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West Bengal News

Jaldapara National Park



- Situated in the **Alipurduar district of West Bengal**.
- In **2012**, it was declared a National Park.
- **River Torsa** runs along the park.
- **Fauna:** Largest population of the Indian **one-horned rhinoceros**, after Kaziranga National Park in Assam.
- Leopard, elephant, different species of deer, wild pig and bison.
- The **Bengal florican bird** is also spotted here.

Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary



- Located in the **Darjeeling district of West Bengal** established as a wildlife sanctuary in **1976**.
- This is situated between the **Mahananda and Teesta rivers** in the Terai plains of Darjeeling.
- Nine major forest ranges, i.e. Kalijhora, Latpanchork, Punding, Sukuna, Gulma, Toribari, Sevoke, Seventh Mile and latlong.
- The **Terai belt of the sanctuary** is an important corridor for elephants migrating from Nepal through West Bengal to Assam.
- **Fauna:** Bengal Tiger, elephants, bison, spotted deer, rare mountain goats, porcupines, hornbills, swallows, swift, sunbird, etc. are found here.
- **Birds at Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary** include some very endangered species like the Rufous-necked Hornbill, Oriental Pied Hornbill, Great Hornbill etc. Among the others swallow, swift, thrush, babbler, warbler, roller, minivet and sunbird can be found in abundance.

National Parks and WLS in Bengal:

- Ballabhpur Wildlife Sanctuary
- Bethuadahari Wildlife Sanctuary
- Bibhutibhushan Wildlife Sanctuary
- Buxa Tiger Reserve
- Chapramari Wildlife Sanctuary
- Chilapata Forest
- Chintamani Kar Bird Sanctuary
- Gorumara National Park
- Haliday Island Wildlife Sanctuary
- Jaldapara National Park
- Jore Pokhri Wildlife Sanctuary
- Lothian Island Wildlife Sanctuary
- Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary
- Neora Valley National Park
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<p>Yuvasree</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It is a financial assistance scheme of the Government of West Bengal for the unemployed youth of West Bengal.• This scheme was previously known as YuvaUtsahaPrakolpo (YUP).• This scheme was implemented in October 2013 and is maintained by the Labour Department of West Bengal.• The motto of Yuvasree is to provide employment assistance to the unemployed youths of West Bengal to increase their employment ability and skills.
<p>AmarFasal Amar Gari project</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The West Bengal Government had announced a pilot project to provide financial assistance to marginal farmers of the State so that they can have their own storehouses and vending carts.• A subsidy varying between Rs. 5,000 and Rs. 25,000 will be provided for the warehouses.• Though there are 24 lakh small and marginal farmers in the State, only around 10,000 such farmers would be covered initially under two schemes.• Chief Minister has named the schemes as Amar Fasal, Amar Gola (My Crop, My Storehouse), and Amar Fasal Amar Gari (My Crop, My Vehicle).• In the case of the AmarFasal Amar Gari project, the rate of subsidy would be Rs. 10,000 flat.• This project will facilitate those farmers who wish to directly sell their products to end users.• The subsidies would be directly credited to the bank accounts of those farmers who own Kisan Credit Cards.

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