

Assam State Zoo receive crucial field necessities



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The Assam State Zoo cum Botanical [Garden](#) has been recently struggling in many aspects which include availability of much needed field necessities, in a timely manner. The [guards](#) and [animal](#) keepers have to work in challenging conditions and the lack of basic amenities like proper shoes makes the task at hand more difficult. To provide some much needed relief to the staff of Assam State Zoo cum Botanical [Garden](#), Guwahati based [NGO Aaranyak](#) distributed 178 pairs of shoes and boots in an event held on 16th May [2016](#) at the Herbarium Meeting Hall, Assam State Zoo cum Botanical [Garden](#), Guwahati.

The shoes which were sponsored by [Aaranyak](#) and Katie Adamson [Conservation](#) Fund (USA), in association with Assam State Zoo cum Botanical [Garden](#), were distributed among 178 staff that included officials, [guards](#), [animal](#) keepers and all supporting staff of Assam State Zoo cum Botanical [Garden](#). Mr. Swapan Kumar SealSarma, DFO-Assam State Zoo Cum Botanical [Garden](#), stated, “The Zoo authority has limited access to necessary materials such [as](#) field shoes/boots, raincoats etc. needed for smooth functioning of our daily task. We appreciate this initiative by Dr. Bibhab Kumar Talukdar, Secretary General of [Aaranyak](#) to provide 178 pairs of field shoe/boots for regular duty use by the officials, [guards](#) and [animal](#) keepers of our Zoo.”

Om PrakashPandey, PCCF ([Wildlife](#)) commented, “This is a great initiative by [Aaranyak](#). I thank them for their generous support towards our staff at our Zoo. I pledge you all, the officials, [guards](#), [animal](#) keepers and all supporting staff of our Zoo will make right use of the boots given by [Aaranyak](#) .” [Aaranyak](#) shall continue to offer such field equipment to wildlife areas in Assam and adjoining states of NE [India](#) whenever needed in consultation with concerned officials to support and compliment the conservation initiatives of forest department. This was stated in a press release of [Aaranyak](#).

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