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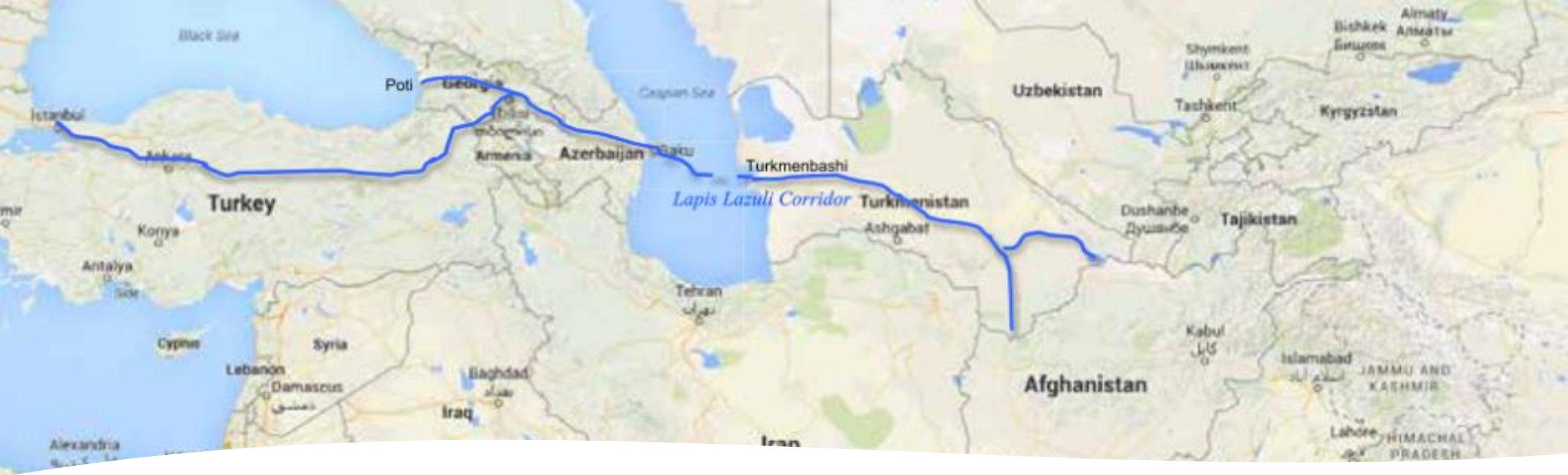
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Topic 76: Ashgabat Agreement



Key points:

1. Multimodal transport agreement
2. Agreement between Oman, Iran, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and India
3. International transport and transit corridor
4. Turkmenistan is the depository State and Ashgabat is Capital and the largest city of Turkmenistan
5. Founding Members



Topic 77: Lapis Lazuli Corridor

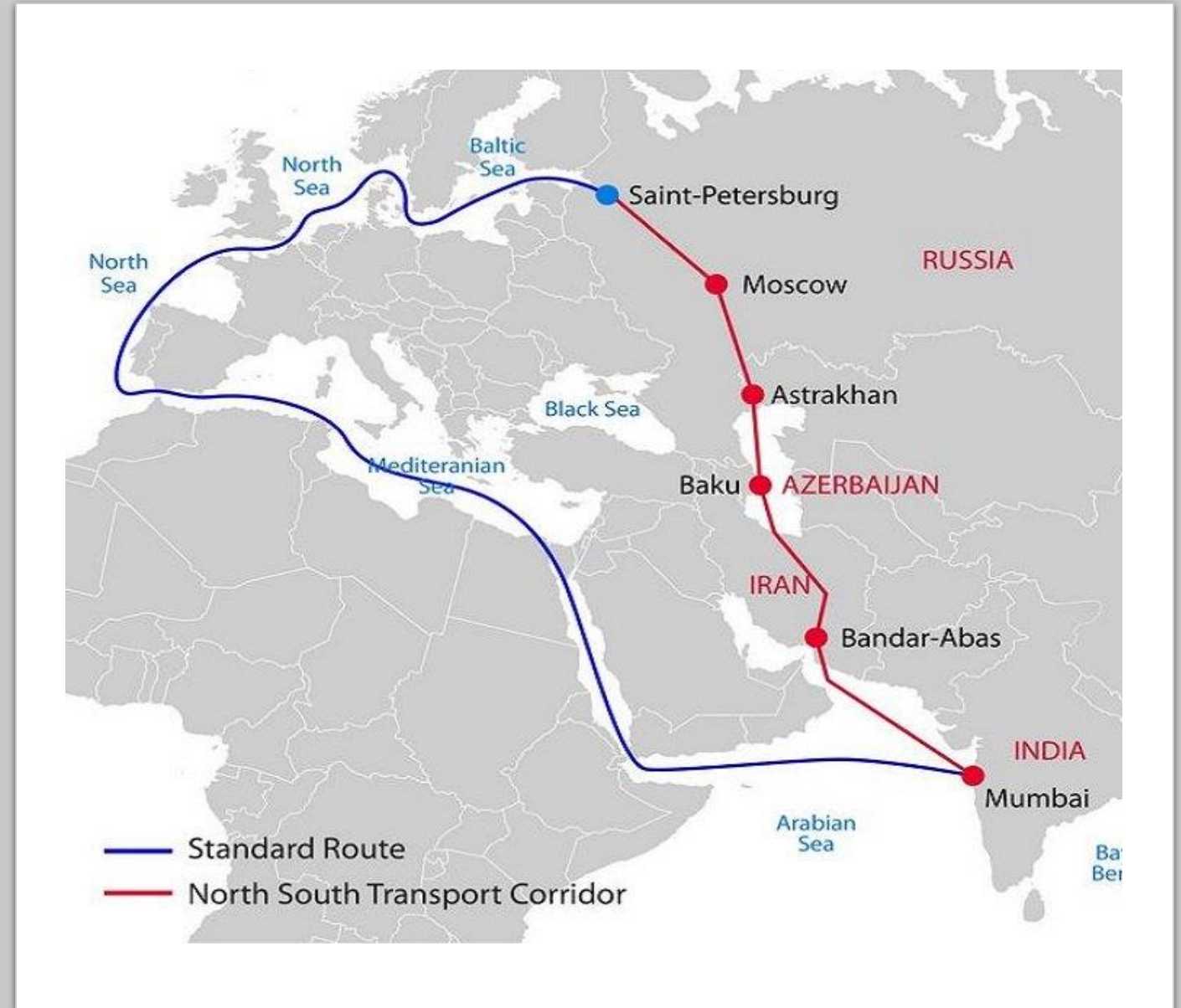
Key points:

1. It is created toward transit and trade cooperation among Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Turkey
2. Develops Custom Procedure Integration and reduces barriers facing transit trade
3. Lapis Lazuli begins from Afghanistan and ends in Europe
4. “Lapis Lazuli” is derived from the historic (semiprecious stones) export route

Topic 78: International North–South Transport Corridor (INSTC)

Key points:

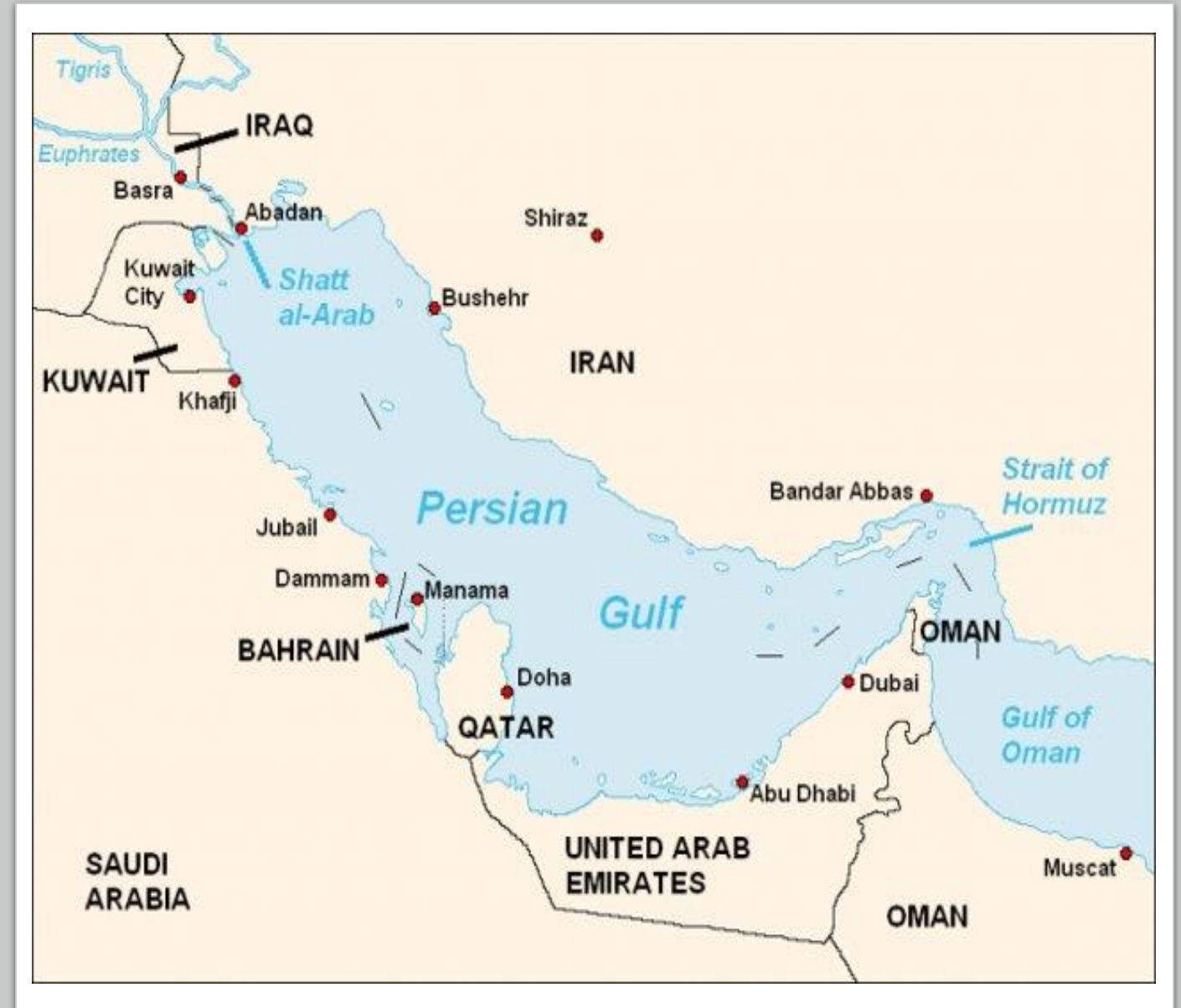
1. 7,200-km-long multi-mode network
2. Countries - India, Iran, Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Russia, Central Asia and Europe
3. Connects India Ocean and Persian Gulf to the Caspian Sea
4. Member states
5. Observer member



Topic 79: Persian Gulf and important ports

Location:

1. Iran's Caspian Sea ports of Astara, Bandar Anzali and Amirabad
2. Baku
3. Russian port of Astarakhan
4. Farzad B Gas Field
5. Lands around Persian Gulf - 8 Countries
6. Strait of Hormuz
7. Gulf of Oman
8. Shatt-al Arab





Topic 80: Inner Line Permit (ILP)

Key points:

1. Official travel document issued by concerned State
2. Grants inward travel of an Indian citizen into a protected area
3. Obligatory for Indians residing outside certain states to obtain permission to enter the protected areas
4. Operational in Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram and Nagaland (Manipur was recently added in 2020)
5. ILP is issued under the Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulation, 1873 and for travel purposes solely



Topic 81: Protected Area Permit (PAP)/Restricted Area Permit (RAP)

Key points: (Restricted Areas)

1. Declared under the Foreigners (Restricted Areas) Order, 1963
2. Earlier entire Andaman & Nicobar Islands and part of Sikkim
3. Recently, Union Home Ministry decided to lift restrictions to boost Tourism
4. Foreigners no longer need a Restricted Areas Permit

Key points: Protected Areas

1. Also declared under Foreigners (Protected Areas) Order, 1958
2. All areas falling between the 'Inner line' and the International Border of the State

Protected Areas are located in following states:

1. Whole of Arunachal Pradesh
2. Parts of Himachal Pradesh
3. Parts of Jammu & Kashmir
4. Whole of Manipur
5. Whole of Mizoram
6. Whole of Nagaland
7. Parts of Rajasthan
8. Whole of Sikkim (partly in Protected Area and partly in Restricted Area)
9. Parts of Uttarakhand



Topic 82: Bonn Challenge

Key points:

1. 150 million hectares by 2020
2. 350 million hectares by 2030
3. Launched in 2011 by Germany and IUCN
4. Later endorsed and extended by the New York Declaration on Forests
5. Forest landscape restoration (FLR) approach
6. India joined voluntary Bonn Challenge pledge (Revised target is 26mh by 2030)



Topic 83: COP 13 – CMS

Key Points:

1. It was held in Gandhinagar (Gujarat)
2. Theme - “Migratory species connect the planet and together we welcome them home”



Topic 84: Great Indian Bustard

Basic information:

1. Status: IUCN– Critically Endangered; Species in Appendix I of CMS; Under Section I of Wildlife Protection Act, 1972
2. Found only in India and Pakistan (exhibits transboundary movements)
3. In India – Gobi are found in Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.



Topic 85: Humpback Whales



Basic information:

1. IUCN status – Least Concern
2. Found – Around the world
3. One of the four species of baleen whales occurring in Indian waters



Topic 86: Marine Turtles

Marine turtles along the Indian coast

There are seven species of marine turtle –

1. Hawksbill
2. Leatherback
3. Kemp's ridley
4. Green turtle
5. Loggerhead
6. Olive ridley
7. Flatback turtle

1.Olive Ridley

2.Green

3.Hawksbill

4.Loggerhead

5.Leatherback

Note: Except the Loggerhead, the remaining four species nest along the Indian coast.

In India, above sea turtles are protected under the Indian Wildlife Protection Act of 1972, under the Schedule I Part II.



Kemp's ridley

Lepidochelys kempii

2 Feet



Olive ridley

Lepidochelys olivacea

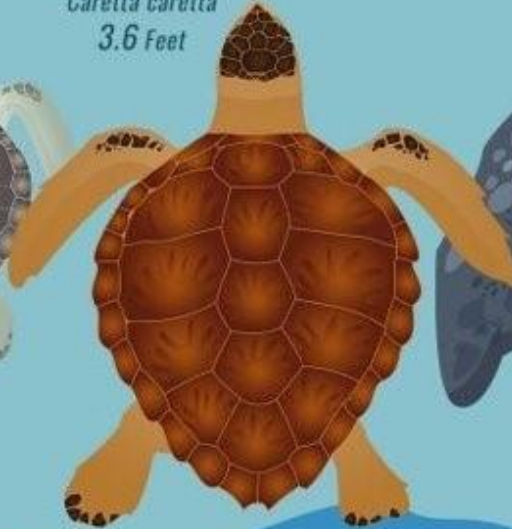
2.5 Feet



Loggerhead

Caretta caretta

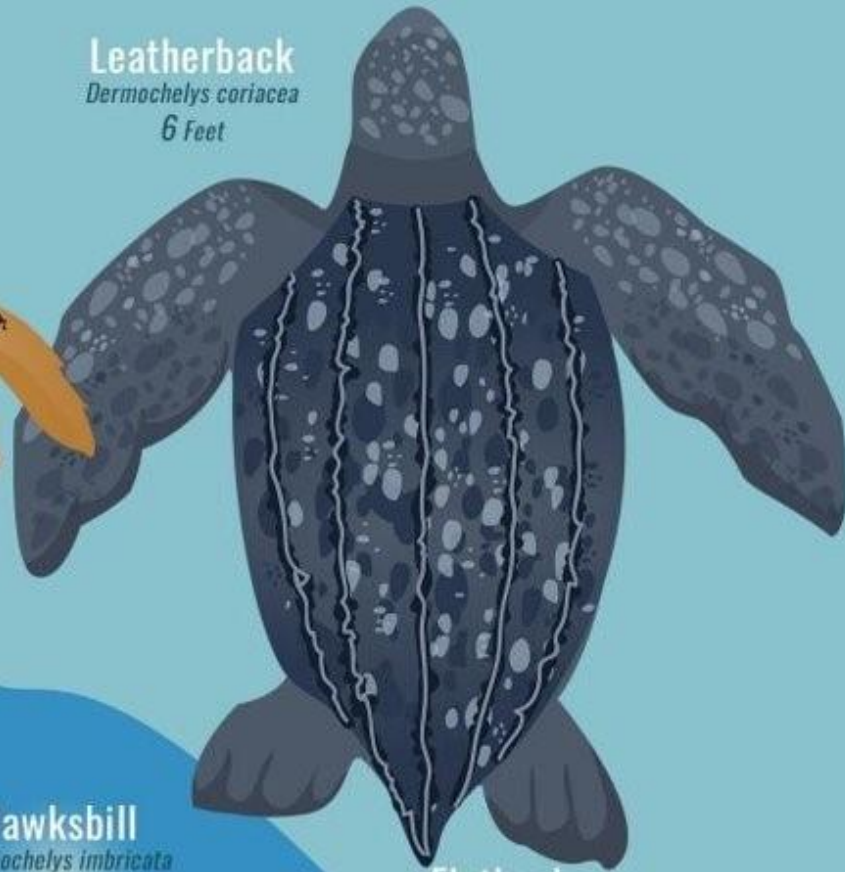
3.6 Feet



Leatherback

Dermochelys coriacea

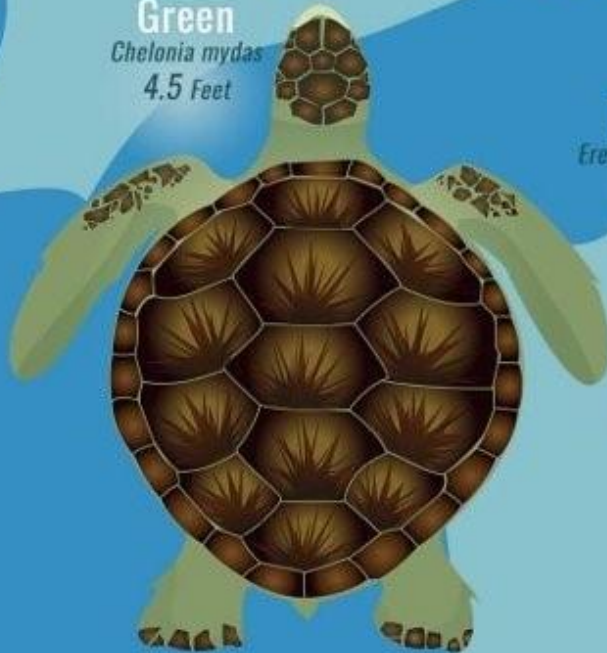
6 Feet



Green

Chelonia mydas

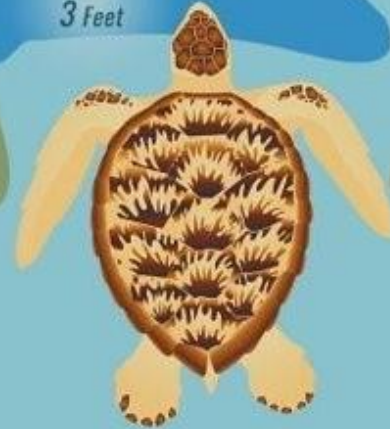
4.5 Feet



Hawksbill

Eretmochelys imbricata

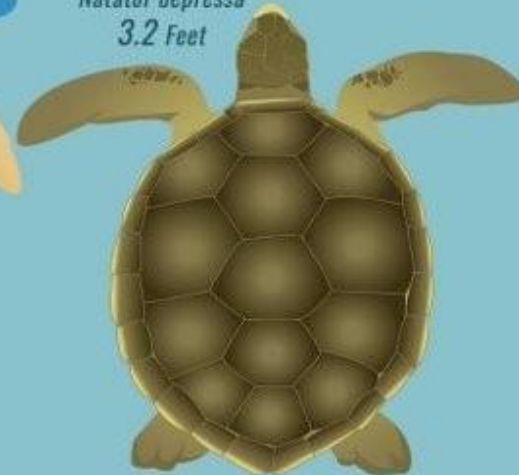
3 Feet



Flatback

Natator depressa

3.2 Feet



Archelon

(Extinct)

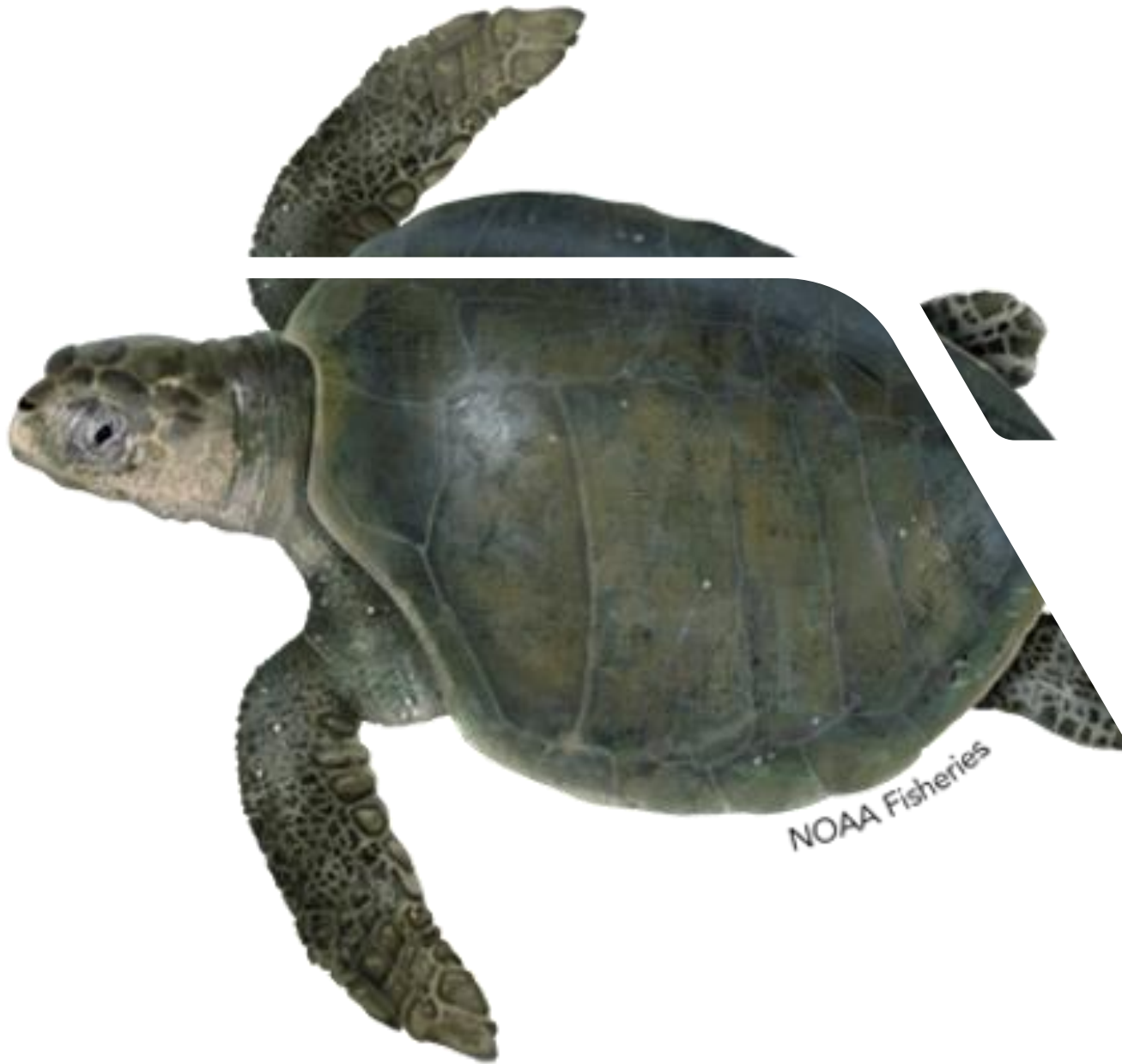
13 Feet



Topic 87: Leatherback Turtle

Basic information:

1. IUCN Status – Vulnerable
2. Schedule I of Indian Wildlife protection Act, 1972
3. Habitation - tropical and temperate waters from Pacific to North Atlantic and throughout the Indian Ocean
4. It follows the longest migratory route known for turtles



Topic 88: Olive ridley

Basic information:

1. IUCN Status – Vulnerable
2. Endemic to the Pacific coasts of Mexico, Central America, and India
3. Known to be a nocturnal nester
4. Smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles
5. Pacific, Atlantic and Indian oceans



Topic 89: Arribada

Key points:

1. Unique mass nesting behavior
2. Only two species of marine turtles display this behaviour
3. Olive ridley and the Kemp's ridley sea turtle
4. Olive ridley is endemic to the Pacific coasts of Mexico, Central America, and India (nocturnal nester)
5. Kemp's ridley is endemic to the Gulf of Mexico. It ranges from Galveston, Texas to Tampico, Mexico.
6. Kemp's ridley turtles display unique diurnal arribadas.



Topic 90: Amur falcons

Key points:

1. IUCN status – Least Concern
2. Schedule I of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972
3. It is a small raptor of the falcon family.
4. Habitat type - Grassland, Savanna, Forest, Wetlands
5. Every year Amur falcons take a long journey covering many countries including China, Mongolia, Russia and India to reach Somalia.
6. Doyang Lake or Doyang reservoir in Nagaland