

# 106 COASTAL SITES PICKED FOR CONSERVATION

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The Centre has identified over 100 coastal and marine sites as conservation reserves under its National Wildlife Action Plan for 2017-2031, a biennial report released by the government said.

As per the second biennial update report (BUR) of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, submitted to the UN body on climate change in December 2018, India is encouraging participation of local communities in governance by recognising the conservation reserves. "India is implementing measures to sustainably harness the potential of blue economy while building the climate resilience of the ecosystems and local coastal communities. Around 106 coastal and marine sites have been identified as conservation or community reserves to increase participation of local communities in governance," it said.

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