



New Tiger Reserve in Chhattisgarh

Why in News?

Recently, The Chhattisgarh government decided to declare a new [tiger reserve](#) covering areas of [Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla wildlife sanctuary](#) in the state.

- This will be the fourth tiger reserve in the state.

Key Points

- Creation of the tiger reserve will lead to the development of eco-tourism and generate employment opportunities for villagers living in its core and buffer areas.
 - As per the recommendation of [State Wildlife Board](#) and the consent of [National Tiger Conservation Authority \(NTCA\)](#), [Union Ministry of Forest and Climate Change](#), the cabinet has decided to notify Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve in an area of 2,829.387 sq km.
- Currently, the state has three tiger reserves - [Indravati \(in Bijapur district\)](#), [Udanti-Sitanadi \(Gariaband\)](#) and [Achanakmar \(Mungeli\)](#).

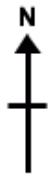
Guru Ghasidas National Park

- **About:**
 - Named after **the Satnami reformist, Guru Ghasidas**, is the result of the carving of Chhattisgarh from Madhya Pradesh in the year of 2000. It is located in the Koriya district of Chhattisgarh.
 - The park has **undulating topography** and it falls under the **Tropical climate zone**.
- **Biodiversity:**
 - **Flora:** The vegetation consists mainly of mixed deciduous forest with teak, sal and bamboo trees.
 - **Fauna:** [Tiger](#), [Leopard](#), Chital, Nilgai, [Chinkara](#), [Jackal](#), Sambar, Four-horned Antelope etc.

Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary

- **About:**
 - It is **located in the Surajpur district of Chhattisgarh** bordering Uttar Pradesh. It is named after **Tamor hill and Pingla Nalla**.
 - Tamor hill and Pingla Nalla are considered to be the old and prominent features of the sanctuary area.
- **Biodiversity:**
 - **Flora: Mixed deciduous forests dominate the sanctuary.** Sal and bamboo forests are seen all through.
 - **Fauna:** Tigers, Elephants, leopards, bears, sambar deer, blue bulls, chital, bison and many such animals are found here.

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