

Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary

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In news—The Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary in Rajasthan was notified as India's 52nd tiger reserve recently.

About the Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary-

- **In 1982, it was declared as Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary** under Section 5 of the Rajasthan Wild Animals and Birds Protection Act, 1951.
- Currently, the sanctuary acts as a cushion for the Ranthambore National Park.
- The newly notified tiger reserve **includes the tiger habitat between Ranthambore Tiger Reserve in the northeast and Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve on the southern side.**



- It is **Rajasthan's fourth tiger reserve after Ranthambore, Sariska and Mukundra.**
- The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) **had given in-principle approval to make Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary and adjoining areas as tiger reserves on July 5 2021.**
- Wild animals like Indian wolf, leopard, striped hyena, sloth bear, golden jackal, chinkara, nilgai and fox can be seen.
- Khair, Salar, Khirni, Dhok, Mango and Ber are some of

the important trees found in the region.

Tiger reserves in India-

- The tiger reserves of India were set up in 1973 and are governed by Project Tiger, which is administrated by the National Tiger Conservation Authority.
- Currently, there are 53 tiger reserves in the country.
- Srivilliputhur – Megamalai (2021), Ramgarh Vishdhari (2021) and Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary (2021) are 51st, 52nd and 53rd tiger reserves respectively.