

World Wildlife Day 2022

STATUS OF TERRESTRIAL BIODIVERSITY IN BIHAR

Indian Leopard (*Panthera pardus fusca*)



Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary
Munger,
Rajgir Wildlife Sanctuary Nalanda,
Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary West
Champaran

FOOD HABITS:
Ambush Predators,
Mid sized ungulate like
antelopes, deers

VULNERABLE
IUCN Red List
Schedule I- Wildlife
Protection Act 1972

THREATS:
Illegal wildlife trade, and
loss of habitat

Tiger (*Panthera tigris*)



**Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary West
Champaran,**
Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary
(recently spotted)

FOOD HABITS:
Prefer to hunt at night,
Diet includes large ungulate
animals

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THREATS:
Large scale habitat
destruction, and decline in
prey population

Indian Elephant (*Elephas maximus indicus*)



**Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary
West Champaran**

FOOD HABITS:
Spend more than two-thirds of
the day in feeding,
May consume 150-270 kg of
vegetation in a day

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THREATS:
Poaching for ivory,
degradation and
fragmentation of habitat

Sloth Bear (*Melursus ursinus*)



Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary,
Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary West
Champaran

FOOD HABITS:
Omnivorous hence consume
insects and fruits

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THREATS:
Habitat loss, Poaching

Source: Fauna of Bihar, ZSI

<http://faunaofindia.nic.in/PDFVolumes/sfs/052/index.pdf>