

Six Himalayan vultures killed in Darrang



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In a very [tragic](#) and shocking incident six endangered species of Himalayan vultures died and two critically injured in Udmari village near Kalaigaon in Darrang district on March 16 due to poisoning. The incident has caused sensation in the district and everybody has condemned the poisoning of the innocent vultures. According to information the migratory Himalayan vultures had eaten poisonous substances put in the carcass of a goat meant for a pack of stray dogs causing [menace](#) in the village. The carcass was thrown open in an open paddy field by the owner of the goat. The flock of eight Himalayan vultures after consuming the carcass had fallen seriously ill and started dying at 1 pm. The matter was brought to the notice of PCCF([Wildlife](#), Assam) by [wildlife](#) activists of [Udalguri](#) district. Circle Officer of Kalaigaon DN Hazarika arranged some [veterinary](#) first aids to two vultures struggling for life. In the meantime six vultures had already died before any treatment could be arranged. [Wildlife](#) officials from Mangaldai Forest Division who had arrived at the scene at 7.30 pm [rescued](#) the two vultures struggling with their lives. [Nature](#) loving people and wildlife activists of Darrang and [Udalguri](#) have expressed deep concern at the death of six endangered species of Himalayan vultures at Udmari village. They have urged the wildlife department of Assam immediately to launch awareness programme in the villages frequently visited by vultures and other migratory birds. A few youths of Udmari village namely-Hemanta Saharia, Partha Pratim Sarma, Sidhartha Saharia etc did excellent [job](#) in rescuing two vultures. According to latest update the [rescued](#) vultures are recovering well at Mangaldai.

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