

# GTRP Implementation Priorities

## National Activities: INDIA

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HANOI, Vietnam



# National Tiger Recovery Program National Priorities

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- Securing habitats
- Antipoaching activities
- Improving management
- Capacity building
- Scientific monitoring
- Community engagement and development



# Securing Habitats

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- Creating inviolate core - Village relocation
  - Process is on for enhancement in the budget allocation
    - Exclusive tiger agenda
    - Monitoring involving independent experts/agency
    - Initiatives for online monitoring of village relocation
    - Supervisory visits done

# Securing Habitat

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- Establishment of new tiger reserves
  - Now 40 Tiger Reserves
  - In-principle approval for 6 new TRs
  - Identified 6 more areas to create TRs

# Anti-poaching activities

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- Creation, training and equipping of Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF)
  - Sanctioned in 17 TRs
  - Syllabus of training finalized
  - Local workforce involved
  - Committees constituted to analyse TCPs which *inter alia* includes reserve specific Security Plan

# Improving Management

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- Habitat improvement activities
  - Improving water resource availability, soil-moisture works, fire lines, forest roads
  - Funding support is being provided to 40 TRs
  - TCP finalization



# Improving Management

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- Monitoring and Evaluation
  - Independent Management Effectiveness Evaluation (MEE) completed, reports released, placed in public domain
  - Online reporting of tiger mortality in public domain ([www.tigernet.nic.in](http://www.tigernet.nic.in))
  - Details of country level estimation based on scientifically robust methodology released, placed in public domain

# Improving Management

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- Decision taken for Intensive Annual Monitoring of important source population (Phase-IV) with the involvement of outside experts; to complement the country level estimation done once in 4 years
- Launching of “M-STrIPES”
  - Capacity building training workshop organized
  - Software customized, funding support provided to WII for implementation

# Improving Management

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- Information Technology
  - “e-Eye” an IT based surveillance successfully launched
- Studies on economic evaluations of tiger reserves approved

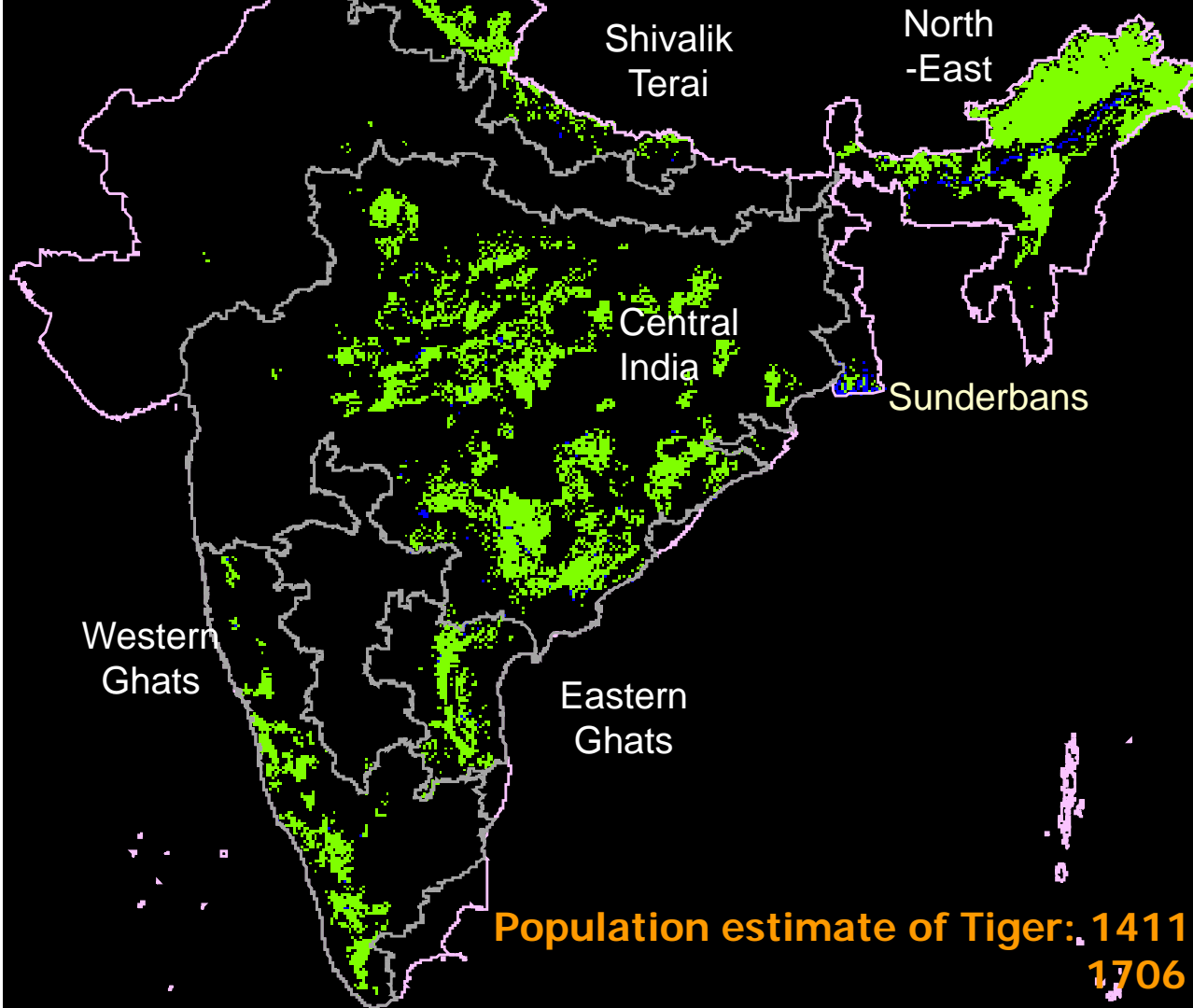
# Capacity Building

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- Improving infrastructure
  - 3 Regional Offices of NTCA created
  - New posts of 4 IGF, 1 DIGF, 6 AIGF, 1 DD Finance created
- Improving knowledge agenda
  - Exchange of good practices & strengthening knowledge institutions
  - Awards for best practices to Tiger Reserves
  - Indian delegation visited China in April, 2011
  - Russian delegation visited India May, 2011
- All India workshop of FDs -good practices conducted in May 2011

# Tiger Occupied Landscape Complexes

**Tiger Occupancy in about 81,800 km<sup>2</sup> ,  
Potential Habitat of about 300,000 km<sup>2</sup>.**



**Population estimate of Tiger: 1411 range 1165 to 1657(2008)  
1706 range 1520 to 1909(2010)**

# Community Engagement & Development

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- Addressing Human-Wildlife Conflict
  - Timely and adequate compensation for loss of human/cattle and damages due to crop depredation by wildlife
  - Advisory issued for creation of “Rapid Response Teams”
  - Funding support for needy States

# Community Engagement & Development

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- Co-existence in Buffer/Fringe areas of tiger reserves and support for sustainable livelihoods
  - Funding provided to TRs for mainstreaming tiger conservation & addressing livelihood concerns in the buffer
  - Sectoral integration and convergence of ongoing schemes to benefit communities
  - Sustainable livelihoods approaches in buffer
  - Village level micro plan & involvement of EDCs
  - More than 2.6 million man days of employment generated

# New Initiatives

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- Eco-tourism guidelines for PAs and forest areas to be released soon
- Accorded in-principle approval for 6 new Tiger Reserves
- Identified 6 new areas for new creation of new Tiger Reserves
- Corridors identified, Committee to look in to green smart infrastructure development in such areas

# New Initiatives

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- Project Tiger guidelines being revised
  - to acquire private lands falling under TR,
  - standardizing norms for construction of patrolling camps,
  - doubling the compensation,
  - interpretation centres for awareness generation and involvement of local people
  - Tiger safaris to reduce pressure on TRs

# New initiatives

## Active management:

**Plan for introduction of tigers in new areas**

**Reintroduction bison done in the Bandhawgarh tiger reserve**

**Plan for barasingha and blackbuck introduction in alternate habitat, to augment prey base.**

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