## The following concerns regarding the Similipal Tiger Project and tourism are being shared for public awareness.

## **Day Tourism**

- 1. The Similipal Tiger Reserve will be opened for tourism from October 18th 2025.
- 2. A maximum of 60 per day four-wheelers with valid vehicle document as per law and with 180 mm or more ground clearance will be allowed to enter the Similipal Tiger Reserve through Jashipur (35 vehicles) and Pithabata Check Gate, Baripada (25 vehicles). Heavy vehicles are not allowed. Tourists in private vehicles will be allowed to enter between 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM at Pithabata gate and between 5:00 AM to 9:00 AM through Jashipur. Tourists have to leave Tiger Reserve through exit gate by 6:00 PM on the same day.
- Entry Permit for entry into Similipal Sanctuary can be obtained through the website www.similipal.org only. ID proof is required to be shown at entry gate.
- 4. Before entering the tiger reserve, tourists will have to give a written undertaking to comply with the existing norms. Any violation of the rules is punishable by law.
- 5. All vehicles, passengers and their luggage will be checked at the entry and exit points.
- 6. All visitors must leave the Joranda and Barehipani waterfalls before 4:00 PM.
- 7. Tourists will prepare their return journey in such a way that they will cross Check Gate by 6:00 PM on the same day.
- 8. By violation of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, littering of the park, violations of the rules by vehicles shall be dealt as per law.
- 9. The decision to open the Similipal Tiger Reserve for tourism will be monitored by the authorities of Similipal from time to time and in case of inclement weather conditions the park can be closed.
- 10.It is mandatory to take a guide with every vehicle while in the Similipal Tiger Reserve.

## Open Jeep Wildlife Safari (Vehicle deployed by Similipal Tiger Project):

- 1. The Open Jeep Wildlife Safari is managed by local EDCs ( Eco Development Committee).
- 2. Tourist for Open Jeep Wildlife Safari in Similipal Tiger Reserve. Bookings must be made through the website <a href="https://www.ecotourodisha.com">www.ecotourodisha.com</a>.
- 3. Tourists can start the safari from Gudugudia, Pithabata Check Gate (Baripada), Jamuani Check Gate, Talabandha Check Gate and Barehipani.
- 4. Morning time wildlife safari will start from 05:30 AM and end in five hours and evening time wildlife safari will start from 2:00 PM and end in four hours.
- 5. The safari organizers will not be held responsible for any loss, theft, or damage to luggage, wallets, or other personal belongings at any point during the Safari.
- 6. The decision to open the Similipal Tiger Reserve for tourism will be monitored by the authorities of Similipal from time to time and depending on weather conditions, the Safari can be cancelled.

## Overnight tourism:

- 1. Overnight stay at the tourist lodges at Kumari, Gudgudia, Talabandha, Barehipani and Jamuani of Similipal Tiger Reserve. Bookings must be made in advance on the website <a href="https://www.ecotourodisha.com">www.ecotourodisha.com</a>.
- 2. Tourists will prepare their return journey in such a way that they will exit the Tiger Reserve by 6:00 PM. Night time movement will not be allowed.

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