



Ranthambore Tiger Reserve

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India is building its **first large-scale animal overpasses** on the Delhi-Mumbai Expressway under the [Bharatmala Pariyojana](#), allowing wildlife to cross safely through the [Ranthambore Tiger Reserve's \(RTR\) buffer zone](#).

- The overpasses are camouflaged with vegetation, and noise barriers to reduce traffic noise, helping protect animal behaviour and movement.
- **Ranthambore Tiger Reserve:** It is located in the Sawai Madhopur district, Rajasthan, nestled between the [Aravalli](#) and [Vindhya](#) hill ranges.
 - RTR includes **Ranthambore National Park, Sawai Madhopur Sanctuary, Keladevi Sanctuary, and part of the National Chambal Gharial Sanctuary.**
 - It is named after the historic **Ranthambore Fort**, a UNESCO World Heritage Site within the reserve.
- **Rivers:** RTR is bound by the **Banas River** in the north and the **Chambal River** in the south.
- **Lakes:** There are many lakes in the RTR named **Padam Talab, Raj Bagh Talab and Malik Talab.**
- **Vegetation:** Predominantly dry deciduous forest and tropical spike type.
- **Fauna:** Home to the **Royal Bengal tiger, leopards, caracals, sambar, chital, chinkara, wild boars**, and several species of birds like sarus crane, serpent eagle, and painted spurfowl.
 - As per the **2023 tiger census**, RTR shelters **71 tigers and cubs**, making it the **third most densely populated tiger reserve** after **Corbett** and **Kaziranga**.
- **Fauna:** Dominated by the **Dhok tree** (*Anogeissus pendula*), and other are **Babul** (*Acacia nilotica*), **Gurjan** (*Lannea coromandelica*), **Gum** (*Sterculia urens*), and **Khair** (*Acacia catechu*).

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