

## WILDLIFE NEWS MADHYA PRADESH

### A Male Tiger Is Likely To Be Translocated To Panna Either From Bandhavgarh Or Kanha Tiger Reserves

March, 10th 2009; history of translocation of two tigresses to Panna each from Bandhavgarh and Kanha tiger reserves has been completed. Unfortunately the only tiger said to be there is untraceable. It might have been wandering around the neighboring Jungles of Chhatrapur said the official authorities. However, the official authorities of MP are not in hurry in translocation of male tiger there. They are likely to wait for one more month or until the new tigresses get accustomed with new environment. Let us wait and watch; which one of the two tiger reserves, either Bandhavgarh or Kanha donates it's own male tiger to Panna to revive the growth of tigers in Panna.

### Panna Gets Two Tigresses Each one From Bandhavgarh And Kanha Tiger Reserves

March, 09th 2009 a week after a tigress was shifted from Bandhavgarh National Park for a lonely tiger at the Panna Tiger Reserve; a second tigress was airlifted from Kanha National Park on Monday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2009 and released in the forest amid protests.



### Centre Govt Of India Sounds Tiger Alert In 17 States



Feb 06<sup>th</sup> 2009. The Union government has sounded a red alert against poachers in 17 states, especially in Assam, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh in view of “serious threats”. This was done following the alarm triggered over the death of 10 tigers in the last three months.



## 11 Bengal Tigers Die in 12 Weeks in Kanha TR

**ELEVEN TIGERS** died in 12 weeks in Kanha Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh. The latest death occurred on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009 when an adult male tiger near Dhamman Village in Kisli Range was found dead. Apparently, it is an attack by another male tiger, in which this tiger sustained fatal head injuries. The number of tigers died in Kanha TR within last three months is eleven. However, as per official source of information number of tiger deaths occurred in Kanha is six; however, there is no transparent news when it is said to declaring the number of dead tigers. Two cubs and a male tiger from Kisli Range and an adult tigress in Mukki Range are also said to be missing. Moreover, the declining tiger population in Kanha is likely to cause officials embarrassment and to impose bad remarks. Kanha TR has been a prime park and haven for wildlife and Bengal Tigers in the history of Madhya Pradesh and the state was given the symbol of Tiger Land. There were 120 tigers two years ago in Kanha TR however, the number of tigers now decreased to seventy only.

**Security at the park has relaxed sufficiently. Tourist vehicles to move freely along roads closed to traffic or tourists to take a walk in the forest in the presence of forest guards. Kanha Maidan, once teeming with hordes of cheetals, now seems to be deserted.**

### Two More Cubs Adds To Bandhavgarh Tigers.

Feb, 04<sup>th</sup> 2009. We are pleased to inform all the wildlife lovers that in Bandhavgarh National Park 2 more tiger cubs recently born, in the Bamera Dam Area. The Bamera Dam Area is recently opened for tourist for excursion. Earlier it was open only for bird watching.

### Madhya Pradesh Forms Special Force To Protect Tigers



Bhopal (IANS): Madhya Pradesh has set up a Tiger Strike Force (TSF), made up of 138 former servicemen, to protect the animal in the state's national parks. The headquarter of the force is at Bhopal while regional centre were set up at five places - Indore, Satna, Itarsi, Sagar and Jabalpur.

### Death Cause of Tigers to be investigated by the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau.

New Delhi (PTI): Tiger deaths in Kaziranga and Kanha tiger reserves in the last three months have been increased tremendously and the environment ministry has directed the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau to probe into the possible role of organized gangs in the killings.

This is for the first time that the WCCB has been entrusted with such a sensitive task. Two teams of the investigating agency have been deputed to two reserves in Assam and Madhya Pradesh to enquire into the mysterious deaths and possible links with the poachers in the area.

"WCCB is a professional body with requisite expertise to gather intelligence and probe whether a gang of poachers were involved in the crime. The State governments are just trying to brush the matter under the carpet.

They said the State government's theory that the deaths were natural or tigers had died because of in fighting with another predators can't be bought as death toll in just three months since November last year had climbed to 10 in Kaziranga park and eleven in Kanha .



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