



## Madhya Pradesh once again became Tiger State

### Why in News?

On the occasion of International Tiger Day on July 29, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan said that Madhya Pradesh has the highest number of 785 tigers in the country, due to which the state has again got the status of tiger State.

### Key Points:

- The number of tigers in Madhya Pradesh has increased from 526 to 785 in the last four years. It is followed by Karnataka (563) in second place and Uttarakhand (560) in third place.
- Madhya Pradesh is also a leader in other areas besides the tiger state. Madhya Pradesh is also a leopard and crocodile state. The state is also ahead in the number of vultures and wolves.
- On this occasion, a film focusing on Satpura Tiger Reserve on tiger conservation in the state was shown. The Chief Minister gave away mementoes to the cast of the film.
- Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan gave away certificates to the government servants of the Forest Department for their outstanding work. Survival kits were also given to the forest department employees. The Chief Minister also launched the e-ticketing and mobile app of Van Vihar National Park Bhopal.
- With this app, tourists will now get the facility to book tickets online from home. Information about various programs and activities of the Forest Department will be available on the app.
- On the occasion, the Chief Minister released three books including Report of International Wildlife Conference, State Wildlife Action Plan and Fifth Birds Survey Report of Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary (Mandsaur).



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