

Interaction at Burapahar



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On the occasion of World [Environment](#) Day on June 5, [Kaziranga Wildlife](#) Society, [Wildlife](#) Welfare Trust and Northeast Area [Development](#) Forum for Regional [Development](#) jointly organized a day long interactive and poster campaign session at Burapahar in association with Assam police and Forest Department. The celebration had started at Amguri Bagan near Jakhalabandha at 11 am. Mubina Akhtar, secretary [Kaziranga Wildlife](#) Society and CR Bhobora, former conservator of Forest had attractive interaction session with children and villagers. Colour posters of rhino and wild elephants with important messages were distributed among villagers and forest personnels. Eight villagers were felicitated with gamocha and a tree sapling each for their contribution in the field of conservation and anti poaching activities. Environmental journalist Jayanta [Das](#) and office bearers of [Kaziranga](#) WLS felicitated all the eight personnels. The programme was attended by Padum Borthakur, [President](#), Prasanta Gogoi, Working [President](#), [Kaziranga](#) WLS; Puspadhar Buragohain, Range Officer, Burapahar Range Office; Deben [Bora](#), Officer-in-Charge, Jakhalabandha Police Station etc.

Another interactive session was held at Burapahar Forest Range Office with forest personnel working in interior [camps](#) at 2 am. Mubina Akhtar, Secretary, [Kaziranga](#) WLS and Hony. Member of Assam [Wildlife](#) Board welcomed all the forest personnel working [against](#) odd condition [as](#) Burapahar had been the most vulnerable to poaching of all the range offices under [Kaziranga](#) NP because of its geographical nature. [Kaziranga](#) WLS formally felicitated Deben [Bora](#), O/C, Jakhalabandha Police Station; Puspahar Buragohain, Forest Range Officer, Burapahar Range and CR Bhobora, former Conservator of Forest, but still working [against](#) poaching of rhino and elephants in [Kaziranga](#) and Manas NP. Upen Tamuli (Forester), wildlife activist Gautam Saikia, Bhumidhar Deuri (SI, Police); Deben [Bora](#), Officer in Charge, Jakhalabandha shared their real life experiences with society members. All of them suggested a few steps for to boost anti poaching activities like-[wall](#) or fencing by NH 37 so that animals cannot flee to Karbi Hills where they get killed; supply of sophisticated weapons, better solar lights and cells in interior [camps](#), good conditioned fast boats, employment of more forest staff, good clothing, rain coats, leave with salary once in a year etc. The programme was also attended by [Babul](#) Gogoi (Managing Editor, Assam Times); Raj Baruah, [Chandan](#) Gogoi, Utpal Panchanan, Apurba Kumar [Das](#), Ranjit Dahotiya all executive members of [Kaziranga Wildlife](#) Society.

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