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Wildlife Week India

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Why in News?

The Forest department has organised **awareness rally to launch Wildlife Week India.**

About Wildlife week:

- The Wildlife Week is celebrated all over the country every year **between 2nd October and 8th October**
- The aim of this week is to **preserve animal life in India.**
- The event is **organized by National Board of Wildlife since its establishment in 1972.**
- The **theme** of this year's event is **"Wildlife Conservation Through Coexistence."**
- The events are organized to teach people about animal life and encourage them to save a large number of animals by not killing them for food and other purposes.

About National Board of Wildlife:

- The NBWL has been constituted under the **Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.**
- NBWL advises the government on **policy and strategy for wildlife conservation**
- It also **reviews proposals for non-forestry use of forestland within National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries** and issue or deny permissions.
- The NBWL is **chaired by the Prime Minister.** It also comprises of a **Standing Committee headed by Union Environment Minister**
- The **Wildlife Protection Act, 1972** specifies that the **committee should comprise of 10 eminent ecologists and five NGOs.**
- The committee **considers the merits of projects** that come to it for scrutiny.

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