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Lakhimpur forest division-Aaranyak holds legal workshop for field officials

Guwahati, August 1: Forest field officials including Beat Officers and Foresters (Grade I) from the Territorial and Social Forestry Divisions in Lakhimpur were sensitised on various Forest Acts/Rules and the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 in a workshop organised in Lakhimpur on August 30.

The “Legal Workshop on Forest Acts/Rules and Wildlife Protection Act 1972, and its application” was organised by the Divisional Forest Office (Territorial Division), Lakhimpur in collaboration with the Aaranyak, a leading research-driven biodiversity conservation organisation in Northeast India, at the conference hall of the Divisional Forest Office (Social Forestry Division) at Japisajia in Lakhimpur.

The Assistant Conservator of Forest (ACF) Lakhimpur, Ashok Das, interacted with the participants and shared his varied experiences in dealing with various court cases so far in his career as a forest officer.

Advocate Ajoy Kumar Das, Senior Law Consultant of Aaranyak and also a practising advocate of the Gauhati High Court, attended the workshop as a key-note speaker and elaborately dealt with the differences and similarities between forest offences and wildlife offences.

The workshop was earlier inaugurated by Range Office (Protection), Rokibuddin Ahmed. Range Officers H Nath, G Talukdar, and B Basumatary were also present on the occasion. The ACF Ashok Das summing up the workshop proceedings, applauded all the participants for actively taking part in the workshop which, he said, would help them in discharging their responsibilities in a much better way.

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