

Joypore an emerging tourists' hotspot



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NAMRUP: Literally boxed by [Arunachal](#) Pradesh in the [east](#) and south and the historic Charaideo in the western side, Assam has yet another paragon of nature's beauty and bounty. Known as Jeypore Reserved Forest in the civil district of Dibrugarh, the abode of many wildlife can now boast of being an emerging tourist hub. The beautiful and potential forest falls under humid and heavy rainfall zone required to be a rainforest. Even in dry season, say from November to March, Joypore remains damp which recorded maximum annual rainfall upto 3640 mm in 1999. Maximum temperature recorded upto stood at 35 degree in 1990 and minimum temperature was 8 degree in 1999.

The forest forms a part of the world heritage of tropical/ Subtropical wet evergreen forest, multistoried in structure and rich in biodiversity. It is an abode of Hollong of a height of 50 metres apart from Sopa , Dhuna , Sam , Hollong , Jatuli , Borpat , Mekai , Nahar , Uriam Seleng etc . The name of some valuable trees with scientific names [found](#) in this forest are as follows :-

1. Porghoma :- Sorghum Bicolour

2 . Bandardima :- Dysoxylum bincetariferum .

3. Hilikha :- Terminalia Chebula .

4. Ajar :- Lagrslroomia Speciosa

5. Nahar :- Mesua ferrea .

6. Holokh :- Terminalia myrio carpa .

7. Sam :- Arto Carpus chapasha

8 . Tita Sopa :- Michellia Champaca

9. Sassi :- Aqeilatia agallecha

10. Hollong :- Dipterocarpus macracarpus

11 . Bohot :- Artocarpus lokoocha.

12 . Raidang Cane :- Calamus Floribundus .

13. Segun :- Teetone grandis.

Animals Found in the Joypur Rain forest with Scientific name .

1. [Elephant](#) :- Elephas Maximus .

2. Leopard :- Panthera Pardus .

3 . Hollock Gibbon :- Hylobates Hollock .

4. Assamese Macaque :- Macaca assamensis .

5. [Hornbill](#) :- Anthrococeraus albirostris .

6 . Tree Frog :- *Litoria caerulea* .

7. Spotted Deer :- *Axis Axis* .

8. Flying Squarial :- *Pteromynin*.

9. Cape Langur :- *Presbytis Pileatus* 10 . Stamp Tailed Macaque :-
Macaca arctoides .

11. Leopard Cat :- *Felis bengalensis*.

12. Python :- *Pythonide*.

13. Yellow Python :- *Python Bivittatus* .

Forest officials call it an example of nature beauty which spreads [over](#) an area of 108 sq km at Joypur in Dibrugarh covering an area of 10,876.68 hectares known for more than 40 rare species of animals, more than 320 rare species of wild birds. Some of these are now disappearing from the earth and more than 150 rare species of snakes still exist. The Mumbai-based Natural [History](#) Society and Bird Life International Society have conducted a survey at the Jeypore Reserved Forest and renamed as site for Important Bird Area Site.

In this area Fire Rare types of Owl , various types of eagle , fasu, moupiya bhadarkali. Around 67.7% of birds in this area where 36.3% are seasonal and 23.1% others visit here during winter. Other 2.5% come during summer while 10.7% others stay in the rain forest. The rain forest has an immense scope for emerging as a hotspot for thousands of tourists from the country and abroad. The country's first ever rainforest festival is still celebrated in Jeypore and in a bid to boost eco tourism, a three day Joypore Rainforest is included near the forest area from February 11 to 13. But this time it will be celebrated on December 30 and 31 which will include camping inside the forest , trekking , rafting , bird watching , elephant riding and many more .



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