

WILDLIFE WEEK CELEBRATION

DATE: 7TH OCTOBER 2009

**VENUE: SINGBA RHODODENDRON SANCTUARY,
LACHUNG, NORTH SIKKIM**

A REPORT

The Wildlife Week is celebrated every year throughout the nation during the 1st week of October to commemorate the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The main focus of the program would be creating awareness among the general public for the conservation and protection of wildlife resources. This program is celebrated in all the four districts of Sikkim with grandeur. In North district the Wildlife Week is celebrated at Singba Rhododendron Sanctuary, North Sikkim. The celebration is hosted by the Wildlife North Division, Department of Forests, Env. & WL Management. The program includes the Nature Trek in the newly created 12 kms trekking trail from Chubyum to Yumthang via Chumodo Dorangkhey, Phuni and Phom by the students of three different schools of Lachung to offer physical and mental benefits with a true appreciation for the nature . The Hon'ble Minister of Forest Env.& Wildlife Management Department along with Political Advisor to HCM ,PCCF cum Secretary Forest, Secretary ,Secretary Tourism, and other dignitaries walked along the newly created nature trail from Yumthang to POM inspecting the works and simultaneously discussion various items related with the ensuing International Rhododendron Festival (IRF) 2010 .

In the evening a meeting was held at Lee-Koksi Resort, Lachung with the members of the IRF Committees, Pipons of Lachung where various topics related with IRF and the publics grievances were placed before the committee for discussion. The committee suggested to held meeting on 16th October at 5.30 Pm at Forest Conference Hall and the next site inspection visit on 5th January 2010.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Nambi Tshering Bhutia, DFO, KNP/KBR/Wildlife North Division.

The VIPs and other officer stayed one night halt at Tsunghang. Meet with the Panchayats and people of Tsunghang.



Block Officer Shingba Rhododendron Sanctuary, Shri Phu Tshering Bhutia





DFO Wildlife North addressing the students, teachers and public on the occasion of Wildlife Week celebration.



Head Master and students of Lachung Schools participating in the Week life week Celebration.



Students of Lachung school participating in the nature trek.