



August was lively

On 9th September 2018, Aaranyak celebrated its 29th Foundation Day with various activities such as flag hoisting ceremony at Administrative Office of Aaranyak, press conference at Guwahati Press Club and the main function which was held at Grand Bhabendra Alay, Guwahati with the presence of many well wishers, members, forest officials, journalist and staff of Aaranyak.

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Aaranyak's "Annual General Meeting" was held on 30th September 2018 at Indian Institute of Bank Management, Khanapara, where Aaranyak's activities were present by Executive Committee office bearers, various Division Heads and regional representatives. A new Executive Committee of Aaranyak was formed during the meeting and the road ahead of the organization was also discussed.

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We are happy and proud to share with you that hon'ble textile minister Mrs Smriti Irani conferred "Outlook Speakout Award" themed on Beti bachao beti padhao to Aaranyak biologist Purnima Devi Barman for her outstanding works to save Greater Adjutant storks with communities.

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Read on for details of all our other activities during September.

Event Highlights



MoU signed between Aaranyak and IITG

To facilitate coordination between the Centre for Rural Technology Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati and Aaranyak in matters of common interest, Aaranyak had signed a MoU with IITG on 4th September, 2018 at the premises of IITG. The MoU was signed by Dr. Bibhab Kr. Talukdar, CEO & Secretary General of Aaranyak on behalf of Aaranyak and Prof. Gautam Biswas, Director of IIT on behalf of IITG in the presence of higher officials of both the organizations.



Aaranyak donated a wooden Floating Boat camp to KNP Authority

A wooden Floating Boat camp was donated by Aaranyak to Kaziranga National Park Authority on 30th August 2018 in its Northern Range. The boat had been formally handed over by Mr. Attila Hildmann of Germany, who contributed the required funds for construction of the boat through Nabu International of Germany. Mr. Pranjal Barua, Range Officer of the range had formally taken the delivery of the boat.



Machine boat and Field Gear Distribution Ceremony at Pobitora WLS

Aaranyak provided a country machine boat to Pobitora WLS on 1st September, 2018. The boat was formally handed over by Dr. Bibhab Kumar Talukdar, SG & CEO and Head, RRCD which was funded by International Rhino Foundation. DFO of Guwahati Wildlife Division Mr. Pradipta Barua formally inaugurated the boat for the use of Pobitora WLS authority.

In the same event, Mr. Attila Hildmann from Germany donated field boots to the frontline staffs of the WLS. He had funded this field gear through Nabu International of Germany.



Skill Development Training under Manas Tiger Conservation Program

To develop skills on eco-tourism management to ensure better service delivery to the tourists in respective localities in future, a 10 day-long Cooking, Catering and Hospitality Training was organized by Aaranyak's Manas Tiger Conservation Programme (MTCP) in partnership with Aranya Lodge from 26th August to 4th September, 2018. A total of 10 participants belonging to various fringe villages of Manas National Park, Roing, Arunachal Pradesh and Kohora, Karbi Anglong participated in the training.



Awareness Program on Animal Husbandry and Health & Hygiene issues

The health and hygiene in relation to animal husbandry is important not only for the livestock but also for human health as the dirty and unhealthy farm habits can also affect human. Infection from farm animals is also not only restricted to the farm animals and farm workers but it can spread to the wild animals as well. Keeping this in mind, Aaranyak in collaboration with Veterinary and Animal husbandry department of Karbi Anglong organized an awareness program on Animal Husbandry and related Health & Hygiene issues at Chandrasing Rangpi Memorial High School, Karbi Anglong on 6th Sept. 2018.



Herbal Garden Established near Bansbari Range of Manas

Continuing with its effort to promote conservation awareness among school children and general public, Aaranyak, under its Manas Tiger Conservation Programme (MTCP) had established a medicinal plant garden at the Mahut Camp, under the Bansbari Range of Manas National Park. With this, a total of eight herbal gardens have been established by Aaranyak in various localities including schools in the fringes of Manas National Park, which will help students in understanding importance of plants as well as to know various medicinal plants of importance.



Pygmy Hog Transfer to Guwahati Zoo

Aaranyak transferred a pair of Pygmy Hog to the Assam State Zoo cum Botanical Garden, Guwahati for public display on 19th September 2018. This public display of the pygmy hog in Guwahati Zoo for creation of public awareness was initiated in 2014.



Aaranyak Celebrated World Rhino Day 2018

On 22nd September 2018, Aaranyak was part of World Rhino Day celebration at several places. A program was organized in CNB college, Bokakhat jointly by Aaranyak , Kaziranga National park authority and CNB College while Aaranyak in association with Panbari High School and Guwahati Wildlife Division of Assam Forest Department celebrated the World Rhino Day at Panbari High School premises.

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