

Nawegaon Nagzira Tiger Reserve (NNTR)

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About Navegaon-Nagzira Tiger Reserve (NNTR):

- **Location:** It spans 653.67 sq.km. across the Gondia and Bhandara districts of **Maharashtra**.
- It is located in the heart of the **central Indian Tiger Landscape**, which contributes almost 1/6 of the total tiger population of the country.
- Declared a tiger reserve in 2013, it is the fifth tiger reserve in Maharashtra.
- NNTR is comprised of the notified areas of Nawegaon National Park, Nawegaon Wildlife Sanctuary, Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary, New Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary, and Koka Wildlife Sanctuary.
- It has **linkages with Kanha, Pench, and Tadoba Tiger Reserves**.
- **Topography:** The topography is undulating, and the highest point, viz. 'Zenda Pahad', is around 702 m above Mean Sea Level.
- **Vegetation:** **Southern Tropical Dry Deciduous**
- **Flora:** There are 364 species of plants, and the major trees are: **Terminalia tomentosa**, **Lagerstroemia parviflora**, *Anogeisus lotifolia*, *Pterocarpus marsupium*, *Diospyrus melanoxylon*, *Ougeinia oogenesis*, etc.

- **Fauna:** The major wild animals are: **Tiger, Panther, Small Indian Civet, Palm Civet, Wolf**, Jackal, Wild Dog, **Sloth Bear**, Ratel, **Common Giant Flying Squirrel**, Gaur, Sambar, Chital, Four Horned Antelope, Mouse Deer, and **Pangolin**.
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Q1: What is a Tiger Reserve?

Tiger Reserve is a legally declared protected area dedicated to the conservation of striped big cats. A tiger reserve, on the other hand, could be a national park or wildlife sanctuary. The Sariska Tiger Reserve, for example, is also a national park.

Source: **Nagzira's dominant tiger, T9, killed in fight for territory**

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