

**Name** : Priya Ranjan Sinha  
**Date of Birth** : 7<sup>th</sup> June 1953  
**Date of Joining** : Joined Indian Forest Service in March 1977  
**Date of Retirement** : 30<sup>th</sup> July 2013  
**Area of Specialization** : Wild Life management & Nature Conservation

**Professional Qualification In Relevant Area:** Post Graduate Diploma in Wild Life Management from Wild Life Institute of India in 1982-83

Current Assignment: Country Representative, International Union Of Conservation Of Nature,,India Office New Delhi(IUCN has Permanent Observer Status At The United Nations As An Intergovernmental Organization )

**Experience In The Field Of Wild Life Management**

Served in State & Central Govt. for over 36 years, out of which about 30 years in the area of Wild Life Management, Research and Training

- Six years in Palamau Tiger Reserve as Deputy Director And Field Director
- Five years as Director, Patna Zoo,
- Five years as Member Secretary Central Zoo Authority, Govt. of India,
- Eight years as Director, Wild life Institute of India, Dehradun
- 3 years as Conservator of Forest, Extension, Training & Publication, Bihar

**Membership of Institution / organization:**

- Founder President of Society of Hill Resource Management School (SHRMS), an organization working in villages for sustainable and equitable utilization of natural resources. (It received 1<sup>st</sup> Rajiv Gandhi Parti Bhumi Mitra Award in 1997, instituted by Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India for its innovative work at grass root level
- Member, Project Advisory Committee “Ecosystems for Life” A joint Bangladesh- India initiative under the aegis of IUCN .
- Member, State Board For Wildlife, Govt. of Bihar

**Participation in International Conference / convention**

- Represented India at World Association of Zoos & Aquariums (WAZA) and Conservation Breeding Specialist Group (CBSG) in Oct 1999 at Pretoria, South Africa; in Oct 2001 at Perth, Australia and in Aug 2002 at Vienna, Austria
- Official delegates to World Conservation Congress (WCC) of IUCN at Bangkok in Nov 2004, Barcelona Spain in Oct 2008 & Jeju, South Korea in Sept 2012
- Official delegate to the Conference of Parties (COP) & Standing Committee of the CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species) at Hague in June 2007, Doha (Qatar) in March 2010, Geneva (Switzerland) in August 2011 and Bangkok in March 2013.
- Official Delegate to COP, CMS (Convention on Migratory species) at Rome, in Dec 2008
- Participated in Indo- China Bilateral meeting in Tiger Conservation in August Sept 2010 at Beijing
- Participated in PAC meeting on Ecosystem for life in March 2013 at Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Participated in COP-CBD (Convention on Biological Diversity) in Oct 2012 at Hyderabad , India

### **Major Contribution in the Field of Wild Life & Nature Conservation**

- Institutional Reforms – Administrative, Financial and HRD-in Wild Life Institute between 2005-2008
- Implementation of Tiger Reintroduction in Sariska & Panna Tiger Reserve
- Supervision of Gaur Reintroduction project in Bandavgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Red Panda in Singalila Nation Park, WB
- Framing of Guideline for Recovery of Endangered Terrestrial Wild Animal.
- Framing of Rules prescribing standards for housing of Wild Animals in Zoos.
- Implementation of all India Tiger Estimation Programmes in 2006 and 2010.
- Formulation of Guideline for managing Blue Bull- Human Conflict.
- Implementation of Rescue and Rehabilitation Programme of over 300 lions and Tigers seized from circus across the country.
- Advisory Support in Amendment to “Wild Life Protection Act 1972”
- Establishment of Laboratory for conservation of Endangered species – a joint venture of CSIR- DBT & CZA A State Of Art facility for biotechnological intervention for Conservation of Endangered species at Hyderabad