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The International Big Cat Alliance is a multi-country, multi-agency coalition aimed at conserving big cat species and their habitats.



Launched by
India (2023)

Headquarters
India

Member states
96 countries

Structure
Consists of Assembly of Members
Standing Committee & Secretariat

FUNCTIONS

- ↳ Secure the future of big cats (Tigers, Lions, Leopards, Snow Leopards, Pumas, Jaguars, and Cheetahs)
- ↳ Mitigate the adverse effects of climate change
- ↳ Advocate for policy initiatives
- ↳ Attain the United Nations-mandated Sustainable Development Goals

THREATS TO BIG CATS

- ↳ Poaching
- ↳ Habitat loss & fragmentation
- ↳ Human-Leopard conflict
- ↳ Climate change & Deforestation

Conservation Status of Big Cats

Species	Scientific Name	IUCN Red List	CITES	Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972
Tigers	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	Endangered	Appendix-I	Schedule-I
Lions	<i>Panthera leo</i>	Vulnerable	Appendix-I	Schedule-I
Leopards	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	Vulnerable	Appendix-I	Schedule-I
Snow Leopards	<i>Panthera uncia</i>	Vulnerable	Appendix-I	Schedule-I
Pumas	<i>Puma concolor</i>	Least Concerned	Appendix II (P. c. Costaricensis and cougar: Appendix-I)	NA
Jaguars	<i>Panthera onca</i>	Near Threatened	Appendix-I	NA
Cheetahs	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	Vulnerable	Appendix-I	Schedule-I

Other Conservation Efforts in India

- Project Tiger (1973)
- Asiatic Lion Reintroduction Project (2004)
- Project Snow Leopard (2009)
- Project Cheetah (2022)



Read More: [Status of Leopards in India 2022](#), [Sustainable Finance for Tiger Landscapes Conference](#)

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