

Surinsar-Mansar Wildlife Sanctuary

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The Jammu and Kashmir Government has constituted a Divisional Level Committee to monitor the Eco-Sensitive Zone around the Surinsar-Mansar Wildlife Sanctuary.

About Surinsar-Mansar Wildlife Sanctuary

- It is located in the Union Territory of **Jammu and Kashmir**.
- It is named after the twin lakes i.e. **Surinsar and Mansar** situated almost at two corners of the sanctuary separated by 16 km distance from each other.
- The Sanctuary spreads over three districts vis-à-vis Jammu, Udhampur and Samba. The major part of the sanctuary falls in the **Jammu District**.
- Surinsar and Mansar lakes are included in the list of **Ramsar sites in 2005**.
- The area forms one of the important **catchments of river Tawi**.
- **Topography:** The topography of the area is hilly with moderate to steep slopes interspersed with small drainage nallas.

- **Vegetation:** Northern dry mixed deciduous forests, Himalayan Sub-tropical Scrub Forests, Himalayan subtropical Pine Forest, Lower Siwalik Chir Pine forest, Dodonea scrub forests.
- **Fauna:** The sanctuary is home of many important species including Blue bull/ Nilgai, Jackal, Indian barking deer, Leopard, Wild boar, Fox.
- **Flora:** The principal species are Pinus roxburgii, Acacia catechu, Lannea grandi, Mallotus philipensis, Cassia fistula, Zizyphus jujuba, Dalbergia sissoo, Emblica officinalis.

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