

Sariska Tiger Roaming in Haryana

Why in News?

A male <u>tiger</u> believed to have strayed from <u>Sariska Tiger Reserve</u> in Rajasthan has been spotted in a village near Masani barrage in Rewari, Haryana.

• The tiger is identified as **ST-2302.**

Key Points

- Forest and wildlife teams from Haryana and Rajasthan are collaboratively tracking the threeyear-old tiger.
 - While monitoring the situation, **authorities are taking precautions to prevent any untoward incidents** in case the tiger ventures into human-inhabited areas.

Sariska Tiger Reserve

- It is **located in <u>Aravali hills</u>** and forms a part of the Alwar District of Rajasthan.
- Sariska was declared a wildlife sanctuary in 1955 and was declared the tiger reserve later in 1978, making it a part of India's <u>Project Tiger</u>.
- Kankarwadi fort is located in the centre of the Reserve and it is said that Mughal emperor Aurangzeb had imprisoned his brother Dara Shikoh at this fort in struggle for succession to the throne.

Note

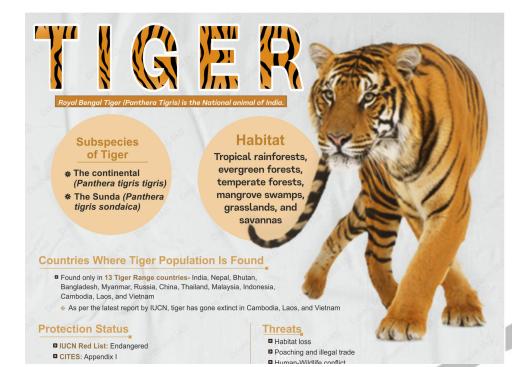
- Kalesar National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary:
 - It is located on the Siwalik foothills. It is contiguous to Rajaji National Park (Uttarakhand) and Simbalbara National Park (Himachal Pradesh).
- Sultanpur National Park:
 - It is a **Ramsar Site** located 15 km from Gurugram.
 - The park is famous for migratory birds.

Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary:

• It is a human-made freshwater wetland.

Other Wildlife Sanctuaries of Haryana:

- Morni Hills (Khol-Hi-Raitan) Wildlife Sanctuary & Bir Shikargarh Wildlife Sanctuary located in the Shivalik hills.
- Chhilchhila Lake Wildlife Sanctuary (Seonthi Reserve Forest) in Kurukshetra district.
- Khaparwas Wildlife Sanctuary in Jhajjar district.



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