border.
 - It stretches mainly across the Lakhimpur Kheri and Bahraich districts.
- It comprises of:
 - Dudhwa National Park through which Suheli and Mohana streams flow,
 - Kishanpur Wildlife Sanctuary through which Sharda River flows, and
 - Katarniaghat Wildlife Sanctuary through which Geruwa River flows.
 - All of these rivers are **tributaries of the Ghagra River**.
- The Dudhwa National Park has a number of species of birds, reptiles, wild elephants, aquatic animals, one-horned rhinos, wild elephants besides its enriched flora and fauna. Its undisturbed natural forest cover, vast spans of grasslands and wetlands.
 - It is the only place in U.P. where both **Tigers** and **Rhinos** can be spotted together.

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