



REPORT ON CAPTIVE BREEDING OF RHINO IN INDIA

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There are presently 11 zoos in India holding Indian rhinos, e.g. Kanpur Zoo (4.1), Calcutta Zoo (2.1), Nandankanan Zoo (1.1), Chhatbir Zoo (2.0), Delhi Zoo (1.1), Mysore Zoo (1.0), Hyderabad Zoo (1.0), Patna Zoo (3.3), Guwahati Zoo (8.3), Bombay Zoo (1.0) and Trivandrum Zoo (2.0).

The zoos that have successfully bred Indian rhino in India are Mysore, Gauhati, Calcutta, Delhi, Hyderabad, Patna, Chandigarh and Kanpur.

Of these Delhi, Calcutta, Gauhati and Patna already have breeding pairs. Nandankanan has a pair of breeding age although they have not yet produced offspring. Kanpur has a fertile female but the males at that zoo are young and her own offspring.

The dates of last breeding in different zoos is

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| Mysore | 1975 |
| Hyderabad | 1981 |
| Chandigarh | 1986 |
| Gauhati | 1989 |
| Kanpur | 1991 |
| Delhi | 1992 |
| Patna | 1994 |

The remaining zoos have breeding age single animals, e.g. Bombay, Mysore, Hyderabad, Chandigarh, Trivandrum.

There have been only two mortalities of animals with age of less than 5 years after 1961.

The Kanpur Zoo has been designated as Studbook Keeper and has published an Indian National Studbook of the Great Indian Rhinoceros.



Great Indian Rhino family at Patna Zoo