

## DO'S & DON'TS IF YOU SPOT A LEOPARD







Go out in groups, play music or make noise when you are moving alone in leopard-inhabited areas, so that the animal becomes aware of your presence and will move away



In case a leopard enters a human habitation, don't gather near or surround the leopard as it can attack on being threatened by a mob



Stall-feed the cattle instead of grazing them in a forest



Do not approach areas where leopard has been spotted. A leopard may move away by itself. Inform other people so that they can avoid a particular area or route



If you observe a leopard on the way, give it way or space Leopards are not always a threat



Avoid keeping young children unattended near your house or sending them alone on village roads during dusk, dawn or night



Keep all livestock secure behind leopard-proof grills



Don't tie up pet dogs or leave them unguarded in the open at night, as leopards are attracted to them



Cover garbage bins and maintain an efficient garbage disposal system, as garbage attracts stray dogs, herbivores, and other animals to human habitations, which in turn can attract leopards



Don't let children play outside, or send elderly people outdoors alone in the dark



Clear bushes and tall grass around your house. This will prevent leopards from hiding close to your house



Don't show any sign of panic or aggression and don't make any sudden movement in front of a leopard as it can attack in defense



Keep the surroundings of your house lit during the evening and night, and always carry a torch when you go out early in the morning or late at night



Avoid defecation in open areas, instead use toilets



Inform the forest department if you see cubs without a mother. Do not pick up the cubs as the mother can be nearby and may attack



Do not crowd near leopard rescue operations or try to take photos and videos. Allow rescue teams to carry out their work without obstructing them



Call the forest department in case a leopard enters a human habitation, building or home



Don't graze cattle in or around forests during the early morning, late evening, or at night when leopards are most active

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