

# Roha forest is conservation reserve now

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MUMBAI: Nearly 27sq km of reserved forest, which is part of the Roha Forest division in Thane district has been notified as a Conservation Reserve.

The state now has around 27 Conservation Reserves and of these around 19 are in the western region.

“The Roha Conservation Reserve has been carved entirely out of the reserved forest area where there are no forest rights applicable and even forest land which is under litigation has been left out. This will now enable a wildlife centre conservation. A 10 year draft management plan will be prepared and a committee

set up for its implementation,” said V Clement Ben, additional principal chief conservator of forests, western wildlife region.