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FROM MEMBER SECRETARY'S DESK



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Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative launched by the Government of India to commemorate 75 years of progressive India and to enable Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi's pioneering vision of building a new 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat' by the year 2022. In this issue we focus on the activities undertaken by National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) to celebrate this monumental occasion.

'India for Tigers-A Rally on Wheels' was launched with the twin objective of commemorating 75 years of India's independence and spreading the message of biodiversity conservation. Inaugurated on 2nd October 2021, 'India for Tigers-A Rally on Wheels' was a grand success and had a multiplier effect on people from different walks of life. The rally journeyed across 51 tiger reserves, 18 tiger range states, covered a distance of over 75000 km in 7 days and mobilized over 75000 people PAN India across tiger landscapes.

I congratulate the field directors and associated staff of 51 tiger reserves for their exemplary participation and contribution towards the success of the event.

I am optimistic that readers will find this issue informative. Happy reading!



Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav 2021 Celebration



'Tiger is not only a charismatic species, its presence is vital to regulating and perpetuating ecological processes. On #GandhiJayanti flagged off 'India for Tigers - A Rally on Wheels' in which all 51 Tiger Reserves will be participating at landscape level.

Shri Bhupendra Yadav
Hon'ble Minister of Environment,
Forest and Climate Change



प्रधान मंत्री
Prime Minister

MESSAGE

Our nation has been blessed with Nature's bounty aplenty – from the mighty Himalayas in the north to the deep oceans in the south, the deserts in the west to the dense rain forests in the east. The beautiful landscape is home to an array of diverse wildlife, as well as rich flora and fauna.

Peaceful co-existence with nature, wildlife conservation and compassion for all forms of life are deeply ingrained in our socio-cultural ethos. Protection of animals and nature is reflected through the laws and regulations and also enshrined in our Constitution.

Our Government has taken several steps to further environment conservation and wildlife protection. During the last seven years, we have extended our Protected Area network, increasing the Protected Areas in our country from 745 to 981, covering an area of 1, 71, 921 sq km. Our conservation efforts have contributed towards increasing the population of wild animals including tigers, lions and elephants.

Wildlife conservation faces challenges such as poaching, illegal trade of wildlife and man-animal conflict. Such issues can be resolved only through collective and coordinated efforts by local communities, as well as Central and State Governments, including various stakeholders.

The actions that we take today will help preserve our natural resources for posterity and secure a greener, cleaner future for generations to come.

The Wildlife Week being observed from October 02-08, 2021 coincides with the birth anniversary of Pujya Bapu. Let us draw inspiration from the occasion to renew the commitment to protect our wildlife and its habitat with a new zeal and fresh energy.

Greetings and best wishes for all success of the Wildlife Week celebration.

(Narendra Modi)

New Delhi
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MESSAGE

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, an initiative of the Government of India, under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi, celebrates and commemorates 75 years of progressive India and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements.

The *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav* is an intensive, country wide campaign that focusses on citizen participation, to be converted into a 'Janandolan', where small changes, at the local level, will add up to significant national gains.

Our country is endowed with rich bio-diversity. While traversing our journey towards development & well-being, we have taken steps towards conservation and protection of environment and our forests. Similarly, proactive steps are being taken for conservation of water bodies, control & abatement of pollution, switching over to new & renewable energy, harnessing solar power etc.

Public participation in adoption of green good practices, i.e. environmental-friendly practices promises to play an important role in this nationwide campaign. Further, industries and organizations are mandated to follow and adhere to environment-friendly norms.

During 4th - 10th October, 2021, as we celebrate *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*, I take pleasure in appealing to all the stakeholders, i.e. the industry, organizations, educational institutions, local bodies and people from all walks of life to adopt, participate & encourage others to spread awareness about the need for the protection and conservation of environment. Let us adopt environment friendly practices & make them our habit.

The Ministry has planned a number of activities in different areas throughout the country especially in important areas, viz., (i) aforestation, (ii) conservation of water bodies (wetlands and lakes), (iii) discouraging single use of plastic, and (iv) rallies in & around tiger reserves, etc. I appeal to all the people to undertake activities in all these areas in their region collectively and individually to make this movement a grand success. Let us whole heartedly participate in such programs, undertake shramdaan, discuss & deliberate on the possible approach, share experiences & success stories through discussions, debates through virtual media or otherwise. Let us share the activities, photographs, success stories on various platforms in print, virtual & social media so that overall our brethren & sisters are benefitted from rich experiences.

During this period competitions may be organized in different fields viz photography, quizzes, debates, nukkad natak, etc. where people of different age groups participate.

I have no doubt that together we all can envision India of tomorrow, the India which will merge the best of tradition with the most modern, global outlook to enable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of activating India 2.0, fuelled by the spirit of *Atmanirbhar Bharat*.

With best wishes.

(Bhupender Yadav)

Date: 05.10.2021

Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav

Celebrating 75 years of India's Independence



To commemorate the 75th anniversary of Indian independence on 15th August 2022, the Government of India has planned to celebrate ‘Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav’ an intensive, country wide campaign which will focus on citizen participation, to be converted into a 'Janandolan', where small changes, at the local level, will add up to significant national gains. The official journey of “Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav” 75 week countdown to our 75th anniversary of Independence commenced on 12th March, 2021 and will culminate post a year on 15th August, 2023.

To celebrate this monumental occasion, The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) had undertaken the following activities:

- India for Tigers – A Rally on Wheel
- Synchronized Pan India Protection Patrol in Tiger Reserves
- Awareness and Outreach activities to promote tiger conservation



India for Tigers: A Rally on Wheels

Joining India's Tiger dots...



India for Tigers 'A Rally on Wheels'

2nd-8th October 2021

Tiger is not only a charismatic species, its presence is vital in regulating and perpetuating ecological processes which makes it an umbrella species. Its protection also conserves habitats of several other species and thereby ensures continuity of the natural evolutionary process in the wild. It thrives as a keystone species, the basis on which the integrity of the ecosystem is maintained. Moreover, it is equally a creature that prowls the human imagination and has woven itself intricately into the cultural fabric of all those who share its native range across Asia. Since tiger is at the apex of the biological pyramid, its conservation is possible only if its whole habitat and ecosystem are protected. Presently, India has more than 70% of the world's total tiger population, yet there is an increasingly uncertain future of tigers in the country.

The risk of reduction in numbers for wild tigers persists due to poaching, hunting, illegal trade and land use changes. If tigers in India are to survive this century and beyond, their habitat needs to be protected and restored immediately. Furthermore, there is an urgent need for a sustained support from various stakeholders including government agencies, private business sectors and communities in the field of tiger conservation.

'India for Tigers-A Rally on Wheels' was organized under the aegis of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav from 2nd October- 8th October 2021 and had a twin objective of celebrating India's 75 years of independence and spreading the message of biodiversity conservation under the ambit of Project Tiger. All 51 tiger reserves participated at landscape level and myriad of events throughout the rally saw an active involvement of diverse range of stakeholders.

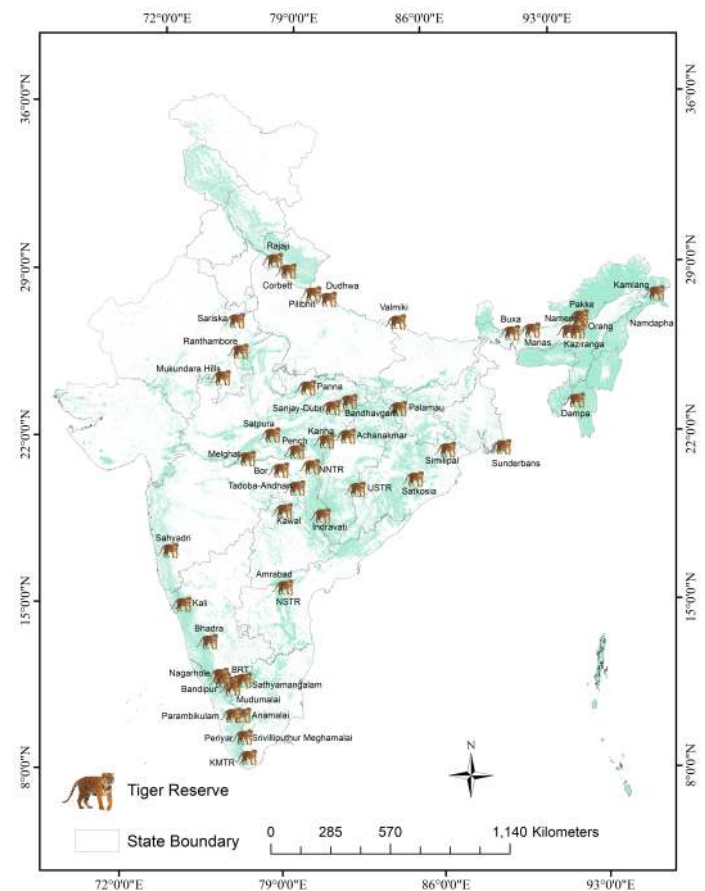
Local Members of Parliament, Members of Legislative Assembly and Jila Parishad, school/college students, representatives from Non-Government Organization, media persons, locals, Eco-Development Communities, Joint Forrest Management Committees and Self Help Groups etc. were invited from respective tiger reserves to be a part of 'India for Tigers-A Rally on Wheels' event.



The outreach activities not only showcased the overarching presence of tiger which is deep rooted in our culture, mythology, history and literature but also highlighted the necessity to conserve and protect forests, land and water. Moreover, the activities also focused on the immediate need to manage the environment and the prevailing climate change situation.



The rally journeyed across 51 tiger reserves, 18 tiger range states, covering over 7500 km in 7 days and mobilizing over 75000 people PAN India across tiger landscapes. The mega events took place at Palamau, Sundarbans, Similipal, Corbett, Manas, Bandipur, Melghat, Kanha and Ranthambore, representing our country's initial nine Tiger Reserves designated during the inception of The Project Tiger in 1973. These nine tiger reserves were the focal points of mega celebration.



Field Directors, Deputy Directors and Associated Staff from respective tiger reserves followed the assigned routes and united at the designated focal point for the mega celebration.

The following activities were made a part of the mega celebration:

- Felicitation of Retired Foresters and families of martyred Foresters for their contribution



towards the conservation of forests and wildlife.



- ‘Amrit Petika’ (Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav feedback box) was kept at each focal point of mega celebration to encourage local public to give feedback/ opinion related to the topics concerning forest protection, climate change, wildlife conservation, environment, poaching etc.



- ‘Tiger Pledge’ administered as part of the event
- Local people including school children actively participated in various outreach activities such as folk dances, painting and quiz competitions, interactive sessions with forest officials.

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Glimpses of 'India for Tigers: A Rally on Wheels'



Sundarban Tiger Reserve - School kids participating in 'India for Tigers A Rally on Wheels'



Nagarjunsagar-Srisaillam Tiger Reserve Field Director handing over the NTCA flag to Amrabad Tiger Reserve



Forest officials and dignitaries at Orang Tiger Reserve, Assam



Anamalai Tiger Reserve forest officials marching with the NTCA flag



Handing over NTCA flag to Bandipur Tiger Reserve Field Director



'India for Tigers - A Rally on Wheels' at Bandipur Tiger Reserve, Karnataka



Local communities participating 'India for Tigers-A Rally on Wheels' at Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra



'India for Tigers - A Rally on Wheels' - In News'



സമാന്തരത്തിന്റെ 75-ാം വാർഷികാഘോഷങ്ങളുടെ ഭാഗമായി രാജ്യത്തെ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണങ്ങളെ ബന്ധിപ്പിച്ചു നടത്തുന്ന ഇന്ത്യ ഫോർ ടൈഗേഴ്സ് - റാലി ഓൺ വീൽസ് പരിപാടിയിലൂടെ ഭാഗമായി പെരിയാരിൽ നിന്ന് പറമ്പിക്കുളത്തേക്കുള്ള റാലി ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ പി.പി.പ്രമോദ് ഏറ്റെടുത്ത് ചെല്ലുന്നു.

കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണങ്ങളെ ബന്ധിപ്പിച്ച് 'ഇന്ത്യ ഫോർ ടൈഗേഴ്സ്' - റാലി ഓൺ വീൽസ്

കുമാളി സമാന്തരത്തിന്റെ 75-ാം വാർഷികാഘോഷങ്ങളുടെ ഭാഗമായി രാജ്യത്തെ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണങ്ങളെ ബന്ധിപ്പിച്ച് നടത്തുന്ന ഇന്ത്യ ഫോർ ടൈഗേഴ്സ് - റാലി ഓൺ വീൽസ് എന്ന പരിപാടി പെരിയാർ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണത്തിലെ ത്തി ശ്രീവല്ലഭപുത്തൂർ മേഖല കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ കേന്ദ്രത്തിൽ നിന്നെത്തിയ റാലിയെ അതിൽ ത്തി ചെക്ക്പെന്റിൽ തെക്കടിയിൽ വെ വനപാലകർ വരെയും തുടർന്ന് ആനവട്ടലിൽ നടന്ന ചടങ്ങിൽ അദ്ധ്യക്ഷത വഹിച്ച സിപി എഫ് പി.പി.പ്രമോദ് പങ്കാൾ ഏറ്റവും വാങ്ങി. ശ്രീവല്ലഭപുത്തൂർ മേഖല കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ കേന്ദ്ര ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ റിപബ്ലിക് ഓഫ് ഇന്ത്യയിൽ അതിൽ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ ഡയറക്ടർ എ.പി.സുനിൽ ബാബു, അസി. ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ രാജ സത്യൻ, രൈസമൺ ഫ്രാൻസിസ്, ഹൈഡ്രോസ് മിരാൻ തുടങ്ങിയവർ പ്രസംഗിച്ചു. മനോരമയിൽ ആദിവാസി സൗഹൃദം സൃഷ്ടിക്കാനും അനുഭവിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള പെരിയാരിൽനിന്ന് പറമ്പിക്കുളത്തേക്കുള്ള റാലി സിസിലി എഫ് പി.പി.പ്രമോദ് ഏറ്റെടുത്ത് ചെല്ലുന്നു. രാജ്യത്തെ 51 കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ കേന്ദ്രങ്ങളെയും ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിയാണി പരിപാടി നടത്തുന്നത്.

രാജാജി പഹുച്ചി ഇന്ത്യ ഫോർ ടൈഗേഴ്സ് റേലി, കാർബെറ്റ് ജാഎഗി

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അർ സെഷെ കെ നീ ടൈഗർ റിജർവ് കെ ലിഎ ശുരൂ കി റ്റേ റ്റേ. ഇടകാ മകസദ ബാഴ സംരക്ഷണ കാ സമേഷെ ഡെന റ്റേ. ഇഹ്നെ ബതാധ കി പീലീപീത ടൈഗർ റിജർവ് സെ യെ റേലി എൻടീസീഎ കാ ഇന്റാ ലേകർ യഹാ പഹുച്ചി. ഇടകെ ബാദ ശുക്രവാര ഷാമ തക റേലി കെ മാഘ്യമ സെ പാർക കി അലഗ അലഗ റേജ് മേ ജാഗരൂകതാ കാർയ്കര മകിഎ എ. ഗോഷ്ഠിയാർ അറ തരഹ കെ അയോജന പീ കിഎ എ. വഹീ ഷനിവാര കെ യെ റേലി കാർബെറ്റ് കെ ലിഎ റവാനാ റേഗി. ജഹാ ഉടകാ ബവ്യ സമാപന റേഗാ. ഇട ഡോറാൻ കടീ കാർയ്കര മകി എ. ഇടകാ മകസദ ലോഗ് കോ ബാഴ സംരക്ഷണ കാ സമേഷെ ഡെന ജാഗരൂക കരനാ റ്റേ. പാർക നിമേഷക ടീകെ സിംഹ കെ അസുര യെ റേലി



രാജാജി പാർക നിമേഷക ടീകെ സിംഹ കോ ഇന്ത്യ ഫ്രോർ ടൈഗേഴ്സ് റേലി കെ ഡോറാൻ എൻടീസീഎ കാ പലേഗ ഡേതേ ടീമ കെ സമര്യ. • ഇന്ദുസ്താൻ പ്രോജക്ട ടൈഗർ സെ പഹലേ കെ നീ അറ വർതമാൻ കെ 51 ടൈഗർ റിജർവ് കെ കവർ കരേഗി. ജോ ബാഴ് വാലേ 18 റാജ്യ് മേ കരീബ സാഢേ സാത റേജാർ കിലോമീറ്റർ കി ഡൂരി തവ കരേഗി, ജോ റികാർഡ് റേഗാ. ഇടമേ ഇഹ്നെ ബതാധ കി ശുക്രവാര കെ പാർക കെ ചീലാ അറ മോതീച്ചൂർ ഗേറ്റ് പര്യടകോ കെ ലിഎ ഖോല ഡിഎ എ, ജഹാ സെ അവ പര്യടക പാർക മേ ജംഗല സഫാറി കാ മജാ ലെ സകേംഗേ. ഇടകെ സോമവാര കെ ചീലാ മേ റാജ് ഡിവസ കാ കാർയ്കര മകി അകർഷണ റേഗാ.

കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണങ്ങളിലൂടെയും ജാമഡ്ക് തേക്കടിയിൽ സൂകിര

കുമാളി സമാന്തരത്തിന്റെ 75-ാം വാർഷിക അഘോഷത്തിന്റെ ഭാഗമായി ഇന്ത്യയിലെ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണങ്ങളിലൂടെയും ജാമഡ്ക് തേക്കടിയിൽ സൂകിരണം നൽകി. ശ്രീവല്ലഭപുത്തൂർ മേഖല കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ റിപബ്ലിക് ഓഫ് ഇന്ത്യയിൽ അതിൽ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ ഡയറക്ടർ എ.പി.സുനിൽ ബാബു, അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ രാജ സത്യൻ എന്നിവർ ചേർന്ന് സൂകിരിച്ചു. ചെല്ലു റാലിയെ ഏറ്റെടുത്ത് പെരിയാർ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണത്തിൽനിന്ന് അരായിച്ചു റാലി പീലിയാർ, തൃശൂർ തൃഷ്ണിയെ സംരക്ഷണത്തിൽ സന്ദർശിച്ച ശേഷം ഹൈകല്പ് പാനിക്കുള കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണത്തിൽ സമാപിച്ചു. 'ആസാദി കാ അമൃത'



ഇന്ത്യയിലെ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണങ്ങളിലൂടെയും ജാമഡ്ക് തേക്കടിയിൽ നൽകിയ സൂകിരണം മഹോത്സവ് എന്ന പരിപാടി യുടെ ഭാഗമായി ദേശീയ കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ അതോറിറ്റിയുടെ മാർഗ്ഗ നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങളനുസരിച്ച് രാജ്യത്തെ 51 കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ കേന്ദ്രങ്ങളിലായി വി വിധ പരിപാടികൾ ആവിഷ്കരിച്ചിരുന്നു. ഇതിന്റെ ഭാഗമായി സൂര്യ, കോളേജ്, സർവകലാശാല തലത്തിൽ വിവിധ അവരോധന പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളും മത്സരങ്ങളും മൂന്നു ഘട്ടങ്ങളിലായി കടന്നുകൂടുകയും ചെയ്തു. ഇതിന്റെ ഭാഗമായി കടുവാ സംരക്ഷണ പാടിടകൾ വിതരണവും ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ എ.പി.സുനിൽ ബാബു, അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് ഹിൽസിൽ ഡയറക്ടർ രാജ സത്യൻ എന്നിവർ ചേർന്ന് സൂകിരിച്ചു.

റേലി അൻ ഡീൽ' കി റ്റേ ശുരൂഅത

6 ടൈഗർ റിജർവ് സെ റേകർ ജാഎഗി റേലി

വാഴ്കോ കെ സംരക്ഷണ കെ ലിഎ പരച്ചി പഹല

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വന്യജീവ അറ പര്യാവരണ സംരക്ഷണ കാ ലിയാ സംകല്പ, വിജേതാओं കാ സമ്മാൻ കിയാ

വന്യജീവ സന്താഹ കാ സമാപന കാര്യാലയ

2 അക്ടൂർ തക 8 അക്ടൂർ തക അവിഷ്കരിയ വന്യജീവ സന്താഹ കാ ശുക്രവാര കെ റാലിയെ റ്റേ പ്രദൃക്തിക സമരല മേ സമാന റ്റേ, സാഹ റ്റേ അഷ്ടമീ കാ അമൃത മഹോത്സവ കെ തരഹ ഉദ്ദേശ്യാ പരേ ടൈഗേഴ്സ്-എ റേലി അറ ഡീലിയ കെ അയോജന കിയാ. വന്യജീവ സന്താഹ കെ ടീഗുൻ റ്റേ വിവിധ വിജേതാओं കെ വിജേതാओं കെ അഭിശ്വരേ ഇവ ബാഹിയ പവ ഡേർ സമ്മാനിത കിയാ. കര്മല മേ മീറ്റർ ലേലി മേ വന്യജീവ പരേ പര്യാവരണ സംരക്ഷണ കാ സംകല്പ കിയാ.

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India for Tigers- A Rally on Wheels - In Social Media

Bhupender Yadav @byadavbjp · Oct 2

Tiger is not only a charismatic species, its presence is vital to regulating & perpetuating ecological processes. On [#GandhiJayanti](#) flagged off 'India for Tigers - A rally on wheels' in which all 51 tiger reserves will be participating at landscape level.

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Ashwini Kr. Choubey @AshwiniKChoubey · Oct 3

बाघ संरक्षण में देश विश्व में अग्रणी है। देश में बाघों की संख्या 2022 तक दोगुना करने का लक्ष्य रखा गया था। यह लक्ष्य हमने समय से पहले 2018 में ही प्राप्त कर लिया है।

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Bandipur Tiger Reserve @Bandipur_TR · Oct 5

Wildlife Week- Day 3.. Director,Bandipur TR received the flags from Mudumalai TR & Bhadra TR and continued the rally on wheels till Bandipur

[#AzadiKaAmritMahotsav](#) @moefcc @ntca_india @aranya_kfd @BoskyKhanna @nagaraholetr @brt_tiger @AmrabadTiger

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Nagarahole Tiger Reserve @nagaraholetr · Oct 29

On the occasion of [#Azadi_ka_Amrit_Mahotsav](#) and heralding the iconic 67th Wildlife week, We had Organised "INDIA FOR TIGERS,- A RALLY ON WHEELS", Some glimpses of this event...

@aranya_kfd @ntca_india @moefcc @mahesh_ifs

Kamlang Tiger Reserve @KamlangTiger · Aug 14

[#BharatAmrutMahotsav](#) [#75thIndependenceDay](#)

Kaziranga National Park & Tiger Reserve @kaziranga_ · Oct 5

A Glimpse of Celebration of "75th Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav" & "India for Tigers:A rally on wheels" @kaziranga_

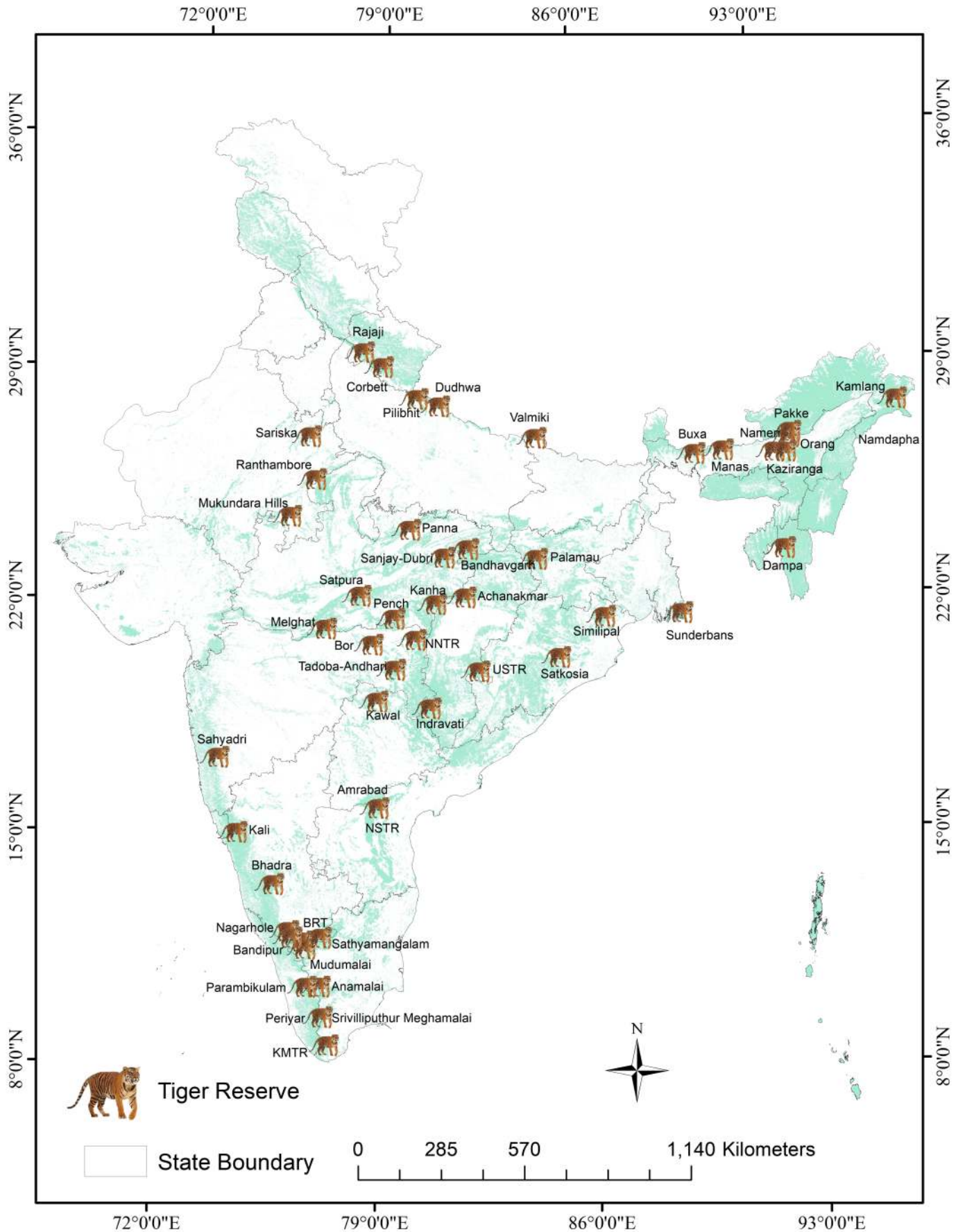
Day 1: Awareness campaign was organised at Mihimukh. Flagged off the rally. Team Kaziranga rallied to Orang TR

@assamforest @ntca_india @alka_b87 [#AzadiKaAmritMahotsav](#)

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Tiger Reserves involved in Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav



Awareness and Outreach Activities to Promote Tiger Conservation



Currently, there is heightened awareness amongst people regarding the environmental concerns. However, environmental illiteracy is still a major impediment to protecting our life support base. With an aim to motivate and empower the young generation to solve the challenges facing the environment today, National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) conducts non-formal educational programmes and various other outreach activities to spread the message of biodiversity conservation.

NTCA under the aegis of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav has explored diverse mediums to raise awareness and disseminate educational messages amongst students on varied aspects of tiger conservation and other environmental issues.

To ensure long-term health of our planet, we need to encourage young citizens with a sense of

ownership of their local natural environment while taking into account the global context of their decisions.

NTCA has planned to link a total of 750 schools/ colleges/ Universities with tiger reserves to participate in various awareness and outreach activities over a period of 75 weeks.

Starting from March 2021, 51 tiger reserves have organized activities such as street plays, debates, painting/ drawing competition, quiz, documentary/ film shows, plantation drives and webinars for school and college students. Besides these, rallies and visit to tiger reserves have also been organised to promote the conservation of tigers and to also sensitize young generation on diverse topics related to environment, forests and climate change. A total number of 6327 students have been sensitized till date across 18 tiger range states.



Kids for Tiger Conservation



School students during an art competition organized by Amrabad Tiger Reserve, Telangana



School students participating in drawing competition held by Indravati Tiger Reserve



Panna Tiger Reserve's awareness rally attended by school students



Pench Tiger Reserve - School students participating in outreach activities

Synchronized Pan India Protection Patrol in Tiger Reserves



Forest officials getting ready for patrolling in Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam

Foot patrols by frontline forest staff are carried out to actively monitor the protected areas and to strengthen the protection regimes and detect emergencies. Active monitoring is the strongest deterrent to illegal hunting and poaching inside protected areas. Foot patrols also serve several purposes and can collect a diversity of data.

A Synchronized Pan India Protection Patrol drive of 75,000 km across 51 tiger reserves has been planned under the aegis of ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ with the purpose to unite the field formations towards achieving the goal of wildlife conservation. Synchronized panIndia foot patrolling is ongoing in 18 tiger range states and so far a distance of 1,52,421 km has been covered till with participation of 25,660 forest frontline force.

M-STriPES (Monitoring System for Tigers: Intensive Protection and Ecological Status)

The forest frontline staff uses M-STriPES application, a digital platform which facilitates patrolling, assesses ecological status and aids in mitigating human-wildlife conflict in and around tiger reserves effectively.

The M-STriPES program uses Global Positioning System (GPS), General Packet Radio Services (GPRS), and remote sensing, to collect information from the field and creates a database using modern Information Technology (IT) based tools. Later, the collected data is used to analyze the information using GIS and statistical tools to provide inferences that allow tiger reserve managers to improve their wildlife managerial protocols.



Forest Frontline in Synchronized Pan India Patrolling activity as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration



PLEDGE FOR TIGER CONSERVATION

I recognize and value,

- That tiger is an umbrella species with charisma, and is the flagship indicator of a balanced ecosystem;
- That a balanced ecosystem is crucial for life support, while providing numerous ecological services to the society;
- Being aware that the status of wild tiger is highly endangered in its natural habitat across Tiger Range Counties with a declining global population;

I hereby solemnly pledge:

- to protect the tiger and its wild habitat to ensure crucial ecological services for posterity;
- to contribute for fostering awareness for tiger conservation by factoring in its concern in areas where tiger is not the goal;
- to work for a balance between tiger conservation and ecologically sustainable development towards harmonious co-occurrence of human beings and the tiger;
- commit to conserve our natural heritage while making all efforts for the future sustenance of wild tiger.





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