

National Endangered Species Day

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About National Endangered Species Day

- It is observed to **create awareness** about the consequences of human activities and what we can do to save endangered species.
- Every year, National Endangered Species Day is observed on the third Friday of the month of May.
- **History**
 - In the year 2006, **David Robinson** and the **Endangered Species Coalition** established National Endangered Species Day to be celebrated every year to urge people to contribute to the safety and protection of endangered species.
 - According to the International Union for Conservation of Nature, forty percent of animals, insects and plants on this planet are at risk of extinction.
- The **theme for the year 2024**: Celebrate Saving Species.
- **Significance**
 - The day promotes conservation efforts and encourages individuals and organisations to participate in activities that help protect endangered species.
 - This includes habitat restoration, supporting conservation laws, and advocating for stronger environmental policies.

Q1: World Wildlife Fund (WWF)?

It is an international non-governmental organization (NGO) founded in 1961 in Morges, Switzerland, to protect endangered species of wildlife and preserve natural habitats.

Source: [National Endangered Species Day 2024: Date, history, significance and all that you need to know](#)

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