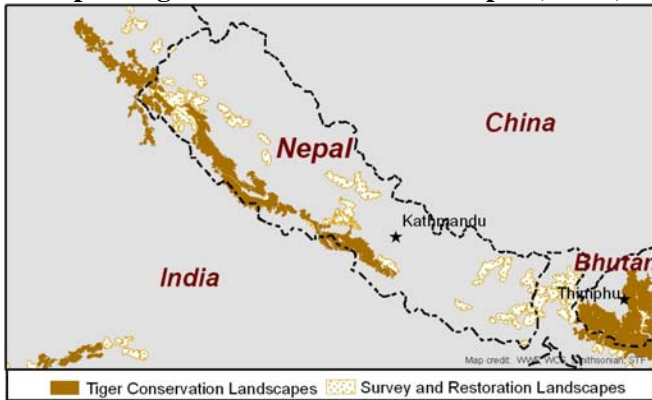


GLOBAL TIGER INITIATIVE COUNTRY SNAPSHOT – NEPAL

Map of Tiger Conservation Landscapes (TCLs)*



Note: Some tiger habitats have not yet been fully captured by TCL mapping in Nepal.

Status of National Tiger Action Plan

- Available: Yes
- Approval date: 2007
- Approval authority: Ministry of Forests & Soil Conservation, Government of Nepal
- Revision expected: Yes

Priority Issues and Actions (from Existing National Tiger Action Plan and/or Other Sources)**

1. Improvement in wildlife legislation
2. Improvement in wildlife crime control
3. Strengthening community-based management
4. Amelioration of human-wildlife conflicts
5. Establishment of forest connectivity
6. Livestock management
7. Developing framework for tiger monitoring
8. Improvement in Protected Area management, infrastructure and equipment
9. Habitat restoration for tigers and prey
10. Trans-boundary cooperation with India
11. Public awareness on tiger trade bans

Key Tiger-Related Statistics

- Estimated number of tigers: 370
- Tiger subspecies: Bengal tiger
- Number of Tiger Conservation Landscapes (TCLs) identified: 4
- Area of TCLs: 11,455 km²
- Area of TCLs under protection: 3,255 km²

Key National Stakeholders

• **Main Government Agencies:**
Department of National Parks and Wildlife Conservation, Department of Forests, Ministry of Forests & Soil Conservation

• **Main Non-governmental Groups:**
National Trust for Nature Conservation, Wildlife Conservation Nepal, Resources Himalayas, WWF

Country Membership:

- Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES): Yes
- Global Tiger Forum: Yes

Opportunities for Early Action

1. Restoration of forest corridors through community forestry
2. Strengthening Protected Area management capacity, infrastructure and equipment
3. Building capacities for detection of trafficking and trade
4. Developing ecotourism projects around Protected Areas

* TCLs are large blocks of habitat where tigers are known to occur. Survey & Restoration Landscapes are large areas of suitable habitat where tiger status is either unknown to this study or where tigers have become recently extirpated. (WWF, WCS, Smithsonian, STF, 2007).

** For list of sources see Annex.