

Black Stork

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About Black Stork

- The black stork (*Ciconia nigra*) is a large bird in the stork family Ciconiidae
- Habitat: It breeds in swampy coniferous and mixed forests.
- It can also be found in grasslands, agricultural fields, and on the margins of lakes and rivers during winter.
- It is a long-distance migrant, with European populations wintering in tropical Sub-Saharan Africa, and Asian populations in the Indian subcontinent.
- Distribution: It is mainly found in Europe, Asia and African countries.
- Conservation status
 - IUCN: Least concern

Key facts about Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary

- It is located in the state of Uttar Pradesh.
 - It lies alongside the northern tip of the River Ganga, flowing through the districts of Muzaffarnagar and Bijnor.
 - Flora: It has a variety of landforms and is a mixture of different habitats such as wetlands, marshes, dry sand beds and gently sloping ravines.
 - Fauna: Swamp Deer, Leopard, Wild Cats, Wild Otter, Pythons etc.
 - It is a part of the “Asia Flyway” project, and many migratory Birds, both local and foreign, flock in numbers near the numerous water bodies present in the region.
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Q1) What is Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals?

It is often referred to as the “Bonn Convention.” It is an international treaty aimed at conserving migratory species of wild animals and their habitats. The convention focuses on the conservation of species that migrate across international borders, as these species face unique challenges and require international cooperation for their protection.

Source: Black Stork spotted for 1st time in Hastinapur

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