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Protected Areas of India

Protected areas are those in which human occupation or at least the exploitation of resources is limited. The definition that has been widely accepted across regional and global frameworks has been provided by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) in its categorization guidelines for protected areas. There are several kinds of protected areas, which vary by level of protection depending on the enabling laws of each country or the regulations of the international organizations involved. The term "protected area" also includes Marine Protected Areas, the boundaries of which will include some area of ocean, and Transboundary Protected Areas that overlap multiple countries which remove the borders inside the area for conservation and economic purposes.

- National Parks
- Wildlife Sanctuaries
- Conservation Reserves
- Community Reserves
- Marine Protected Areas

Protected Areas of India (As on December, 2020)

	No.	Total Area (km ²)	Coverage % of Country
National Parks (NPs)	104	43,716	1.33
Wildlife Sanctuaries (WLSs)	566	1,22,420	3.72
Conservation Reserves (CRs)	97	4,483	0.14
Community Reserves	214	1,302	0.04
Protected Areas (PAs)	981	1,71,921	5.03

Geographical Area of India (http://knowindia.gov.in/)	= 32,87,263 km ²
Forest cover of India (FSI, 2019)	= 7,67,419 km ²
Percentage Area under Forest cover	= 23.34 % of Geographical Area of India