

Protected under UN treaty, half of world’s migratory wildlife on decline: Report

Nikhil Ghanekar
New Delhi, March 6

A NEW global report on the health of migratory wildlife has warned that 49 per cent of the migratory species population protected by the UN’s Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) are declining, and 24 per cent of species are now facing extinction.

The threat of population decline has risen 5 per cent in just two years, while the percentage of species facing extinction has risen by 2 per cent over the same period, as per the interim report updating the landmark State of World’s Migratory Species, which was first released in 2024.

This means that out of 1,189 total species listed under the global treaty, 582 migratory species face population decline challenges. The migratory species facing population declines and extinction risks range from many bird species, with

bird flu recognised as a threat, including mass mortality; ungulates or hooved animals such as Wildebeest and Llama; freshwater fish; and marine species such as sharks, rays, and turtles.

“Between 2002 and 2021, mobility declined significantly for the Mongolian Gazelle, a nomadic species whose males have some of the longest distance movements ever recorded,” the report said.

The interim report tracked changes in conservation status of migratory species and highlighted emerging trends based on data from the International Union for Conservation of Nature’s (IUCN) Red List of threatened species, and population trends and changes in extinction risk documented in scientific literature. The interim report highlighted that 26 species listed under the treaty have moved to a higher extinction risk category under IUCN’s list, and among these, 18 are migratory shorebirds.

Jodhpur’s Anuj tops UPSC exam: ‘There were distractions but I put in 8-10 hours’

Parul Kulshrestha & Damini Nath
Jaipur, New Delhi, March 6

ANUJ AGNIHOTRI, a 26-year-old from Rajasthan’s Chittorgarh district, has topped the Civil Services Examination 2025, the result of which was declared by the Union Public Service Commission on Friday, listing 958 candidates (659 men and 299 women) as qualified for appointment to different central civil services.

An alumnus of AIIMS Jodhpur, this was Anuj’s third attempt. In 2023, he was selected for DANICS, the civil services for Union Territories. In second place was Rajeshwari Suve M, an engineering graduate from Anna University, Chennai. Akansh Dhull, who is B Com graduate from Delhi University, Raghav Jhunjhunwala, who has a BA (Hons) Economics degree from Delhi University, and Ishan Bhatnagar, a law graduate from Law University, Delhi, secured the third, fourth and fifth ranks, respectively.

Talking to The Indian Express, Anuj said: “Although there were distractions, I was still able to put in 8-10 hours daily for preparation. At home, my parents gave me a good environment to study, but the discipline with which I studied during my first attempt in 2023 helped me later on. I couldn’t make it in my second attempt.”

Of the 958 candidates who qualified, 317 candidates were from the general category, 306 from Other Backward Classes,



UPSC topper Anuj Agnihotri at home in Chittorgarh, Friday. PTI

158 from Scheduled Castes, 104 from Economically Weaker Section and 73 from Scheduled Tribes. Among the recommended candidates are 42 Persons with Benchmark Disability. A total of 180 candidates were recommended to the IAS, 55 to the IFS, 150 to the IPS, 507 to the Central Services Group A and 195 Group B.

The preliminary examination was held in May 2025, in which 5.76 lakh candidates appeared. After that, 14,161 candidates qualified for the main examination held in August last. A total of 2,736 candidates then appeared for the interviews from December to February, the UPSC said.

Announcing the results, UPSC Chairman Ajay Kumar said in a post on X: “The UPSC has declared the final results of the CSE 2025 today. Congrats to all successful candidates as you begin a career of service to the nation. For those who did not make it—the learning from this

journey will guide you in the paths ahead.”

Anuj’s father Krishna Bihari Agnihotri is a technician at the Atomic Power Station in Rawatbhata. Originally from Uttar Pradesh, the family settled in Rajasthan in 1964. “We have been focused on the academic journey of our children since childhood. After MBBS, he told us he wanted to prepare further, so we supported him. I have an elder son who pursued an MBA and settled in Hyderabad. We just want our children to succeed and have a good life ahead,” Krishna said.

He said the credit for their success should go to Anuj’s mother, Manju Agnihotri, who made several sacrifices for their future. “We would never attend family gatherings to avoid any disturbance to our children’s lives. We set a timetable for their breakfast, lunch and sleep. We did everything, and now, with God’s grace, my son has achieved this success,” she said.

Granddaughter of slain Ranbir Sena chief set to join IPS

Santosh Singh
Patna, March 6

AAKANKSHA SINGH, granddaughter of slain Ranbir Sena chief Barmeshwar Mukhiya, has secured the 301st rank in the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) Civil Services Examination 2025, qualifying for training in the Indian Police Service.

The Ranbir Sena, a disbanded private upper-caste militia, was engaged in a series of caste wars in the 1990s, often pitting it against the erstwhile far-left insurgents, the Maoist Communist Centre (MCC). Barmeshwar, who was killed in 2012, belonged to a family from Khopira village of Bhojpur and had notoriously urged upper-caste people to “sell gold to buy pistols (sona becho, loha kharido)” at the height of the Bihar caste wars. The village, along with Belaur and Ekbari in Bhojpur, saw a series of brutal caste-based massacres that continued even as late as 2003.

Aakanksha studied at Catholic High School in Ara, completing Class 10 in 2017. She later did a BA in English honours at Harprasad Das Jain College of Veer Kunwar Singh University in Ara, moved to Patna for preparation, and cleared the UPSC in her second attempt.



Aakanksha Singh secured the 301st rank

She also briefly taught at a local school.

“While my success is down to hard labour, my family had a small part,” she told The Indian Express, adding that she was “greatly inspired by the grit and resilience of cricketer Virat Kohli”.

Aakanksha’s father, Indubhushan Singh—a farmer—told The Indian Express that it was an “emotional” moment. “I’m overwhelmed by people’s phone calls and wishes. Aakanksha is the daughter of society, and will contribute towards nation building,” he said, while a cousin by marriage, Anupama Singh, added: “She has brought pride to Bhojpur and Bihar.”

A retired IPS officer who was formerly posted in Bihar’s Maoist-hit areas described it as “the circle of history”.

Hathras man who ‘forcibly’ smeared colour on youth on Holi booked

Manish Sahu
Lucknow, March 6

A 30-YEAR-OLD man has been booked for allegedly forcibly smearing colour on two youths from a minority community on Holi, after forcing them to get down from their tempo and chant slogans, in Uttar Pradesh’s Hathras.

The alleged incident came to light on Thursday after a video surfaced on social media.

Police said the accused, Devendra Chaudhary alias Bhola, has been booked under relevant BNS sections. SHO of Shadabad police station, Vijay Singh, said the accused was taken into preventive custody and produced before the court. Circle Officer, Hathras, Amit Pathak, said the accused later got bail.

In another video that surfaced on social media, the victim, Farman, claimed that he and his friend were returning home in a tempo when the vehicle was stopped by the accused. He alleged that the accused assaulted them and forced them to chant ‘Jai Shri Ram’ before recording a video and smearing colour on them.

“They told us to chant slogans... we refused. They were beating us and saying, ‘Accept the colours politely, otherwise we’ll beat you,’” he claimed in the video. In a third video, the accused is purportedly heard claiming that he had no intention of hurting anyone’s sentiments and had only wished people ‘Happy Holi’.

**BENGALURU NORTH CITY CORPORATION**
Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division,
Zone-2, Hesaraghatta Main Road, MEI Layout,
Bagalagunte, Bengaluru - 560 073.

No: BNCC/EE/DD/TEND/08/2025-26 **Date: 06.03.2026**

INVITATION FOR TENDERS (IFT) (Short Term Tender)

(TWO TENDER DOCUMENT SYSTEM)
(Through GOK KPP Portal only)

1. The Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli division, BNCC, Bengaluru invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers for the Construction of Works detailed below.
(Standard Tender Document - KW-1, 2, 3 & 4)

Sl. No.	Name of Work/Category
1	Desilting & Maintenance of Drains by Silt and Tractor for the Year 2025-26 in ward no 15-kammagondanahalli. (SC) Put to tender amount: Rs.28.41 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 28,410/-.
2	Desilting & Maintenance of Drains by Silt and Tractor for the Year 2025-26 in ward no 16-Mallasandra (ST) Put to tender amount: Rs.28.41 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 28,410/-.
3	Desilting & Maintenance of Drains by Silt and Tractor for the Year 2025-26 in ward no 17-Chikkasandra (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.28.41 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 56,820/-.
4	Desilting & Maintenance of Drains by Silt and Tractor for the Year 2025-26 in ward no 18-Bagalagunte (Cat-1) Put to tender amount: Rs.28.41 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 28,410/-.
5	Desilting & Maintenance of Drains by Silt and Tractor for the Year 2025-26 in ward no 19-T Dasarahalli (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.28.41 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 56,820/-.
6	Improvements of roads and drains in Medarahalli Colony in ward No. 15 Shettyahalli sub division (Cat-II(A) Put to tender amount: Rs.73.72 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 73,720/-.
7	Construction of Samudaya Bhavan in Medarahalli colony in ward No.15 Shettyahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.125.00 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 1,87,500/-.
8	Improvements of roads and drains in Kammagondanahalli K G Halli A K Colony in ward No. 15 Shettyahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.80.69 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 1,61,380/-.
9	Development of Park in Medarahalli colony in ward No. 15 Shettyahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.23.48 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 46,960/-.
10	Improvements of roads and drains in Lakshmpura in ward No. 15 Shettyahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.72.01 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 1,44,020/-.
11	Improvements of roads and drains in Kanshiram Nagara in ward No. 15 Shettyahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.69.61 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 1,39,220/-.
12	Construction of Drains in Cross roads in Lakshmpura Govt School Surrounding area ward No. 15 Shettyahalli sub division (Cat-II(A) Put to tender amount: Rs.40.23 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 40,230/-.
13	Construction of Roads and Drains in Shettyhalli Colony in ward No.16 Shettyahalli sub division (SC) Put to tender amount: Rs.29.11 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 29,110/-.
14	Construction of E Library Building and Toilet in Settyhalli colony in ward No.16 Shettyahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.44.39 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 88,780/-.
15	Improvements to Roads, Drains at Kalasththi Nagar in ward No. 19 T.Dasarahalli sub division (Others) Put to tender amount: Rs.16.14 Lakhs. EMD: Rs. 32,280/-.

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPP portal website: <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> of the Government of Karnataka from **07.03.2026 onwards.** 2) Tenders must be submitted online through KPP Portal **on or before 16.00 hrs. on 17.03.2026.** 3) Technical Bids will be opened on the website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> in the office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BNCC **on 18.03.2026 @ 16.30 hours.** 4) Financial Bids will be opened on the website <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> in the office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BNCC **on 23.03.2026 @ 16.30 hours. (If Possible).**
Further details can be had from the office of the above during office hours on all working days or from the website:<https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in>

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
Dasarahalli Division, Zone-2,
Bengaluru North City Corporation

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SALE NOTICE, E-AUCTION DATED: 30.03.2026

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City Centre, Red Cross Road, Durgapur-713216, Paschim Bardhaman, W.B., e-mail : cs8222@pnb.bank.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
LAST DATE & TIME OF SUBMISSION OF EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) AND DOCUMENTS: 30.03.2026 UP TO 2.00 PM
Sale of immovable property mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act, 2002 (No.54 of 2002)
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.
DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES [The Said Properties are under Constructive Possession/ Physical possession of the Secured Creditor]

Sr. No.	Name of the Branch Name of the Account Name of the Borrower/Guarantors	Description of the Immovable Properties Mortgaged/ Owner's Name (mortgagers of property(ies))	A) Dt. Of Demand Notice u/s 13(2) of SARFESI ACT 2002 B) Outstanding Amount as on C) Possession Date u/s 13(2) of SARFESI ACT 2002 D) Nature of Possession Symbolic/Physical/Constructive	A)Reserve Price B)EMD C)Bid Increase Amount	Date/ Time of E-Auction	Details of the encumbrances known to the secured creditors
1	098020-BURDWAN STATION BAZAR 1.Borrower:- M/S Das Catai Centre Prop: Late Bangshi Mohan Das , Address- B G Nandy Road ,syhyambazar,PO-Rajbati,Distt-Bardhaman,PIN-713101 2.Ms Kalpana Das (Wife and Legal Heirs of Late Bangshi Mohan Das) 3.Ajitesh Das (Son and Legal Heirs of Late Bangshi Mohan Das) 4.Animesh Das (Son and Legal Heirs of Late Bangshi Mohan Das) 5.Banti Das (Son and Legal Heirs of Late Bangshi Mohan Das) Address for SI No 2 to 4 : Mohan Das , B G Nandy Road ,syhyambazar,PO-Rajbati,Distt-Bardhaman,PIN-713101	All that piece and parcel of Land and Building situated at Distt:Burdwan, Mouza:Burdwan,JL No-30,RS Khatian No-1002,LR Khatian No-10025 &17259 ,RS Dag No-3364,LR Dag No-7072,Total Area-650 Sq Ft more or less as per deed no I-02140 of year 2010 in the name of Bangshi Mohan Das registered at ADSR Burdwan	A) 26.04.2022 (B) Rs. 18,10,364.38 (Rs Eighteen Lakh Ten Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Four and Paise Thirty Eight Only) as on 31.03.2022 with further interest and charges thereon until payment in full. (C.) 05.08.2022 (D)SYMBOLIC	(A) Rs 27,00,000/- (B) Rs 2,70,000/- (C) Rs 10,000/-	30-03-2026 From 11.00 AM to 4 P.M	Not Known
2	Burdwan Station Bazar (Sol Id 125410) Nobel Electrical A/C 12544011000178 Borrower -Nobel Electrical Proprietor - Sk Mustafa Co-Borrower- Sk Mostafa Son Of Sk Abdulla Guarantor- Mrs Rosena Yasmin W/o Sk Mustafa Address of Nobel Electrical : Ramkrishna Market , Tinkonia Bus Stand, G.T Road , Burdwan , Pincode- 713101 Address of Borrower and Guarantor : Plot No 224, JL No 144, KH No 45, Mouza Gabarpur, Village Amatia , Under Majhergram Panchayat , P.O Porguna, P.S Monteshwar , District Burdwan . Pincode- 713101	Equitable mortgage of land & two residential building situated at Mouza- gabarpur, Village- Amatia, JL No 144, KH No 45, Plot No 224, under Majhergram Panchayat , P.O- Porguna, P.S- Monteshwar, Mouza Gabarpur, District Burdwan vide Deed No 883 of 2002 and 1111 of 2011 standing in the name of Sk Mustafa S/o Sk Abdullah . Boundaries : East : Land of Mrs. Rakib , West : Road , South : Land of Owner , North : Road	(A) 28.07.2015 (B) Rs 23,68,529.06 (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Sixty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Nine Only) as on 30.06.2015 with further interest until payment in full . (C) 25.07.2016 (D) Symbolic	(A) Rs 17,75,700.00 (B) Rs 1,77,570.00 (C) Rs 10,000.00	30-03-2026 From 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM	Not Known
3	141820-BURDWAN MEDICAL COLLEGE RAJA BRICK FIELD 1418250021012 Address of RAJA BRICK FIELD Village Mashila Chandipur, P.O – Sasanga , Burdwan, Pin code- 713142 Proprietor: Mrs Bithika Mondal Borrower/Guarantor Mrs Bithikha Mondal W/O Mr. Subodh Mondal	Equitable Mortgage of Brick Field covered under Deed No.1208 of 2009, Mouza-Chandipur, JL NO-55,P.S-KHANDAGHOSH.DISTRICT-BURDWAN,RS KHATIAN NO 223,LR KHATIAN NO 284, RS PLOT NO 667, LR PLOT NO 936 measuring an area 11.50 decimal and covered under Deed No.195 of 2009, Mouza Chandipur, JL NO 55, PS-KHANDAGHOSH, DISTRICT BURDWAN, LR KHATIAN NO 284, RS PLOT NO 667, LR PLOT NO 936 measuring an area of 11.50 decimal (total area of land 23 decimal) in the name of Subodh Mondal as guarantor .	A)16-12-2016 B) Rs 16,62,930.44 Sixteen lakhs sixty two thousand nine hundred thirty and paise forty four only) as on 01-07-2016 with further interest until payment in full . C)28-12-2021 D) Symbolic	A) Rs 9,78,000/- B) Rs 97,800/- C)10000	30-03-2026 From 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM	Not Known
4	098020-BURDWAN STATION BAZAR Borrower name: M/S Flex well Prop: Basudeb Ghose Ac No: 0980250021429 Address of FLEX WELL: Villi-Dhamur, P.O- Sahaspur, PS-Indas, District-Bankura - 722205 Basudeb Ghose Prop M/S Flex well	All that piece and parcel of land and building measuring 26.5 cents at Mouza Manoharpur, JL NO 74, Plot No 411, RS Kh No-244/1, LR Kh No 329 under Sahaspur Gram Panchayat Village Dhamur , PO Sahaspur, PS Indas, Distt-Bankura.	A)09-11-2013 B)Rs 29,24,851.53/- (Rupees Twenty Nine lakhs twenty four thousand eight hundred fifty one and paise fifty three only) as on 31-07-2013 plus accrued interest, incidental expenses, cost & charges etc.till payment in full	A)22.02,000/- B)2,20,200/- C)10000	30-03-2026 From 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM	Not Known
5	BO: 098020 Burdwan Station Station Bazar Account: PRITI ELECTRICAL Borrower/Co-Borrower/s/Guarantor/Partner: PRITI ELECTRICAL Prop:Late SK Mojaffar Hossain Tildanga,Uttar para, Kalyanpur, PO & PS -Budbud, Dist : Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal -713403 TASMINA BIBI Wife & Legal Heir of Late SK Mojaffar Hossain, Tildanga, Uttar para, Kalyanpur, PO & PS -Budbud, Dist : Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal -713403 SK KHAIRUL HAQUE Son & Legal Heirs of Late SK Mojaffar Hossain,Tildanga, Uttar para, Kalyanpur,PO & PS -Budbud, Dist : Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal -713403 HOSNEHARA BEGUM W/O Monirul Mondal, Daughter & Legal Heir of Late SK Mojaffar Hossain, Tildanga,Uttar para, Kalyanpur, PO & PS -Budbud, Dist : Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal -713403 SK MAMTAZUL HAQUE Son & Legal Heir of Late SK Mojaffar Hossain, Tildanga,Uttar para, Kalyanpur, PO & PS -Budbud, Dist : Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal -713403	1. All that piece and parcel of land and building situated at Distt: Burdwan, PS-Budbud, Mouza- Kalyanpur, JL No-155, RS Kh. No-496, LR Kh. No-619, RS & LR Plot No-519, Area- 5 satak more or less, lass – Bastu within Budbud gram panchayat as per deed No-022000025 of year 2016 registered at ADSR,Manker in the name of SK Mojaffar Hossain alias Mojaffar SK S/O Noor Mohammad SK. 2. All that piece and parcel of land and building situated at Distt: Burdwan, PS-Budbud, Mouza- Sukdal, JL No-37, LR Kh No-2289, RS Plot No-654/3850, Area-0.54 satak (230sqft)more or less, Class -Bastu within Budbud gram panchayat as per Deed No-878 of year 2013 registered at ADSR Manker in the name of SK Mojaffar Hossain S/O Noor Mohammad SK. ***Possession Constructive***	A) 27.04.2022 B) 06.02.2024 C) Rs 34,65,376.05(Rupees Thirty Four lacs Sixty Five Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Six and Five Paise only) as mentioned in the previous notice.	Prop 1 A) Rs 14,14,000/- B) Rs 141400/- C) Rs 10,000/ Prop 2: A)3,98,000/- B) 39,800/- C)10000	30-03-2026 From 11.00 AM to 04.00 PM	Not Known

TERMS AND CONDITIONS
The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions:
1. The properties are being sold on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"
2. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorized Officer, but the Authorized Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement, or omission in this proclamation.
3. The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Website <https://www.baanknet.com> on 30.03.2026 from 11.00 AM to 4.00 PM.
4. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to website: www.baanknet.com.
5. For any queries regarding the terms and conditions of the sale, the interested bidders may contact Mr. Ranjan Kumar Shaw (Chief Manager- Authorised Officer) Mob: 9650602790.

STATUTORY 30/15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 (6) & RULE 9 (1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST ENFORCEMENT AMENDMENT RULES, 2002.

Date: 07.03.2026
Place: Durgapur

Authorised Officer,
Punjab National Bank

STATUTORY SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 9 (1) & 8 (6) OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002