

ENDANGERED SPECIES OF BANDIPUR NATIONAL PARK

Bandipur National Park is located in Gundlupet Taluk, Chamarajanagar District, Karnataka State. It is one of the original Tiger reserves, endowed with a moderate climate and diverse geographical features. The Park supports a remarkable variety of flora and fauna, making it a veritable paradise for wild life.

Some Endangered Animal species of the National Park listed below:



Scientific Name	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>
Common Name	Indian Tiger
Habitat	Tropical Rain forests, Evergreen forests, Grasslands, Savannas.
Habit	Carnivorous, feed on Deers, Pigs, Goats etc.
Body Weight	Adult Males-220 kg, Adult Females-140 kg
Imp. Feature	Dark vertical stripes on Reddish Orange fur on the body.

Scientific Name	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>
Common Name	Indian Pea Fowl
Habitat	Temperate and Evergreen forests
Habit	Omnivorous, feed on plants and also insects
Imp. Feature	Eye spotted tail cover feathers which, displays as a part of courtship.



Scientific Name	<i>Tetracerus quadricornis</i>
Common Name	Four horned antelope.
Habitat	Gangetic plain and Gir National Park
Habit	Herbivorous, feed on soft leaves and fruits.
Body Weight	17-22 kg in Males.
Imp. Feature	Only males grow permanent horns

Scientific Name	<i>Melursus ursinus</i>
Common Name	Sloth bear
Habitats	Grasslands or in the Humid regions.
Habit	Insectivorous, feed on termites and honey bee colonies
Imp. Feature	Very good sense of smelling



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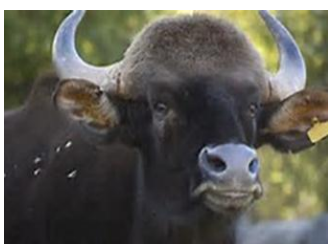
Scientific Name *Elephas maximus.*
Common Name Indian Elephant
Habitat Savannas, Forests, Marshes
Habit Herbivorous, feed on fruits, leaves, shoots etc.
Imp. Feature Long trunk named Proboscis ,and incisors are modified into Tusks.

Scientific Name *Python molurus*
Common Name Indian Python
Habitat Tropical rain forests
Habit Carnivorous, like cats, dog, primates
Body Length 15ft-25ft long



Scientific Name *Panther pardus*
Common Name Black Panther
Habitat Forests, Swamplands, and Grasslands
Habit Carnivorous, feed on other animals
Body weight 36 kg-160 kg both in males and females.
Imp. Feature Bright emerald green eyes.

Scientific Name *Crocodylus palustris*
Common Name Crocodile
Habitat Shallow water, rivers and swamps.
Habit Carnivorous, feed on vertebrates.
Imp. Feature They have acute senses and very good night vision.



Scientific Name *Bos gaurus*
Common Name Indian Bison
Habitat Ever green forests and deciduous forests
Habit Herbivorous, feed on plants and grasses.
Imp. Feature Whitish stockings

REASONS FOR EXTINCTION OF THESE SPECIES.

1. Habitat loss, pollution, overgrazing, increased urbanisation, mining etc.
2. Possible transmission of diseases from domestic animals to wild life.
3. Gaurs are killed by rinderpest disease.
4. Invasion of weeds, introduction of exotic species.
5. Indiscriminate hunting.