



Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve (MHTR)

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Subject Preference: GS III (Biodiversity & Wildlife Conservation)

- **The News:** Launch of the documentary "Enchanting Mukundra" to promote eco-tourism and highlight conservation success.
- **Basics:** Rajasthan's **third tiger reserve** (notified in 2013). It is an amalgam of three sanctuaries: **Darrah, Jawahar Sagar, and Chambal**.
- **Terrain & Riverine Context:**
- **Geology:** Situated in a valley formed by the **parallel Mukundra and Gargola mountains** (Vindhyan range).
- **Hydrology:** The **Chambal River** and its tributaries (like Kali Sindh) drain this area, supporting the **Gharial** and the **Gangetic River Dolphin**.
- **Vegetation:** Predominantly **Dry Deciduous Forest** with *Anogeissus pendula* (Dhok) as the dominant species.