



Tiger Reserves to Remain Closed Till October

Why in News?

According to the sources, **six tiger reserves in Madhya Pradesh have closed their core zones** to the public and tourists.

- The reserves affected by this seasonal closure include [Bandhavgarh](#), [Kanha](#), [Pench](#), [Satpura](#), [Panna](#), and [Sanjay-Dubri](#).

Key Points

- One of the primary reasons the [national parks](#) are closed is that the [monsoon season](#) is a critical time for **tigers and tigresses** as they mate and prefer solitude.
 - Any disturbance during this period can cause these majestic animals to become aggressive.
 - This undisturbed period is essential for maintaining healthy tiger populations and supporting [conservation efforts](#).

Bandhavgarh National Park:

- Known for its high density of **Bengal tigers**, Bandhavgarh National Park is one of the most popular **tiger reserves in India**. It also houses various other [wildlife species](#) such as **leopards, deer, and numerous bird species**.

Kanha National Park:

- Famous for its diverse wildlife and lush landscapes, Kanha National Park **inspired Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book**. It is renowned for its significant population of **Bengal tigers**, as well as [barasingha \(swamp deer\)](#) and other species of deer.

Pench National Park:

- Located on the border of Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra, **Pench National Park is famous for its dense forests and diverse wildlife**. Visitors can spot tigers, leopards, sloth bears, and a variety of bird species.

Satpura National Park:

- It is characterised by its rugged terrain, **deep valleys, and dense forests**. It offers a unique experience of exploring the wilderness through jeep safaris, boat rides, and walking trails, allowing visitors to encounter wildlife like tigers, leopards, and sloth bears.

Panna National Park:

- It is renowned for its efforts in [tiger conservation](#) and is home to a significant population of these majestic cats. The park also boasts a rich biodiversity, including various species of **deer**,

antelope, and birds.

Sanjay National Park:

- This national park, located in the **Chhattisgarh-Madhya Pradesh border region**, is known for its pristine forests and diverse flora and fauna. It is a **part of the Sanjay-Dubri Tiger Reserve** and provides habitat for **tigers, leopards, and other wildlife**.

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