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Recently, the Director of **Kaziranga National Park** and Tiger Reserve has received the Kenton R. Miller Award, constituted by the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA).

About IUCN's World Commission on Protected Areas

- IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas is **one of six technical commissions** of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).
- It was **established in 1948** as a global network dedicated to the **conservation of nature and the sustainable use of natural resources**.
- **Functions:** It specializes in protected **area governance**, management, and policy, supporting the creation and effective management of protected areas globally, **including national parks, reserves, and marine protected areas**.

Key Facts about Kenton R. Miller Award

- It was **established in 2006**.
- It is presented **every two years** by the IUCN-WCPA for **Innovation in National Parks and Protected Area Sustainability**.
- It was named after a former Director General of the IUCN.
- The award recognises **individuals or teams** whose innovations in planning, management, finance, governance, monitoring, capacity building, and communication have a significant impact and peer recognition without prior international awards.
- The Kenton Miller Award comes with a US **\$5,000 cash prize**.

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