

# Day 7

**Date:** 2nd March 2022

**Venue:** Youtube

**Link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YepL7anMpx4>

Day 7 of the event was conducted on the 2nd March 2022. **Ishaan Jukar (D8)** provided some information about the Wildlife in Maharashtra - Radhanagari Wildlife Sanctuary.

Firstly viewers were given some information about Radhanagari Wildlife Sanctuary it is a wildlife sanctuary and natural World Heritage Site since 2012, located in Kolhapur District in Maharashtra State, India. It lies at the southern end of the Sahyadri hills in the Western Ghats. It is notable as the first declared wildlife sanctuary in Maharashtra, notified in 1958, as "Dajipur Wildlife Sanctuary" and is popularly known as the "Bison Sanctuary". The area around the Sanctuary was declared as an Eco-sensitive zone by Govt. of India on 15th October 2020.

Secondly, geographical information was also shared- The Krishna River Tributaries, Bhogavati River, Dudhganga River, Tulshi River, Kallamma River, and Dirba River flow through the sanctuary's area. State Highway 116(Kankavli- Kolhapur) passes through the center of the sanctuary. It is located in the Sahyadri hill ranges. The total area of the sanctuary is 351 km<sup>2</sup> (136 sq mi).

The next speaker gave some light on the flora and fauna found in the sanctuary. Various types of medicinal plants, shrubs, ephemeral bulbs, bamboo, and much more. Fauna such as Indian leopard, sloth bear, wild boar, barking deer, mouse deer, sambar, giant squirrel, and wild dogs. Birds are also seen here such as vultures, eagles, jungle fowl, quails, plovers, sandpipers, owlets, doves, owls, nightjars, kingfishers, bee-eater, hornbills, woodpeckers, bulbul, flycatchers, warblers, are commonly seen. This sanctuary is designated as an Important Bird Area by BirdLife International and is home to the rare and globally threatened Nilgiri wood-pigeon

Overall, the session shed light on the wildlife of Maharashtra and was concluded with the vote of thanks given by **Nandita Jadia (D8)**.



Speaker- Ishaan Jukar (D8)



## Introduction

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