

Tigers May Die Out by 2022

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STOCKHOLM — The world's tiger population — including Amur tigers found in Russia — could soon be extinct because of poaching, shrinking habitats and the use of tiger parts in Eastern medicine, environmental experts warned Friday.

World Wildlife spokeswoman Marie von Zeipel said at a seminar in Stockholm that there are only 3,200 tigers in the wild, with the population shrinking 97 percent in 100 years.

Russia is holding a global tiger summit next month. Prime Minister Vladimir Putin will host the four-day meeting in St. Petersburg, attended by officials from the 13 countries where tigers are still found in the wild.

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