

MP Launches 'Rewilding' Initiative | Madhya Pradesh | 02 Sep 2025 Why in News?

Madhya Pradesh, known as the 'Tiger State,' has launched a groundbreaking initiative called 'Rewilding' under the leadership of Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav.

Key Points:

- About: The 'Rewilding' initiative focuses on the reintroduction of key species into their natural habitats and aims to become a model for wildlife conservation in India.
 - It involves reintroducing both predator and prey species that are vital to the ecosystem but are missing from forests.
 - In their absence, the food chain breaks down and the natural life cycle collapses, disrupting Vision ecological balance.
- Objective:
 - To restore the **balance** to wildlife ecology.
 - To revive extinct and endangered species.
 - To promote biodiversity.
- Implementation: The Forest Department has created a phased rewilding plan to reintroduce swamp deer and other species, focusing on restoring the entire forest ecosystem, including grasslands, riverscapes, and supporting habitats.
 - The mission is being supported by the <u>National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)</u>. the Forest Research Institute, and international experts.
 - Tribal and rural communities are also being engaged, creating opportunities for **eco-tourism** and livelihoods alongside wildlife protection.
- Significance: Rewilding plays a pivotal role in combating climate change, as it enhances carbon storage, reduces carbon footprints, and conserves vital resources like water and soil, thereby protecting natural ecosystems.
 - Beyond ecological benefits, rewilding significantly boosts wildlife tourism, contributing to the local economy, while preserving natural cycles untouched by human intervention.

Indore Gets CII Green City Certification | Madhya Pradesh | 02 Sep 2025

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Indore has become the first city in Madhya Pradesh and one of only three cities in India to receive the CII Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) Green City Platinum Certification.





Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)

hereby certifies that

INDORE CITY

Indore Municipal Corporation, Madhya Pradesh

(IGBC Registration No. GCT 240012)

has successfully achieved the Green City Standards required for the following level of certification under the

IGBC Green Cities Rating System

(Existing City)

Platinum

August 2025

(This certification is valid for next 5 years)



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- Indore's Recognition: The recognition is based on a six-month-long evaluation of detailed data submitted by the administration to IGBC on more than a dozen parameters.
 - The assessment considered the city's initiatives in master planning, water and energy conservation, <u>solid waste management</u>, e-governance, expansion of green cover, and various policy interventions.
- Previous Recipients: Previous recipients of the Green City Platinum Certification by IGBC include:
 - Rajkot Smart City Development Limited (RSCDL)
 - Pune Municipal Corporation
 - Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation
- **IGBC Green Existing Cities:** IGBC Green Cities (Existing Cities) rating system is a voluntary and consensus-based programme.
 - The rating system has been developed with the support of the IGBC Green Cities Committee.
 - The IGBC Green Cities rating system is the first of its kind rating in India to address environmental sustainability in existing cities.
 - The rating system enables the municipalities, municipal corporations, development authorities, and developers to formulate green policy interventions and implement green initiatives at the city scale, so as to reduce environmental impacts that are measurable and improve the overall quality of life.

Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)

- The Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) is a non-profit, member-driven council established in 2001 by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) to promote sustainable building practices in India.
- It provides **green building rating systems, certification services,** and training programs to encourage environmentally responsible construction and design across residential, commercial,

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