



Think



When International Tiger Day is celebrated?



Anu: Grandpa, you know I love elephants. Is there any sanctuary that protects Elephants?



Grandfather: Yes, The Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve not only has elephants but also has Indian leopard, Black panther and Nilgiri tahr.

Leopard



Nilgiri tahr



Black panther



Anu: Grandpa, you said biosphere reserves also protect plants. What kinds of plants can be found here?



Grandfather: There are different species of flowering plants. One among them is Kurinchi flower which blossoms only once in twelve years.

Kurinchi flowers



Anu: It must be so beautiful.





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Stick pictures of any three animals found in Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve and write the name of the animals below it.



Anu: What about birds?



Grandfather: If you want to see different types of birds, then we must visit **Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary**.



Anu: Where is it?



Grandfather: It is 25 kms from Chengalpattu.

Anu: I am sure there are some really unique and colourful birds.

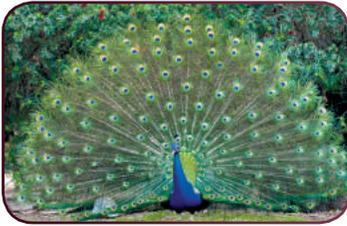




Grandfather: Yes, Anu, birds that migrate from different parts of the world can be found here. You can find pelicans, night herons and many more birds.



Migrate: A bird or an animal moves from one place to another due to change in seasons.



Anu: Can we find peacocks there?



Grandfather: No Anu. Peacocks can be found in their natural habitat at **Viralimalai** in **Trichy**.

Anu: I would love to visit this place.



Think



Think and discuss the differences between birds that migrate and birds that do not migrate.

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Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary is the oldest water birds sanctuary in India.





Grandfather: Sure. Do I tell you about the one-horned rhinoceros?

Anu: Are there one-horned rhinoceros?



One-horned rhinoceros



Grandfather: Yes, Anu. Very rare species of rhinoceros are protected in **Kaziranga National Park**.

Anu: Where is it?



Grandfather: It is in **Assam**.



Kaziranga National Park is the home of one-horned rhinoceros. It has around two-thirds of all rhinoceros in the world. Due to the successful conservation efforts, the number of one-horned rhinoceros have been increased.





ACTIVITY
Let us discuss
and write.



Name some of the animals or birds found in the following places.

Viralimalai Sanctaury	Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve	Kaziranga National Park	Corbett National Park



The three Biosphere Reserves in Tamil Nadu are:

- Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve.
- Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve.
- Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve.





Asiatic Lions



Anu: Grandpa, you did not tell me about lions.



Grandfather: Oh yes! Gir National Park in Gujarat has Asiatic Lions.

Anu: Very interesting.



Grandfather: Animals, birds and different types of plants are important part of our environment.

Anu: Yes Grandpa, we must never harm them. It is our duty to protect them.





Glossary

Environment : The natural place where the plant or animal live.

Sanctuary : A place where animals and birds are protected.

Species : A particular type of plant or animal.



Recap

- Sanctuaries or National Parks are places where animals and birds are protected from hunting and other human activities.
- Biosphere reserves are the places where plants, animals and birds are protected.
- Royal Bengal Tigers can be seen in Corbett National Park, Uttarakhand and Sunderbans National Park, West Bengal.
- Some Biosphere Reserves in Tamil Nadu include Nilgiri Biosphere reserve, Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve and Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve.
- Kaziranga National Park in Assam is the home of one-horned rhinoceros.





EVALUATION



I. Choose the correct answer.

- Corbett National Park is at _____.
a) Uttarakhand b) Bangaluru c) Chennai
- The National Park in West Bengal is _____.
a) Sunderbans National Park b) Gir National Park
c) Anna National Park
- _____ sanctuary is at Vedanthangal.
a) Lions b) Birds c) Tigers
- There are _____ Biosphere Reserves in Tamil Nadu.
a) three b) five c) four
- Gir national Park is in _____.
a) Gujarat b) Assam c) Hyderabad



II. Match the following.

1	Tiger	-	Nilgiris
2	Lion	-	West Bengal
3	Elephant	-	Assam
4	Birds	-	Gujarat
5	One horned rhinoceros	-	Vedanthangal





IV. Answer the following.

1. What is sanctuary?
2. What are the animals protected in the Corbett National Park?
3. Name the animals in Nilgiris Biosphere.
4. Where are one - horned rhinoceros protected?
5. How should we treat animals?



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PROJECT:



Name the state for the following Sanctaury / National Park / Biosphere Reserve.

- 1) Vedanthangal Bird Sanctaury
- 2) Gir National Park
- 3) Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve
- 4) Kaziranga National Park
- 5) Corbett National Park





 **Learning Objectives**

Children will be able to:

- ❖ understand how a district functions.
- ❖ know about different departments working in the district.
- ❖ know the responsibility of district collectors.



A small girl named **Kaveri** and her **Father** are at home. They are watching news on the television.





Father: Kaveri, the **district collector** has given order that the schools will be remain closed from tomorrow till further notice because of heavy rain.



District Collector

Kaveri: Ahaaaa (Dancing)
No school!
District Collector
Who is **district collector** dad?



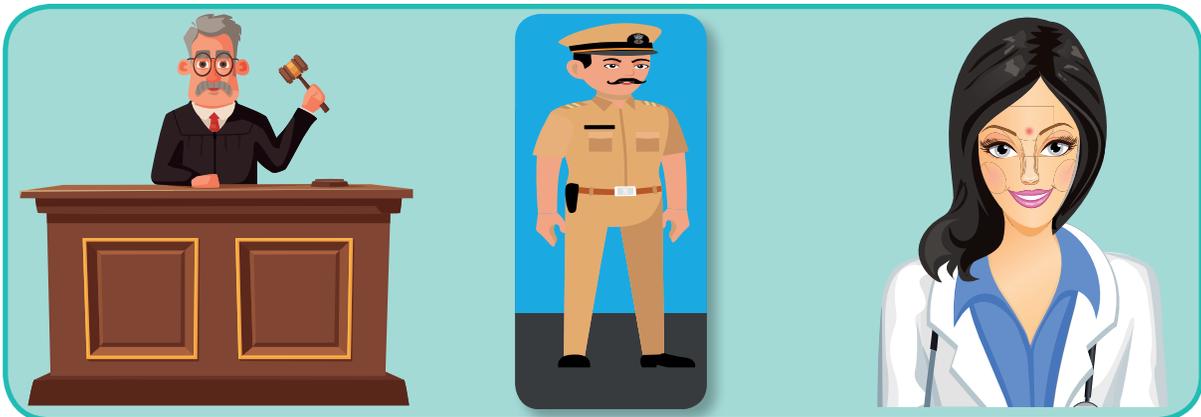
Father: **District collector** is the Administrative head of a district. District Collector is responsible for proper and smooth functioning of the district.

Kaveri: One person takes care of everything?





Father: No Kaveri, there are more subordinates in district administration to assist the district collector like **District Medical officer, Superintendent of police, District Forest officer, Chief Educational Officer, Revenue Divisional Officer (RDO) and other Officers.** These heads take care of their own departments. They all are a part of the district administration system. However, district collector is responsible for proper working of all departments to make sure that people are benefited by the government.



Health officers are responsible for government hospitals in the district. The person in charge advises on health and sanitation of the district.

Think



Name some of the duties of Policemen.





Superintendent of Police: Superintendent is responsible for the police force in the district. Law and order is maintained in the district with the assistance from all police officers like inspectors and constables.



Call '100' to reach out to police in case of emergency.



ACTIVITY

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Find the missing letters using the hints.

(Hints)

- Administrative head of the district. C _ l _ e c t _ r.
- Maintains law in and order. P _ l _ c _.
- Advises on health. D _ c _ r.
- Teaches morality. T _ _ c h _ r.





Kaveri: Dad, how is a district collector selected?



Father: I.A.S. officers are recruited by **U.P.S.C (Union Public Service Commission)**. These I.A.S. officers are appointed as district collectors.



District Educational Office monitors **Educational and Administrative** activities in the district.



The **Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission (TNPSC)** is recruited the State's public service personnel.





Kaveri: Dad, can you tell me more about them?



Father: **District Collector** is the head of the revenue department.

- ❖ District collector seeks assistance from the police force to maintain law and order in the district. **Superintendent of Police** follows the order of the district collector. They inform district collector time to time about the law and order of the district.
- ❖ District collector also supervises local bodies like district board, village panchayat and municipal committees.
- ❖ Prompt actions during natural disaster are taken by the district collector.
- ❖ District collector has a major role in the development of the government.
- ❖ District collector makes sure that the policies should reach the people.

Kaveri: Ok dad! I will share all this in my class and learn more details about our district with my friends and teachers.



Glossary

Natural disaster: A natural event that results in huge damage.

Personnel : People working in a particular department.





ACTIVITY

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Write True or False.

- District collector takes actions during natural disaster. ()
- District collector does not supervise local bodies. ()
- The Superintendent of police does not make sure that policy reaches the people. ()
- District collector works along with different department heads for the smooth functioning of the district.()



Recap

- District collector is the Administrative head of the district.
- District collector is responsible for the proper and smooth functioning of the district.
- District administration system is constituted of different department of the district such as police department, medical department, forest department, and educational department.
- District collector seeks assistance from the police force to maintain law and order in the district.
- Prompt actions during natural disaster are taken by the district collector.





EVALUATION



I. Choose the correct answer.

- _____ administrative head of the district.
a) District collector b) Judge
c) Superintendent of Police
- _____ are responsible for government hospitals.
a) Policemen b) Forest Officer c) Drivers
- _____ is maintained by the police department.
a) Health b) Forest c) Law and order
- _____ ensures the proper functioning of educational department in a district.
a) Forest Officer b) Chief Educational officer
c) Health Officer
- _____ advises on sanitation of the district.
a) Health Officer b) Forest Officer c) Revenue Officer



II. True or False.

- District collectors are appointed through exams conducted by U.P.S.C. ()
- Teacher gives order to make sure different policies reach people in the district. ()
- Chief Educational Officer takes care of the education department. ()
- Police officers are responsible for the government hospitals. ()
- Forest officer takes care of the forest department.()





III. Answer the following.

1. Who is the Administrative head of the district?
2. How are the District Collectors selected?
3. Name any three departments of the district.
4. Who maintains law and order in the district?
5. Write about the Health Officer.



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PROJECT: 

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Name some of the departments functioning in your District.



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