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West Bengal News

### 3 new habitats for rhinos



#### Context

- The Forest department is developing **three new habitats for rhinoceros**
- This is done to balance their population that **has exponentially increased both at Jaldapara and Gorumara National Park in North Bengal.**
- The new habitats for the one-horned rhinos are coming up at **Patlakhawa in Cooch Behar, at Nimti under Buxa Tiger Reserve and at Lankapara under the Jaldapara National Park.**

#### About Rhinos

- Rhinos have long been hunted for their horns, which are highly valued in some cultures.
- The five surviving rhino species (**Black and White African rhino, Asian rhino species – greater one-horned, Sumatran and Javan rhinos**) are still threatened by habitat loss and hunting.

#### IUCN Status:

- Greater one-horned Rhino: **Vulnerable**
- Sumatran Rhino: **Critically Endangered**
- Javan Rhino: **Vulnerable**
- Black African Rhino: **Critically Endangered**
- White African Rhino: **Near Threatened**

### Israeli film 'Children of Nobody' bags Golden Royal Bengal Tiger Award

#### Context

- Israeli film '**Children of Nobody**' bagged the coveted **Golden Royal Bengal Tiger Award for Best Film** at the **29th Kolkata International Film Festival (KIFF)**
- It was written and directed by **Erez-Tadmor from Tel-Aviv**
- The film narrates the journey of troubled boys who must band together to save the shelter for at-risk youth that has kept them off the streets.

### EVM campaign

#### Context

- The Election Commission has initiated an **extensive campaign** with live demonstrations of the voting machines across the entire state
- It **aims to educate voters, particularly first-timers**, on the operation of EVMs considering their crucial role in the electoral process.



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### About EVM

- EVMs are **electronic voting machines** that enable the voter with a button for each choice of candidate.
- It is attached by a cable to an electronic ballot box.
- It comprises two units – **a control unit and a balloting unit.**
- It can even be used in areas that have no electricity.
- The control unit is with the **Election Commission-selected polling officer.**
- The Balloting Unit is in the voting section into which the voter enter to cast their vote in secret by pressing the button against the name and sign of the candidate of their choice

### Buxa Tiger Reserve



### Context

- The Chief Minister has ordered to relocation of two forest villages — **Bhutia Basti and Gangutia Basti** to conserve tigers.
- These two forest villages are located within the **core area of the Buxa Tiger Reserve.**

### About Buxa TR

- It is a tiger reserve in **Alipurduar district, West Bengal.**
- **Created in 1983 as the 15th Tiger Reserve**
- Its northern boundary runs along the international border with Bhutan.
- The Sinchula hill range lies all along the northern side of BTR and the eastern boundary touches that of the Assam state.
- It represents the **highly endemic Indo-Malayan region.**
- The fragile “Terai Ecosystem” constitutes a part of this reserve.
- The **Phibsoo Wildlife Sanctuary of Bhutan** is contiguous to the north of BTR. Manas National Park lies east of BTR.
- BTR, thus, serves as an international corridor for **Asian elephant migration between India and Bhutan.**
- Some of the rivers flowing through this reserve are **Jayanti, Sankosh, Raidak, Churnia, Turturi, Dima, Nonani, and Phashkhawa.**
- The forest of the reserve is classified as the **Moist Tropical forest.**



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### Cyber training for institution heads

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- The School Education department has started **special training on cyber awareness for the heads of institutions** across the state.
- It is a virtual training programme titled '**Cyber Hygiene**'
- The purpose of 'Cyber Hygiene' is aimed **at equipping the headmasters to remain safe and secure from hackers.**

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