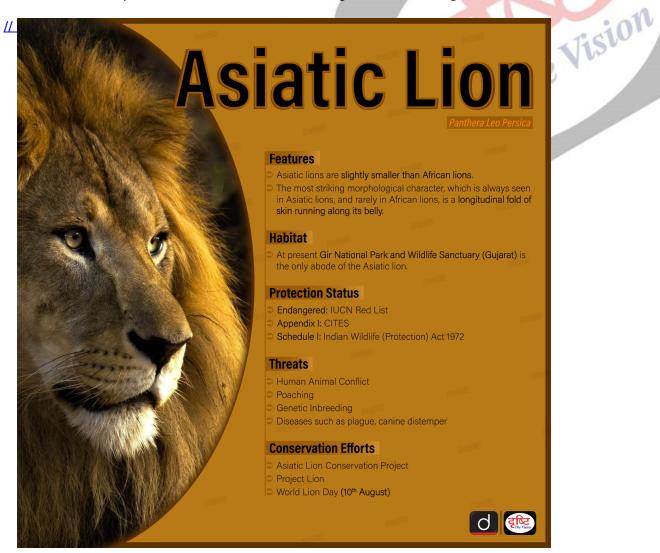


World Lion Day

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<u>World Lion Day</u>, established by Big Cat Rescue and celebrated on **10th August since 2013**, highlights the urgent need for lion conservation due to threats like habitat loss, human-wildlife conflict, and poaching.

- As apex predators, lions control herbivore populations and support ecosystem health, with a lifespan of 10-14 years in the wild and a birth interval of around 2 years.
- In India, the <u>Asiatic lion</u>, a symbol of strength in the national emblem, has seen its **population** increase from 523 in 2015 to about 674 in 2020 due to successful conservation efforts.
- Launched on 15th August 2020, 'Project Lion' aims to secure the future of Asiatic lions through habitat improvement, advanced monitoring, and addressing human-wildlife conflict.



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