

Tiger Breaks Free in Russian City, Seen Roaming Highway

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This is no ordinary stray cat.

Russian social media was abuzz with footage of a Bengal tiger breaking free from its handler and taking a stroll on a highway, without a muzzle and carrying a leash in its mouth.

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The predator did not appear to hurt any motorists or other passersby in the central Russian city of Ivanovo.

An Ufa-based circus currently on tour in Ivanovo had bought out the tiger from another circus and added it to its own roster, its administration told The Moscow Times.

“Our staff decided to walk it around the city to take pictures,” it said, adding that they had been scolded by management after the “incident.”

“The tiger won’t be going out into the city anymore,” the circus told The Moscow Times.

Ivanovo police [said](#) they were investigating the video.

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