

Dholpur-Karauli Tiger Reserve

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Dholpur-Karauli Tiger Reserve Latest News

The Rajasthan Forest and environment minister recently said in the Assembly that residents of villages in Dholpur-Karauli Tiger Reserve (DTR) will not be displaced without their consent.

About Dholpur-Karauli Tiger Reserve

- It is located in the **eastern part of Rajasthan**, spanning across the Dholpur and Karauli districts.
- It **shares ecological continuity with the Ranthambhore Tiger Reserve to the west** and lies close to the **Chambal River on the east**, which serves as a natural boundary and water source for the region.
- It was officially declared in 2023, becoming **Rajasthan's fifth tiger reserve** and **India's 54th tiger reserve**.
- It covers an approximate area of 1,111 sq.km.
- The terrain is characterised by **undulating plateaus, rugged hills, ravines, and dry deciduous forests, typical of the Aravalli and Vindhyan ranges**.

- **Vegetation:** The vegetation primarily consists of **dry deciduous** forests, interspersed with **grassy patches, thorny shrubs**, and riverine belts.
- **Flora:** Some of the common tree species found here include:
 - **Dhok** (*Anogeissus pendula*) – the **dominant tree species** across much of the reserve.
 - **Khair** (*Acacia catechu*)
 - **Tendu** (*Diospyros melanoxylon*)
 - **Babool** (*Acacia nilotica*)
- **Fauna:**
 - The reserve hosts **tiger, leopard, sloth bear**, Indian wolf, striped hyena, herbivores such as **spotted deer, sambar, nilgai**, chinkara, and wild boar, and small mammals including **Indian hare, porcupine and jungle cat**.
 - More than 250 species of birds have been documented here.

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