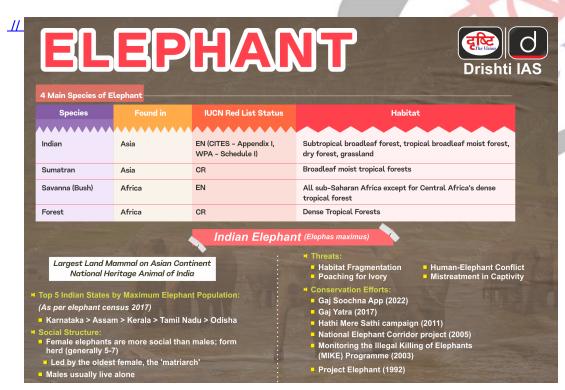


World Elephant Day

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<u>World Elephant Day</u> is celebrated every year on the **12**th **August** to bring awareness to the status of Asian and African elephants in the wild.

- The theme for 2024 is "Personifying prehistoric beauty, theological relevance, and environmental importance".
- India is home to about 60% of the world's Asian elephant population, with an estimated 27,312 individuals as per the 2017 census and 138 identified elephant corridors.
- Elephants have a gestation period of about 22 months, the longest of any land animal.
- Asian elephants(Indian) are classified as **Endangered** on the <u>IUCN Red List</u> due to habitat loss, human-elephant conflict, and poaching.



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