

Male Mahadeshwara Wildlife Sanctuary

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Another 12-year-old male tiger was brutally hunted, dismembered, and buried at Male Mahadeshwara Wildlife Sanctuary recently, four months after a previous poisoning incident.

About Male Mahadeshwara Hills Wildlife Sanctuary

- It is located at the **intersection of the Western and the Eastern Ghats** and falls in the Chamarajanagara District of **Karnataka**.
- It was declared a wildlife sanctuary in 2013.
- It is **contiguous to Biligiri Rangaswamy Temple (BRT) Tiger Reserve, Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, and the Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary**.
- It's the home of the famous **Male Mahadeshwara Temple**, dedicated to **Lord Shiva**, known here as Mahadeshwara.
- Male Mahadeshwara Hills is **bound by the Kaveri River to the northeast** and by the **Palar River to the south**.

- **Vegetation:** The forests of MM Hills Wildlife Sanctuary are principally of the **dry deciduous type**, degrading to scrub forest in the fringe areas, and are interspersed with **patches of moist deciduous, semi-evergreen, evergreen and shola forests** occurring at varying altitudes.
- **Flora:** Anogeissus latifolia, Boswellia serrata, Hardwickia binata and Chloroxylon swietenia etc.
- **Fauna:**
 - It is home to several animals, including **elephants, Indian bison, wild dogs**, leopards, foxes, sambars, spotted deer, and many species of birds.
 - It is also a tiger habitat noted for its **increasing number of tigers**.

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