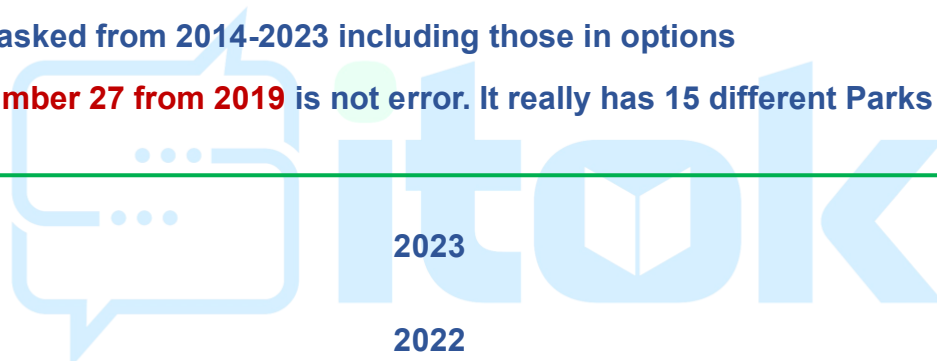




ENVIRONMENT- PARKS CHEAT SHEET

“Flow Through UPSC Like a River in Your Favorite Park: Smooth on the Surface, Paddling Like Hell Underneath.”

- All Question Numbers from SET A
- List of all Parks asked from 2014-2023 including those in options
- P.S. **Question number 27 from 2019** is not error. It really has 15 different Parks mentioned



NO Questions

2023

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73	Nagarhole National Park	Karnataka, India	Kabini River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Elephant (Endangered), leopards, various birds	Tropical monsoon climate; moist deciduous forest	High tiger density, important elephant corridor
73	Papikonda National Park	Andhra Pradesh, India	Godavari River	Tigers (Endangered), Leopards (Vulnerable), Muger crocodile (Vulnerable), various bird species	Tropical climate; Eastern Ghats moist deciduous forests	Rich biodiversity, scenic beauty of the Godavari River



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73	Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve	TamilNadu, India	Bhavani River, Moyar River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Elephant (Endangered), gaur, various birds	Dry deciduous forests and thorn scrub, semi-arid	Largest tiger reserve in Tamil Nadu, significant elephant population
73	Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary	Kerala, India	Kabini River, tributaries of the Cauvery	Elephants, tigers (Endangered), leopards, Indian Bison, various birds	Tropical moist deciduous forest, some semi-evergreen patches	Part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve, elephant reserve

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75	Kanha National Park	Madhya Pradesh, India	Banjar and Halon rivers	Bengal tiger (Endangered), Barasingha (Vulnerable), Indian leopard (Vulnerable), various birds	Tropical deciduous forests	Known for its significant population of Barasingha, which was saved from nearextinction in this park.
75	Manas National Park	Assam, India	Manas River	Bengal tiger (Endangered), Indian elephant (Endangered), Assam roofed turtle (Critically Endangered), various birds	Sub-Himalayan forest vegetation, Tropical evergreen forests	A UNESCO Natural World Heritage site, renowned for its rare and endangered wildlife.
75	Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary	TamilNadu, India	Moyar River	Indian elephant (Endangered), Bengal tiger (Endangered), Gaur (Vulnerable), various birds	Tropical moist deciduous forest, Tropical dry deciduous forest	Lies at the tri-junction of three states - Tamil Nadu, Kerala, and Karnataka, part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve.
75	Tal Chhapar Wildlife Sanctuary	Rajasthan, India		Blackbuck (Least Concern), various birds including migratory species like the harrier	Grassland vegetation	Famous for blackbuck and a variety of birds, especially during the migratory season.

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77	Askot Wildlife Sanctuary	Uttarakhand, India	Kali River, tributaries	Musk Deer (Endangered), Himalayan	Temperate climate; Sub-	Known for its efforts to conserve





				monal (Least Concern), various birds	tropical to Sub-alpine and Alpine vegetation	the Musk Deer and its picturesque Himalayan landscape.
77	Gangotri National Park	Uttarakhand, India	Bhagirathi River	Snow leopard (Vulnerable), Himalayan tahr (Near Threatened), Blue sheep (Least Concern)	Alpine climate; Alpine vegetation	Contains the Gaumukh glacier, the source of the Ganges, sacred to Hinduism.
77	Kishanpur Wildlife Sanctuary	UttarPradesh, India	Sharda Canal, tributaries of Ganges	Swamp deer (Vulnerable), Bengal Florican (Critically Endangered), Sarus crane (Vulnerable)	Subtropical climate; Moist deciduous forests	Part of the Dudhwa Tiger Reserve, important for the conservation of the Swamp deer.
77	Manas National Park	Assam, India	Manas River	Bengal tiger (Endangered), Indian elephant (Endangered), Assam roofed turtle (Critically Endangered), various birds	Sub-Himalayan forest vegetation; Tropical evergreen and moist deciduous forests	UNESCO World Heritage site, known for its rare and endangered endemic wildlife.

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95	Desert National Park	Rajasthan, India	None; features seasonal streams	Great Indian Bustard (Critically Endangered), Desert fox (Least Concern), Indian vulture (Critically Endangered)	Arid climate; Desert sand dunes and scrub vegetation	<p>-Desert National Park is unique in its extensive desert ecosystem, offering a starkly beautiful landscape that supports a range of specially adapted flora and fauna.</p> <p>-Its conservation efforts are particularly focused on the Great Indian Bustard, providing a crucial sanctuary for this critically endangered species.</p>





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100	Corbett Tiger Reserve	Uttarakhand, India	Ramganga River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Elephant (Endangered), various birds	Subtropical and temperate climate; Moist deciduous forests	India's first national park and tiger reserve, named after hunter-turned-conservationist Jim Corbett
100	Ranthambore Tiger Reserve	Rajasthan, India	Banas and Chambal rivers	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Leopard (Vulnerable), various birds	Semi-arid climate; Dry deciduous forests	Famous for its large tiger population and the iconic Ranthambore Fort within the park
100	Nagarjunsagar-Srisailem Tiger Reserve	Andhra Pradesh, India	Krishna River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Leopard (Vulnerable), Sloth Bear (Vulnerable)	Tropical climate; Dry deciduous forests and scrub forests	India's largest tiger reserve, encompassing the Nallamala Hills
100	Sunderbans Tiger Reserve	West Bengal, India	Ganges, Brahmaputra delta	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Saltwater Crocodile (Least Concern), various mangrove birds	Humid tropical climate; Mangrove forests	World's largest tidal halophytic mangrove forest, renowned for its tiger population adapted to aquatic hunting

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18	Manas National Park	Assam, India	Manas River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Assam Roofed Turtle (Critically Endangered), various birds	Sub-Himalayan, tropical climate; Tropical evergreen forests	UNESCO World Heritage site, known for its rare and endangered endemic wildlife.
18	Namdapha National Park	Arunachal Pradesh, India	Noa-Dihing River	Red Panda (Endangered), Snow Leopard (Vulnerable), various birds	Tropical to alpine climate; Tropical rainforest to	One of the largest protected areas in the Eastern Himalaya





					alpine vegetation	biodiversity hotspot with a wide altitudinal range.
18	Neora Valley National Park	West Bengal, India	Neora River	Red Panda (Endangered), Clouded Leopard (Vulnerable), various birds	Subtropical, temperate climate; Subtropical and temperate forests	Rich biodiversity in the Eastern Himalayas, largely unexplored and pristine forest.
18	Valley of Flowers National Park	Uttarakhand, India	Pushpawati River	Asiatic Black Bear (Vulnerable), Snow Leopard (Vulnerable), Blue Sheep (Least Concern), Various high-altitude birds	Alpine climate; Alpine meadows and grasslands	Noted for its meadows of endemic alpine flowers and outstanding natural beauty; UNESCO World Heritage site.

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27	Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary	Kerala, India	Neyyar River	Asian Elephant (Endangered), various bird species	Tropical wet evergreen forests	Elephant Rehabilitation Centre
27	Peppara Wildlife Sanctuary	Kerala, India	Karamana River	Tiger (Endangered), Leopard (Vulnerable)	Evergreen and moist deciduous forests	Rich in avian species
27	Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary	Kerala, India	Shendurney River	Lion-tailed Macaque (Endangered)	Tropical semi-evergreen forests	Home to a unique Myristica swamp ecosystem
27	Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve	Tamil Nadu, India	Tamiraparani River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Nilgiri Tahr (Endangered)	Tropical wet evergreen forests	Part of the Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve
27	Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu, India	Moyar River	Indian Elephant (Endangered), various birds	Tropical moist deciduous forests	Important corridor for elephant migration
27	Sathyamangalam Wildlife Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu, India	Bhavani River	Tiger (Endangered), Gaur (Vulnerable)	Dry deciduous forests and thorn scrubs	Known for significant tiger population increase
27	Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary	Kerala, India	Kabini River	Indian Bison (Vulnerable), Elephant (Endangered)	Moist deciduous forests	Part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve
27	Silent Valley National Park	Kerala, India	Kunthipuzha River	Lion-tailed Macaque (Endangered)	Tropical evergreen forests	Known for its silent, pristine, and





						undisturbed ecosystem
27	Kaundinya Wildlife Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh, India	-	Asian Elephant (Endangered)	Dry deciduous forests	The only sanctuary in Andhra Pradesh with elephants
27	Gundla Brahmeswaram Wildlife Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh, India	-	Panther, Spotted Deer	Dry deciduous forests	A migratory corridor for elephants
27	Papikonda Wildlife Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh, India	Godavari River	Tiger (Endangered), Leopard (Vulnerable)	Eastern Ghats moist deciduous forests	Offers scenic views of the Godavari River
27	Mukurthi National Park	Tamil Nadu, India	Nilgiri River	Nilgiri Tahr (Endangered)	Montane grasslands and sholas	Preserves the montane grassland ecosystem
27	Kawal Wildlife Sanctuary	Telangana, India	-	Tiger (Endangered), Indian Bison (Vulnerable)	Dry deciduous forests	A critical habitat for the tiger in central India
27	Sri Venkateswara Wildlife Sanctuary	Andhra Pradesh, India	-	Slender Loris (Data Deficient), various birds	Dry deciduous forests and thorn scrubs	Houses the famous Tirupati temple
27	Nagarjunasagar-Srisaillam Tiger Reserve	Andhra Pradesh, India	Krishna River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Leopard (Vulnerable)	Dry deciduous forests	India's largest tiger reserve

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60	Pakhui Wildlife Sanctuary (Pakke Tiger Reserve)	East Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh	Kameng River (west), Pakke River (east)	Mammals: Bengal tiger, Indian leopard, clouded leopard, wild dog, Asiatic jackal, elephant, gaur, barking deer, sambar, etc. Birds: Over 296 species including the white-winged wood duck, hornbills, Jerdon's baza, pied falconet, etc. Reptiles and	Tropical semi-evergreen forests along the lower plains and foothills, dominated by various tree species. Subtropical broadleaved forests dominate hill tops and higher reaches. Vegetation includes bamboo, cane, palms, and a variety of economically	Efforts of the Forest Department and the local Nyishi community in wildlife protection have been significant. The Nyishi tribe uses fiber glass replicas of hornbill beaks as headgear and imposes fines for tiger hunting. The sanctuary has won the India





				Amphibians: 36 reptile species and 30 amphibian species including the Assam roofed turtle, king cobra, pied warty frog.	valuable species. High diversity and density of woody lianas and climbers.	Biodiversity Award 2016 for its Hornbill Nest Adoption Programme.
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45	Corbett National Park	Uttarakhand, India	Ramganga River, Kosi River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Elephant (Endangered), various bird species	Subtropical and tropical, moist deciduous forests	First National Park in India; Project Tiger Reserve
45	Kuno Palpur Wildlife Sanctuary	Madhya Pradesh, India	Kuno River	Asiatic Lions (reintroduced, Endangered), various bird species	Dry deciduous forests	Reintroduction site for Asiatic Lions
45	Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu, India	Moyar River	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Elephant (Endangered), Indian Leopard (Vulnerable), various bird species	Tropical moist deciduous forest, tropical dry deciduous forest	Part of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve; Elephant Reserve
45	Sariska National Park	Rajasthan, India	None specific; seasonal water bodies	Bengal Tiger (Endangered), Indian Leopard (Vulnerable), various bird species	Tropical dry deciduous forests, grasslands	Successful tiger relocation project; Project Tiger Reserve

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51	Bhitarkanika National Park	Odisha, India	Brahmani, Baitarani	Saltwater Crocodile (Least Concern), Olive Ridley Turtle (Vulnerable), Indian Python (Near Threatened),	Tropical Monsoon, Mangrove Forests	One of the largest populations of saltwater crocodiles; Absence of Gharials.





				Black Ibis (Near Threatened), Spotted Deer (Least Concern), Fishing Cat (Vulnerable), Indian Blackbuck (Near Threatened), Flamingo (Near Threatened), White-bellied Sea Eagle (Near Threatened), Osprey (Least Concern)		
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52	Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve	Tamil Nadu, India	Bhavani River	Tigers (Endangered), Elephants (Endangered), Various bird species	Tropical Dry Forest; Dry Deciduous	Corridor between Western Ghats and Eastern Ghats, significant tiger population
52	Nallamala Forest	Andhra Pradesh, India	Krishna River	Tigers (Endangered), Leopards (Vulnerable), Sloth Bear, Various bird species	Dry deciduous forests	Part of the Eastern Ghats, rich in biodiversity
52	Nagarhole National Park	Karnataka, India	Kabini River	Tigers (Endangered), Elephants (Endangered), Indian bison (Vulnerable)	Tropical Moist Deciduous Forest	Part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve, notable tiger and elephant population
52	Seshachalam Biosphere Reserve	Andhra Pradesh, India	Not directly associated with a river	Indian Giant Squirrel, Slender Loris (Vulnerable), Various bird species	Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest	Famous for its unique red sanders trees, rich in medicinal plants

2016

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19	Bhitarkanika National Park	Odisha, India	Brahmani, Baitarani Rivers	Saltwater Crocodile (Least Concern), Olive Ridley Turtles (Vulnerable), Kingfisher, White Crocodile, Indian Python, Black Ibis, Wild Pigs, Rhesus Monkeys, and over 215 species of birds including migratory species from Central Asia and Europe.	Tropical Monsoon, Mangrove Forests	Home to India's largest population of saltwater crocodiles and a significant nesting site for Olive Ridley Turtles.
19	Keibul Lamjao National Park	Manipur, India	Loktak Lake	Sangai or Brow-antlered Deer (Endangered), Otters, Waterfowl, and various species of fish. Unique flora includes the phumdi, a biomass vegetation system.	Subtropical, Floating biomass vegetation (phumdis)	The world's only floating national park, characterized by the unique phumdi vegetation.
19	Keoladeo Ghana National Park	Rajasthan, India	Artificial wetlands	Siberian Crane (Critically Endangered), Sambar, Chital, Nilgai, and Boar. Over 360 bird species, including the rare Siberian Crane during winter.	Semi-arid, Wetlands	A UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the world's most important bird breeding and feeding grounds.
19	Sultanpur National Park	Haryana, India	Seasonal water bodies	Migratory birds like the Siberian Crane, Greater Flamingo, Ruff, Black-winged Stilt, and around 250 bird species in total. Mammals include the Indian Hare, Striped Hyena, and Blackbuck.	Semi-arid, Grasslands and marshes	A popular birdwatching site with facilities for bird watchers and a significant destination for migratory birds.





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27	Khangchendzonga National Park	Sikkim, India	Teesta River, Rangit River	Snow leopard (Vulnerable), Red panda (Endangered), Himalayan tahr (Near Threatened), Black-necked crane (Near Threatened)	Alpine, Subalpine, and Temperate; includes glaciers, valleys, and lakes	UNESCO World Heritage site, third highest peak in the world (Kangchenjunga)
27	Nanda Devi National Park	Uttarakhand, India	Rishi Ganga	Snow leopard (Vulnerable), Himalayan musk deer (Endangered), Blue sheep (Least Concern), Himalayan monal (Least Concern)	Alpine; high-altitude flora including meadows and forests	UNESCO World Heritage Site, surrounds the peak of Nanda Devi
27	Neora Valley National Park	West Bengal, India	Neora River	Red panda (Endangered), Clouded leopard (Vulnerable), Himalayan tahr (Near Threatened), Satyr tragopan (Near Threatened)	Subtropical to temperate forests with rich biodiversity	Dense bamboo groves and virgin forests; home to the elusive Red Panda
27	Namdapha National Park	Arunachal Pradesh, India	Noa-Dihing River	Red panda (Endangered), Snow leopard (Vulnerable), Clouded leopard (Vulnerable), Hoolock gibbon (Vulnerable)	Tropical to Alpine; dense moist forests with a rich biodiversity	Largest protected area in the Eastern Himalaya biodiversity hotspot; only park in India with four big cat species



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9	Dampa Tiger Reserve	Mizoram, India	-	Tiger (Endangered), Hoolock gibbon (Vulnerable), Indian python (Near Threatened), Great Indian hornbill (Vulnerable)	Tropical semi-evergreen forests, tropical moist deciduous forests	Mizoram's largest wildlife sanctuary; part of Project Tiger
9	Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary	Tripura, India	Gumti River	Asian elephant (Endangered), Phayre's leaf monkey (Endangered), Capped langur (Vulnerable), Spectacled monkey (Vulnerable)	Tropical moist deciduous forest, semi-evergreen forest	Home to the Gumti Water Reservoir; important habitat for water birds

