

Garudakshi Portal for Wildlife and Forest Crimes

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About Garudakshi Portal:

- It is **software modelled** on the online FIR system to curb wildlife and forests crimes.
- It will be implemented on a pilot basis in the Bengaluru Urban, Bhadravathi, Sirsi and Male Mahadeshwara Wildlife Sanctuary divisions of Karnataka.
- Once the software is implemented, registering FIRs using the Garudakshi portal will be made compulsory.
- It will enable the online handling of forest crime cases under the Forest and Wildlife Protection Acts.
- The portal will auto-generate formats for various reports and complaints.
- **Features**
 - The software consists of a **Legacy Case Registration Module**, Online Forest Offence Registration, Investigation Module and Reporting and Analytics Module.
 - The portal will also allow the **public to register complaints on forest offences** using mobile phones or email addresses.
- It is developed in collaboration with the **WildLife Trust of India (WTI)**.

Q1: What is Wildlife Trust of India?

It is a non-profit conservation organisation, committed to urgent action that works towards the protection of India's wildlife. It was formed in November 1998, in response to the rapidly deteriorating condition of the country's wildlife.

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