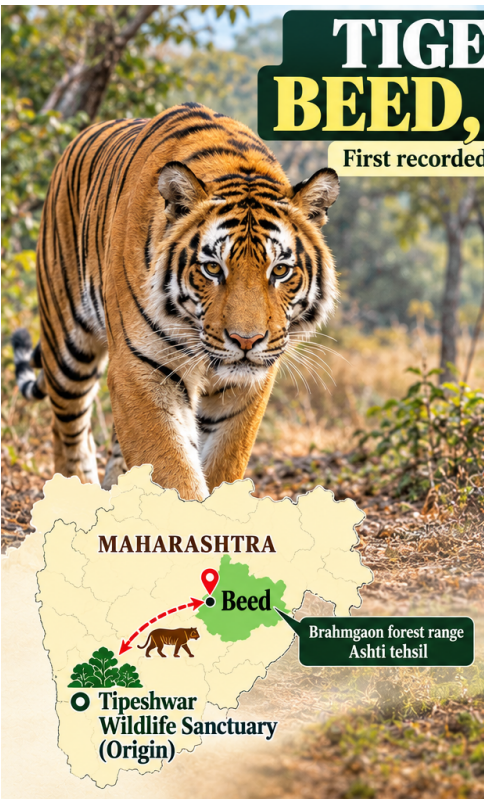


## Tiger Spotted in Beed District, Maharashtra

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### Why in News?

A tiger was recorded in Beed district, Maharashtra, for the first time in nearly a century.



### TIGER SIGHTING IN BEED, MAHARASHTRA

First recorded presence in the Ashti–Patoda forest areas since the 1910s–1920s

| Particular              | Details                                                                        |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Species                 | Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> )                                               |
| Sex and age             | Male, approximately 4 years                                                    |
| Weight                  | Around 200 kg                                                                  |
| Local reference name    | Ramling; not officially named                                                  |
| Origin                  | Tipeswar Wildlife Sanctuary, Maharashtra                                       |
| Camera-trap evidence    | 20 August 2026                                                                 |
| Location of sighting    | Brahmgaon forest range, Ashti tehsil, Beed district                            |
| Historical significance | First recorded presence in the Ashti–Patoda forest areas since the 1910s–1920s |
| Mother                  | Tigress T-22                                                                   |

- A four-year-old male tiger, locally known as 'Ramling', was photographed by a camera trap on 20 August 2026 in the Brahmgaon forest range of Ashti tehsil.
- The tiger reportedly dispersed from Tipeswar Wildlife Sanctuary in Yavatmal district in 2023 and traversed multiple districts.
- It underscores the significance of wildlife corridors, habitat connectivity, and tiger dispersal beyond designated tiger reserves.

**Tiger's Journey** - The tiger departed from Tipeswar Wildlife Sanctuary in 2023 and traversed multiple districts prior to arriving in Beed.

# Tiger's Reported Movement



- The tiger was documented in Dharashiv in December 2024.
- Pugmarks were identified in Beed in October 2025.
- A camera-trap photograph taken on 20 August 2026 confirmed the tiger's presence in Beed.
- Officials reportedly matched a 16-centimeter pugmark discovered in Beed with one previously recorded in Dharashiv.

## Key Protected Areas

### Tipeshwar Wildlife Sanctuary

- Situated in **Yavatmal district, Maharashtra**.
- Identified as the reported origin of the tiger.
- Forms part of the forest landscape that facilitates wildlife movement within the region.

### Kawal Tiger Reserve

- Situated in **Telangana**, primarily within the former Adilabad region.
- Constitutes a segment of the tiger's reported dispersal route.
- Plays a significant role in tiger conservation within the **Deccan-Central Indian landscape**.

## Tiger Conservation in India

| Initiative/institution                       | Key fact                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Project Tiger                                | Launched in 1973                                                            |
| National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) | Statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change |

|                                 |                                                                                                                           |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 | Principal legislation for wildlife protection; the NTCA's statutory framework was strengthened through the 2006 amendment |
| All India Tiger Estimation      | Monitors tiger populations, distribution and habitat                                                                      |
| Tiger corridors                 | Connect habitats and support dispersal and genetic exchange                                                               |
| Global tiger status             | Tiger ( <i>Panthera tigris</i> ) is classified as Endangered on the IUCN Red List                                         |

## Reference

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