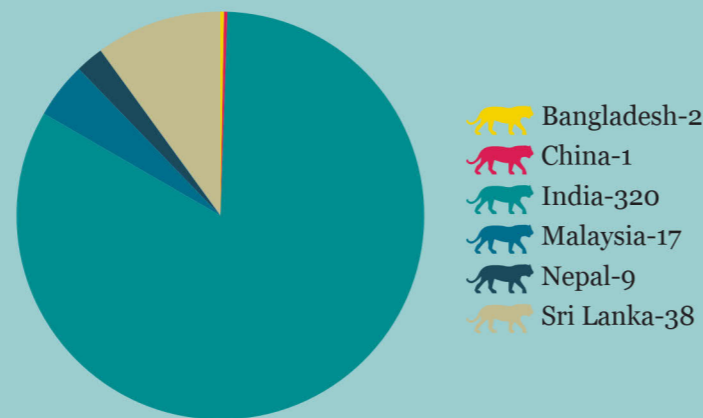


SNARING OF BIG CATS IN MAINLAND ASIA : 2012-2021

A MINIMUM OF
**387 CAPTURED
IN SNARES**



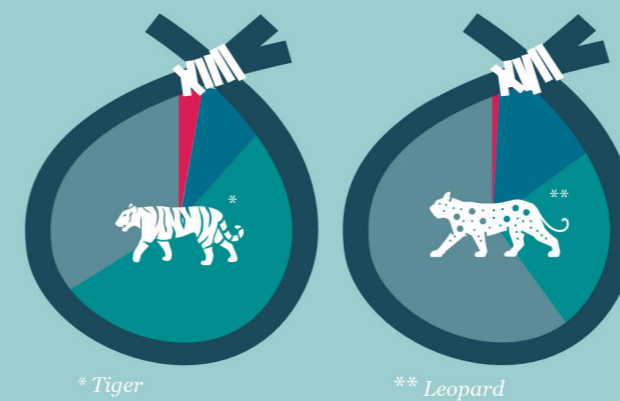
**BIG CAT MORTALITY FROM
SNARES BY COUNTRY**







The majority of snaring cases occurred outside Protected Areas

65% for tiger
93% for leopard

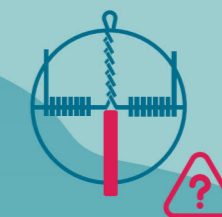
**MOTIVATION FOR BIG CAT
SNARING INCIDENTS**



-  Retaliatory killing following human wildlife conflict
-  Accidental captures in snares set to protect crops
-  Targeted poaching for big cats
-  Accidental capture in snares set for ungulates

50% of tiger snaring incidents were targeted poaching for tiger

59% of leopard snaring incidents were a result of capture in snares set for ungulates



54% for tiger
56% for leopard
% of cases when the reason the snare was set is unknown

From 2012 to 2019

From 2012 and 2019 between 2 and 14 tigers were caught in snares annually in India

During the same period between 17 and 29 tigers were poached annually

Therefore snaring may be the cause of >40% of tiger poaching mortality in India

Data on the capture of *Panthera* cats across all Asian countries between 2012 and 2021 was collated from open-source media reports and publications, the Wildlife Trade Information System of TRAFFIC and official databases of the Indian National Tiger Conservation Authority. Where stated we recorded the reason snares were set and the location of the snaring incident.