

White tiger battles for life

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▶▶ A white tiger suffering from cancer is struggling for its life in the steel city of Bokaro, report agencies.

“The white tiger is suffering from fibro sarcoma, a form of cancer. Efforts are on to save it,” Sanjay Tewary, chief of communications at the Bokaro Steel Plant (BSP) said. The tiger aged around 11 years is called Ram. He was brought to the zoo from Chattisgarh’s Bhilai zoo in 2004. According to doctors,

the test report confirming cancer. The tiger has been suffering from the ailment for the past four months.

“Four months ago we found Ram started behaving abnormally and during treatment we found symptoms of hyper salivation, oral haemorrhage and gingivitis. Three months ago we found a tumour on Ram’s cheeks,” said Dr G. Chakravarty. Doctors say the chances of survival of the white tiger are negligible.