

Nagarjunasagar Srisaïlam Tiger Reserve

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- The Nagarjunasagar Srisaïlam Tiger Reserve's tiger population is increasing (NSTR)
- The National Tiger Reserve of India (NSTR) is the country's largest.
- In Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, the reserve spans five districts: Kurnool, Prakasam, Guntur, Nalgonda, and Mahbubnagar.
- 75 percent of the world's tigers are found in India.
- It was notified in the year of 1978 and came under the protection of Project Tiger in 1983. In 1992, it was retitled as Rajiv Gandhi Wildlife Sanctuary.

Geographical Aspects

- The Tiger Reserve is located in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana and spans five districts. The Nallamala Hills dominate the landscape.
- The reserve contains the multipurpose reservoirs Srisaïlam and Nagarjunasagar.
- The Krishna River runs through the reserve's basin.

Fauna

- It is home to a diverse range of wild animals.
- Many other animals, including leopards, rusty-spotted cats, pangolins, Mugger Crocodiles, Indian Rock Pythons, and innumerable bird species, can be found here, in addition to the Bengal Tiger, which is the apex predator.

Flora

- A wide range of trees, from tropical dry mixed deciduous forest in the south to southern thorn forest in the south.
- This region is also home to a diverse range of shrubs and bamboo thickets.
- The main types of forest biomes in the reserve are: southern tropical dry mixed deciduous forest, Hardwickia forest and Deccan thorn scrub forests with much Euphorbia scrub.
- Important plant species here are: Anogeissus latifolia (axlewood), Cleistanthus collinus (odcha), Terminalia spp., Pterocarpus marsupium, Hardwickia binata (anjan tree), Boswellia serrata (Indian frankincense or salai), Tectona grandis (teak), Mundulea sericea and Albizia spp. (silkplants)

Project Tiger

- Project Tiger is a Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change-sponsored scheme that began in 1973.
- Aim of providing central assistance to tiger states for tiger conservation in India's declared tiger reserves.
- The National Tiger Conservation Authority is in charge of the project (NTCA)