

Consultation Workshop on Golden Langur Conservation Held in Bodoland to Strengthen Protection Efforts



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A consultation workshop on the conservation of the endangered Golden Langur (*Trachypithecus geei*) was held on Tuesday at the Cygnet Hotel Complex in Chapaguri, Chirang district. The event, organized by the Government of the Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) in collaboration with the Wildlife Trust of India (WTI), focused on strengthening conservation strategies to protect this iconic primate species.

The workshop witnessed the participation of key stakeholders, including Pramod Boro, Chief Executive Member (CEM) of BTR, Ranjit Basumatary, Executive Member of BTR, senior officials from the Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC), conservation experts, and domain specialists. Discussions centered around key challenges faced in preserving Golden Langur habitats, measures for habitat protection, and the role of community involvement in conservation efforts.

Addressing the event, CEM Pramod Boro emphasized the commitment of the BTR government towards safeguarding the Golden Langur, which he described as an "icon of BTR." He lauded the collaborative efforts with WTI and stressed the importance of ensuring a thriving and secure habitat for the endangered species.

"The gorgeous Golden Langur is an icon of BTR, and we are committed to ensuring that this majestic primate has a thriving and secure habitat in our wilds. In this regard, I'm delighted to attend this workshop, which aims to strengthen conservation efforts and protect this endangered species for future generations," Boro stated.

Experts at the workshop highlighted the need for sustainable conservation strategies, improved forest connectivity, and greater public awareness. They also discussed practical solutions to mitigate human-wildlife conflicts and promote eco-tourism as a means of supporting conservation efforts.

The initiative marks a significant step towards the long-term protection of the Golden Langur, a species that is endemic to the forests of BTR and faces threats due to habitat loss and fragmentation. The workshop concluded with a renewed commitment from the authorities and conservationists to take proactive measures for the species' survival.

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