



राष्ट्रीय व्याघ्र संरक्षण प्राधिकरण  
**NATIONAL TIGER CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**  
(पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के अर्न्तगत सांविधिक निकाय)  
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To,

**The Chief Wildlife Warden(s),  
All Tiger Range States.**

**Sub: Tourism activities in Tiger Reserves – reg.**

Sir,

Tourism carrying capacity in respect of a tiger reserve is calculated as maximum number of tourist vehicles permitted per day as per the prescription mentioned in the National Tiger Conservation Authority (Normative Standards of Tourism Activities and Project Tiger) Guidelines, 2012'. The above carrying capacity is determined with the presumption that the gap between two consecutive vehicles is maintained at a minimum distance of 500 m.

But it is often observed that the tourist vehicles inside the tiger reserve do not maintain above minimum distance with other vehicles and often resulting in crowding around animals sighted during the trip, to the detriment of wildlife, hence defeating the very purpose for which carrying capacity is fixed.

Therefore, you are advised to implement the above mentioned guidelines in letter & spirit and ensure that tourist vehicles maintain a minimum distance of 500 m from each other at any point of time and do not crowd around wild animals.

An early compliance will be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak) 12/2/20

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Copy to:

1. Field Director(s), All Tiger Reserves.
2. IGFs/DIGFs/AIGFs, NTCA Hqrs. and Regional Offices at Bengaluru, Guwahati and Nagpur.