

**Indicator 26 : Ratio of Area Protected to Maintain Biological Diversity
to Surface Area**

Protected area	Area (Hectare)	
	1990	2006
Strict Nature Reserves (SNR)	31,574	31,574
National Parks (NP)	440,337	532,263
Nature Reserves (NR)	25,019	57,059
Jungle Corridors	-	8,777
Sanctuaries	234,893	303,826
Total protected area	731,823	933,499
Total area	6,561,000	6,561,000
Protected area to total surface area, as a percentage	11.15	14.23

Source : Department of Wild Life Conservation

DEFINITION

The ratio of area protected to maintain biological diversity to surface area is defined as nationally protected area as a percentage of total surface area. Protected areas, both terrestrial and marine, are totaled and expressed as a percentage of the total surface area of the country.