

Tiger Reserve Buffer Zone Development Scheme

Why in News?

The Madhya Pradesh government has given in-principle approval of Rs 145 crore for the new scheme "Development of Buffer Areas of Tiger Reserves" for the financial years 2025-26 to 2027-28.

Key Points

- About the Scheme:
 - This scheme will be implemented in the buffer areas adjoining the 9 tiger reserves of the state.
 - It aims to reduce <u>human-wildlife conflict</u> and promote environmental sustainability while ensuring the safety of <u>tigers</u> and other wild animals.
 - The following works will be undertaken under the scheme:
 - Chainlink fencing will be constructed in sensitive areas to prevent humanwildlife conflict.
 - Necessary steps will be taken for the protection of wild animals and fire safety
 - Pastures and water sources will be developed so that natural resources are available to animals.
 - Arrangements will be made for treatment and health check-up of wild animals so that the spread of diseases can be prevented.
 - The skills of the local citizens will be upgraded by providing them training so that alternative means of livelihood can be created for them .
- In the last 4 years, the number of tigers in the state has increased from 526 to 785, which is a major achievement in the field of wildlife conservation.

Tiger Reserves of Madhya Pradesh:

	Tiger Reserve	Tiger Reserve Notification Year	
1.	Kanha Tiger Reserve	2007	Mandla & Balaghat
2.	Pench Tiger Reserve	2007	Seoni
3.	Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	2007	Umaria
4.	Satpura Tiger Reserve	2007	Narmadap uram
5.	Panna Tiger Reserve	2007	Panna
6.	Sanjay-Dubri Tiger Reserve	2011	Sidhi
7.	Veerangana Durgavati Tiger	2023	Damoh &

	Reserve		Sagar
8.	Ratapani Tiger Reserve	2024	Raisen & Sehore
9.	Madhav Tiger Reserve	2025	Shivpuri

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