



Dudhwa National Park

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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 **Dudhwa Tiger Reserve** 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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