

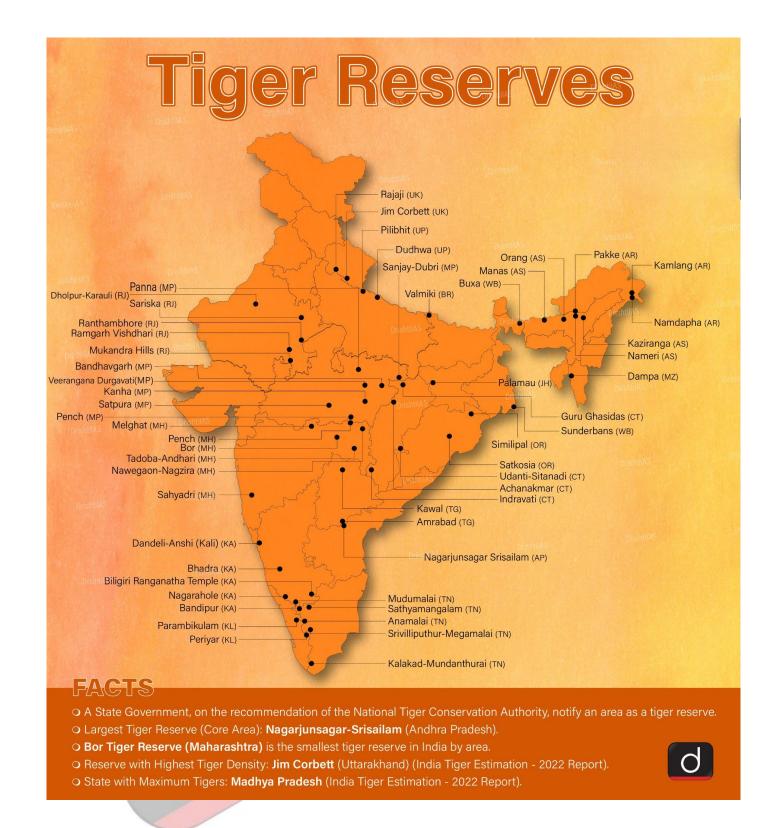
Parambikulam Tiger Reserve

Source: TH

A faunal survey at the **Parambikulam Tiger Reserve (TR)** in Kerala highlighted **key species** present in the reserve.

- Important species:
 - Birds: Rufus-bellied hawk-eagle, <u>Indian grey hornbill</u>, <u>Great Indian hornbill</u>, <u>Ceylon frogmouth</u> etc.
 - **Butterfly:** Five-bar swordtail, **Spot swordtail**, Southern birdwing (India's second largest butterfly species), **Nilgiri tiger** etc.
 - Others: Leopards, Lion-tailed macaques, <u>Smooth-coated otters</u>.
- About Parambikulam TR: It is located in the Palakkad and Thrissur districts of Kerala and declared a <u>Tiger Reserve</u> in 2009 under <u>Project Tiger</u>.
 - It is a well-preserved ecological area within the Nelliampathy-Anamalai landscape of the Southern Western Ghats in India.
 - It is home to the **world's first scientifically managed** teak plantation and boasts the largest and oldest teak tree, named **Kannimara**.
 - The Parambikulam, Sholayar, and Thekkady rivers flow through the reserve.

//



Read More: Early Migration of Butterflies