

Qo Do you agree with the view that an ↑ in the Tiger population could escalate the man animal conflict Justify your stance in the context of recently released All India Tiger Estimation AITE report?

On the occasion of Global Tiger Day, a detailed report on All India Tiger Estimation was released.

Highlights of the Report:

- India's tiger population has increased in 2022
- The numbers have grown at 6.1% per annum.
- Highest population = Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra.
- Central India, Chhota Nagpur and Shiwalik hills a notable increase in population, whereas in south western Ghats experienced declined.

Efforts to conserve the Tigers:

- ① Global Tiger Day - created TX2 to double the tiger population by 2022.
- ② Project Tiger of India - to promote conservation of the tiger

③ National Tiger Conservation Authority of India:
Tiger task force to reorganise the management of Project Tiger and many Tiger Reserve.

④ Management Effectiveness Evaluation (MEE): To evaluate and manage tiger conservation efforts.

An increase in the Tiger population could not escalate the man-animal conflict because:

- ① Proper fencing of the Tiger area should take place.
- ② Fortifying protected area management.
- ③ If the man have its contribution on Earth so do Animal. So by just controlling tiger population, we cannot ensure that man-animal conflict will reduce.
- ④ Animal encroachment area should be prohibited and humans should not be allowed to enter their area.

The tiger is a unique animal which plays a pivotal role in the health and diversity of an ecosystem.

Hence, by understanding their behaviour, safeguarding tiger corridors, building eco-bridges conservation of them are mandatory.

The presence of tigers in the forest is an indicator of the well-being of the ecosystem.