

Minutes of the Meeting held with High Commissioner of Republic of  
Malaysia on 31.7.2024 at High Commission of Malaysia , 50-M, Satya  
Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

After exchanging the pleasantries, the Interim Director General, International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) briefed His Excellency High Commissioner of Republic of Malaysia in India about establishment of International Big Cat Alliance, with headquarters in India.

2. It was informed that IBCA is established with a Mission and Vision to provide platform for partnership and cooperation among big cat range countries so as to ensure a viable population of big cats. It was also informed that India has five (5) out of seven (7) big cats and is global leader in Tiger, Lion, Leopard and Snow Leopard conservation. India has also demonstrated successful inter-continental wild to wild Cheetah translocation from African countries and its re-introduction in India. In view of this, India has a lot to offer (best practices and expertise) to other range countries for conservation of big cats. IBCA would be a platform through which the expertise and best practices could be shared with all the range countries.

3. India has gained extensive experience in habitat restoration, increase in forest cover and wildlife conservation. The intensive management of wildlife areas, mitigation of human wildlife conflict, eco-tourism biodiversity conservation, community involvement are considered key to the improved state of affairs. With a strong legal and Government support with practical policies to dovetail conservation in the course of development are also considered important in the present status of forest and wildlife.

4. The High Commissioner informed about Malayan Tigers in Malaysia. Interim DG also referred about Malayan Tigers and various sub-species of Tigers found in India and several other Range countries in the world and offered support to Malaysia for capacity building of staff involved in protection and conservation of these species. The High Commissioner was informed that IBCA is in regular touch with Focal Point, IBCA from Malaysia as well as Indian Mission in Kua Lumpur for signing of Framework Agreement by Republic of Malaysia for joining IBCA.

5. Interim DG also sought cooperation and support of Republic of Malaysia to take forward the initiative for conservation of the seven big cat species. He also requested that Republic of Malaysia to consider joining the IBCA.

**List of participants-High Commission of Republic of Malaysia**

- (i) H.E. Mr. Dato' Muzafar Shah Mustafa, High Commissioner of Republic of Malaysia in India.

**List of participants- IBCA**

- (i) Dr S.P. Yadav, Interim DG, IBCA
- (ii) Mr. Juglal Singh, Admn and Communication Analyst