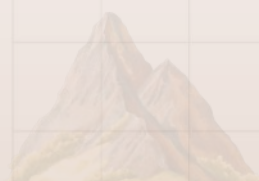
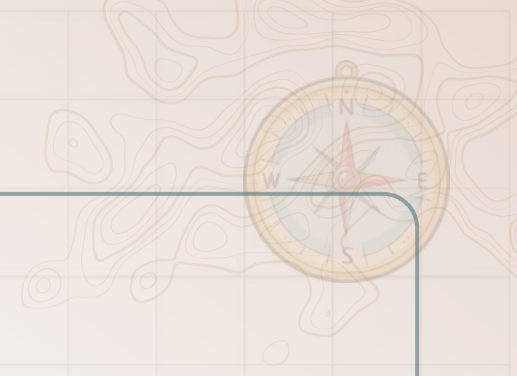




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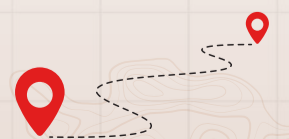
- **Wildlife** - Animals, birds and insects living in forests.
- **India animal species** - More than 80,000.
- **World share** - 6.5 per cent of world's total species.
- **Indian fauna** - 6,500 invertebrates, 5,000 molluscs, 2,546 fishes, 2,000 birds, 458 reptiles, 4 panther species and 60,000 insects.
- **Elephant** - Largest Indian mammal.
- **One-horned rhinoceros** - India's second largest mammal.
- **Rhinoceros protection** - Kaziranga, Manas and Jaldapara.
- **Arna / Wild buffalo** - Assam and Bastar in Chhattisgarh.
- **Gaur / Indian bison** - Forests of Central India.
- **Tiger Census 2022** - India has 3,682 tigers.
- **Asiatic lion** - Gir forests of Gujarat.
- **Yak** - Ox of snow, found in Ladakh.
- **Barasingha** - Assam, Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh.
- **Bird species in India** - About 2,000.
- **Migratory birds** - Visit Bharatpur / Keoladeo National Park in winter.
- **Indian Board for Wildlife** - Constituted in 1952.
- **Wildlife Protection Act** - 1972.
- **Wildlife Protection Act amendment** - 1991.
- **National Parks** - 106 as per chapter.

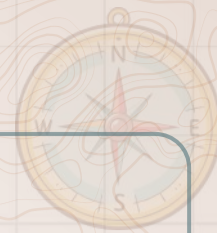




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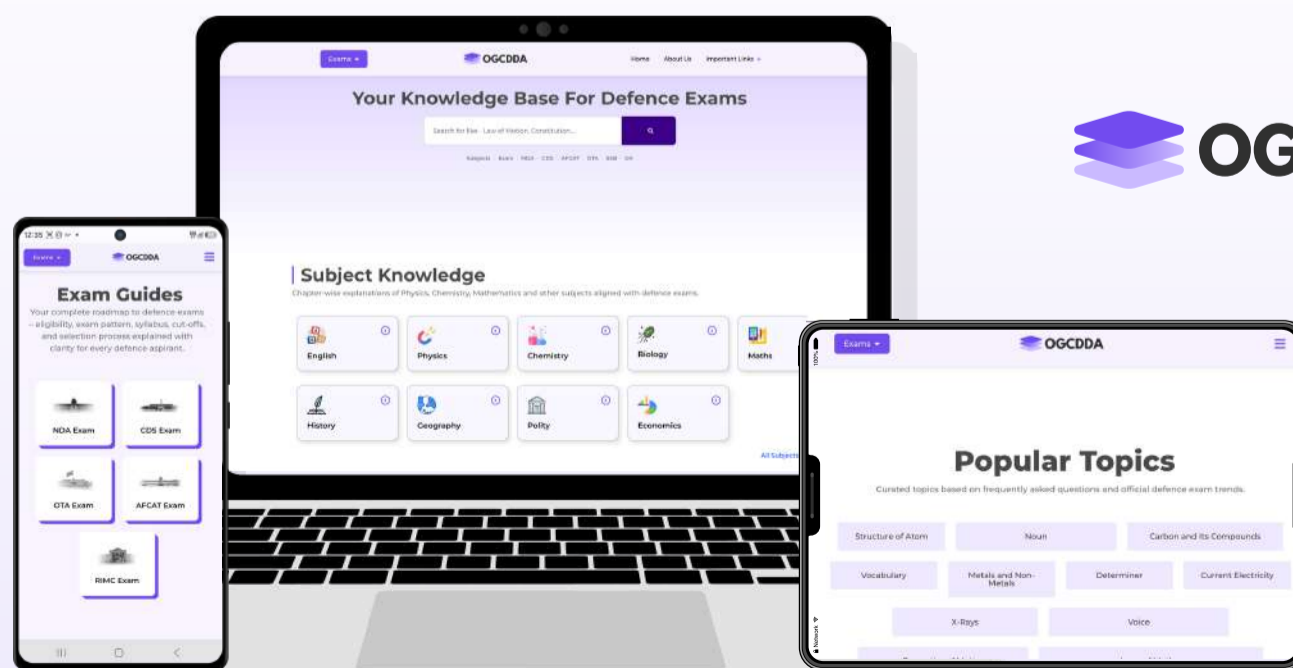
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