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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Without active participation of the local community, sustenance of any project is uncertain, particularly in preservation of flora and fauna: Governor on Daying Ering Sanctuary**

The Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Shri JP Rajkhowa visited the Daying Ering Wildlife Sanctuary, 13 km from Pasighat in East Siang District on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016. Accompanied by the First Lady Smt Rita Rajkhowa, the Governor, who has been advocating on preservation of the rich flora and fauna of the State, took a cruise ride around the sanctuary and saw several migratory birds.

Interacting with the forest officials, the Governor advised them to take necessary precautions to protect the flora and fauna of the sanctuary. He emphasised on use of latest technologies and innovative ideas in monitoring any happenings inside the wildlife habitat,

While cautioning about poachers, the Governor suggests for amenities for wildlife enthusiasts and tourists, such as clean and hygienic restrooms, regular and uninterrupted water and power supplies and use of solar power equipments in the sanctuary.

The Governor also urged upon the local communities to contribute towards its up keeping and setting up of eco-friendly huts and other facilities. He said that without active participation of the local community, sustenance of any project is uncertain, particularly in preservation of flora and fauna.

Divisional Forest Officer (Wildlife), Pasighat, Shri Tashi Mize briefed the Governor on the sanctuary. He informed that the Daying Ering Sanctuary is made up of 18 islands, criss-cross by River Siang. 190 Sqkm sanctuary has 75% grassland, 11% vegetation and rest are water bodies. The unique ecosystem is home to 229 species of mammals, 13 reptiles, 91 plants and 256 avifauna, including, hog deer, hispid hare, and wild buffalo, Sambars, elephants and migratory birds like cranes, wild ducks, storks, waterfowls. It has fresh water River Dolphins also, he added.

The Governor also had a firsthand rafting and angling experiences in the River Siang, from Bodak Village to Ranaghat, near Pasighat in order to promote the two adventure sports in the State as tourism vehicles. It was organised by Tour Operator, Shri Tosu Tayeng of 'Nature Unlimited'.

On the way to Daying Ering sanctuary, the Governor was briefed on the Siang Bridge by Chief Engineer, Project Brahman, BRTF, Col. Anil Joshi. On perennial problem of Siku Bridge, where the approach road to the bridge gets breached every year and disrupt the road communication to Eastern Arunachal, the Chief Engineer assured the Governor to provide permanent solution to it.

On the second day of the District tour, the Governor and the First Lady paid obeisance at the Donyi Polo Central Gangging. The Governor wished that people joins hands together and protect and promote indigenou faith, culture, folklores and all healthy traditions and practices in the interest of universal peace and brotherhood. They also visited the famed Dangoria Mandir, near Ranaghat, 5 km from Pasighat.

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