

## Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary

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### Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary Latest News

Tribal students and residents of Kannampadi within the Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary are about to open a new chapter in their life, with three new libraries set to open in the tribal settlement.

### About Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary

- **Location:** It is located in the **state of Kerala**.
- It covers forests surrounding the **Idukki Arch Dam**.
- **Terrain:** The terrain of the sanctuary is characterized by steep **mountains, valleys, and hills**.
- **Topography:** Altitude ranging from 450 to 1272 m. The highest peak is **Vanjur Medu** (1272 m).
- **Rivers:** The major rivers flowing through the area are **Periyar and Cheruthoniar**.
- **Rainfall:** Average rainfall is 3800 mm.
- **Vegetation:** West Coast Tropical Evergreen forests, Semi Evergreen forests, Moist Deciduous Forests, Hill shoals, and Grasslands.

## Flora and Fauna of Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary

- Forests are essentially dense teak, rosewood, jackfruit, ebony, cinnamon, and diverse bamboo species.
- It is home to Elephants, bison, sambar deer, wild dogs, jungle cats, tiger, wild boar etc apart from various species of **snakes** including cobra, viper, krait, etc.
- Birds include jungle fowl, myna, **laughing thrush, black bulbul**, peafowl, woodpecker, kingfisher, etc.
- It is home to the endangered species of **the Nilgiri Tahr**

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