



Wildlife Conservation Initiatives



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Constitutional Provisions for Wildlife

42nd Amendment

Act, 1976: Forests & Protection of Wild Animals and Birds (moved from State to Concurrent List)

Article

48 A: State shall endeavor to protect & improve environment and safeguard forests and wildlife of country

Article

51 A (g): Fundamental duty to protect & improve natural environment including forests and Wildlife

Legal Frameworks

Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972

Biological Diversity Act, 2002

Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB): Collection, collation of intelligence & its dissemination, establishment of centralized Wild Life crime databank, coordination etc.

Wildlife Crime Control:

- ⌚ Operation Save Kurma
- ⌚ Operation Thunderbird

Species-Specific Initiatives

- Protection and conservation of Greater Adjutant in Gangetic riverine tract
- Dolphin Conservation in Non-Protected Area Segment of Ganga River
- Conservation Breeding Centre for Wild water buffalo (2020)
- Recovery programme for Snow leopard (2009)
- Recovery programme for Vultures (2006)
- Project Elephant (1992)
- Project Tiger/National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) (1973)

Major Conservation Initiatives

Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats (IDWH):

- ⌚ Financial assistance provided to State/UT Governments for protection and conservation of wildlife
- ⌚ A Centrally Sponsored Scheme

National Wildlife Action Plan (2017-2031)

Guidelines for Eco-tourism in Protected Areas

Human-Wildlife Conflict Mitigation

Wildlife Crime Control Bureau: To combat wildlife-related crimes

Wildlife Division (MoEFCC):

- ⌚ Policy and law for conservation of biodiversity and Protected Area network
- ⌚ Technical and financial support to the State/ UTs under IDHW, Central Zoo Authority and Wildlife Institute of India

India & Collaboration with Global Wildlife Conservation Efforts

- ⌚ Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)
- ⌚ Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS)
- ⌚ Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- ⌚ World Heritage Convention
- ⌚ Ramsar Convention
- ⌚ The Wildlife Trade Monitoring Network (TRAFFIC)
- ⌚ United Nations Forum on Forests (UNFF)
- ⌚ International Whaling Commission (IWC)
- ⌚ International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
- ⌚ Global Tiger Forum (GTF)



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