



OFFICE OF THE DEPTUTY CONSERVATOR OF FOREST
BALLARI DIVISION, BALLARI

Conservation Value of the Protected Area
[For Sl.No.ii of Part-III]

The Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary situated in the Kudligi and Sandur Taluk of District Ballari and Molakalmuru Taluk of Chitradurga District, Karnataka lies between 14°50' N and 11°05' N latitude and 76°37' E and 55° 7' E longitude, covering a total geographic area of 167.66 Sq. Km. The Sanctuary was notified vide Notification No. FEE 72 FWL 2013 Dated: 11-11-2013 (3848.84 Ha) Modified vide Corrigendum No. FEE 432 FWL,2014 Dated: 21-09-2016 (for an area of 4761.37 Ha). Further, vide Notification No. FEE-62 FWL-2019 Dated: 16-05-2019 and are of 12005.48 Ha has been notified. Thus, the total extent of the Gudekote Sloth Bear Sancuary is 16766.85 ha. The area is primarily notified in the for the conservation of the endangered mammal the Sloth Bear.

The Sanctuary's rocky boulder terrain with cave scrub jungle is an ideal habitat for the Sloth Bear and the Sanctuary. Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary also has other faunal species like Blak buck, Common Langur, Common fox, Fuit bat, Hyaena, Hare, Indian Magoose, Panther, Rat Squirrel, Spotted Deer, Wild boar, Cobra Chameleon, Garden lizard, Krait Monitor lizard, Python, Rat snake, Tortoise, etc, some of which area Schedule-I species and it also forms a habitat for about 150 species of brids and reptiles such as Star Tortoise, Python, Russell's Viper, Red Sand Boar, Cobra etc.,.


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