

TIGERS OF THE WORLD

THE SCIENCE, POLITICS, AND CONSERVATION OF *PANTHERA TIGRIS*

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The second edition of *Tigers of the World* explores tiger biology, ecology, and conservation management; advances in technology, field methods, planning, and funding; and the current status and fate of the world's wild and captive tigers. In 1987, when the first edition was published, our knowledge of tiger conservation was in its infancy. Two decades later there has been a revolution not only in what is known, but in how information about tigers is obtained and disseminated. In the fast-changing world of conservation, there is a great need to summarize and synthesize this interdisciplinary knowledge, to put it into historical perspective, and to speculate on what yet remains to be done.

Tigers of the World, second edition, fulfills this need by bringing together in a unique way the world's leading tiger experts into one volume. The collective conclusion of the book's authors is sobering: wild tigers are facing a serious crisis. Habitat for tigers is disappearing, illegal harvesting and trade continues, and more tigers live in captivity than in the wild. Despite these challenges there are successes and valuable lessons for tiger specialists as well as scholars, managers, policymakers, and the public working with or interested in biodiversity conservation and management, large carnivores, zoos and captive breeding, sustainable development, and international relations.

KEY FEATURES

- *Chronicles the past 20 years of science and conservation innovation from nearly 100 of the world's leading experts on the biology, politics, and conservation of tigers.*
- *Describes the latest methods used to obtain and disseminate information needed for sustainable conservation and management of this species.*
- *Includes coverage on genetics and ecology, policy and planning, poaching and trade, survey methods, human-wildlife conflict, captive breeding and farming, and the status of Asia's remaining wild tigers.*
- *Reviews the current status and future of tigers from the Indian subcontinent, Russian Far East, Indo-Malayan region, and China as well as historical perspectives on tigers chronicling hundreds of years in Indonesia and thousands of years in China.*
- *Provides an excellent resource for professionals and graduate courses in conservation biology, wildlife management, and environmental studies and science.*

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