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Central Govt Funds Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary

From a staff reporter

JORHAT, May 7: For the development of Gibbon wildlife Sanctuary the Government of India had recently approved the five year plan submitted by the State Forest Department, stated an official source here. The Forest Department submitted a five year plan to the Central Government for the conservation of North-east's only rare species Gibbon. The plan includes issues like infrastructural development, construction of internal roads, providing more facilities for the tourists as well as the beautification of the Sanctuary. According to the sources, the infrastructural development work will be started as soon as the Government allots the sanctioned amount. The Sanctuary which covers an area of 19 square kilometre is the habitat of several rare species of animals. It may be mentioned here that the Hologapar Fofert got the official recognition as Gibbon wildlife Sanctuary in 1997 and the development work had been started with the assistance from the Central Government. The Governor of Assam also assured the developmental work after visiting the Sanctuary twice. The Rajya Sabha MP Mr BK Handique also assisting the developmental work of the Sanctuary from the MP's fund. Disclosing the news the Forest Department stated that the orders have not been received officially yet. Mr Handique is also taking initiative to organize the Birds Festival in Sivasagar and Jorhat districts on November.

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