

Gangotri National Park

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Recently the Gangotri National Park reopened after a six-month winter break.

About Gangotri National Park

- **Location:** It is located in the **state of Uttarakhand**.
- It sits along the **upper catchment of the Bhagirathi River**.
- **International boundary:** The northeastern section of the park forms the international boundary of **India and Tibet** (China).
- The area enclosed by the park also borders **Kedarnath Wildlife Sanctuary and Govind National Park**.
- The mountains in the park are part of the Gangotri Group of the **Garhwal Himalayas**, which are a subrange of the eastern Himalayas.
- **Important Peaks:** Major peaks within the park include **Chaukhamba I, Satopanth, Chaukhamba II, Chaukhamba III, and Kedarnath Main**.

- The famous Gangotri Glacier is located in the park boundaries and is known for being one of the primary sources of the Ganges.
- **Flora:** Western Himalayan subalpine conifer forests dominate the lower elevation landscapes. These forests are filled with fir trees intermixed with **deodar, oak, spruce, and rhododendron trees.**
 - **Higher elevations** in the park are home to **Western Himalayan alpine shrubs.**
- **Fauna:** It is mainly home to Snow leopard, brown bear, blue sheep, musk deer, Asian black bear, and the Himalayan tahr etc.

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