#### GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR FOREST DEPARTMENT

Notification Jammu, the 10th April 1990

>SRO ;136-Whereas, it appears to the Government that the area of Rammagar, Jammu specified in Annexure "A" to this notification is of adequate ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphological significance for the purpose of protecting, propogating and devloping wildlife & its environment.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 17 of the Jammu and Kashmir Wildlife Protection Act, 1978, the Government hereby declare the said area as a Sanctuary.

By order of the Governor.

Sommer /Secretary to Govt. Forest Department

FST/9/WL/80

Date d:

10 -3-1990

Copy for information and n/action to the:

1. Secretary to Government Law Department W.5.s.c. 2. Secretary to Government Revenue Department.

3. Chief Wildlife Warden Srinagar.

4. Deputy Commissioner, Concerned District.

5. Manager Government Press, Jammu for publication in Government Gazette.

> Under Secretary to Govt. Forest Department

STATUS SURVEY REPORT OF THE RROPOSED RAMNAGAR WILDLEFE SANCTUARY.

Annexure, "A"

### NOMENCIATURE & SITUATION:

The proposed wildlife Sanctuary has been named after the main Ramnagar ridge. It is the erst while private Rakh of Maharaja at Jammu and Kashmir and located in the close proximity of Jammu city to its north. It falls within the jurisdiction of Civil District of Jammu and forest division Jammu. It is situated about 6 kms. and about 8 kms. away from nearest rail head and airport respectively. The Ramnagar area is characterised by its aesthetic, recreational, faunal, floral, significances and close proximity to the Jammu city, coupled with easy accessibility. The Primary objective of this area is to preserve and propogate the natural resources it contains.

# BOUNDARIES:

East ...River Tawi and Khanpur Village
South ...Jammu City.

West ...Settlements of Janipura & Shangan.

Noerh ...Karanwali Rakh.

# AREA & LIMITS:

The area of interest is spread over 31.50 Sq. Kms. and is roughly wedge shaped, located in the Kar Nalla, which drains into the river Tawi.

The proposed Sanctuary is covered by G.T. Sheet Nos: 431/13 and 43 L/14, and exhibits the altitudinal range of 350 to 611 mtrs. above M.S.L.

It lies between 32.44!. 37" to  $32^{\circ}.47!$ . 32" north latitude and  $74^{\circ}.50!$ . 45" to  $74^{\circ}$ . 53!. 37" east longitude.

Map of the area is enclosed for ready reference.

## APPROACHES:

The Jammu-Srinagar national highway enters the area in the south and leaves in the north-east, dividing it into two unequal segments. There exists a link road from Janipora, which ultimately joins with the national highway near the north-eastern boundary of the sanctuary.

# LEGAL STATUS:

The proposed sanctuary is the Game reserve, presently administered and controlled by the department of Wildlife Protection, and prior to independance it was a private Rakh of the then Maharaja of the State. The area was sanctioned to be notified for upgradation as a sanctuary vide Government Order No: FST/20 of 1981 dated: 4.2,1981.

#### LORA:

As per the Champion and Seth's classification, the forest of the tract area Acacia modesta scrub forests (10 c lb), intersperred by isolated Chir (Pinus roxibergia) stands, on the eastern side of the Ramnagar ridge. The main tree associates are Acacia modesta A catachu A nilotica A anabica Lannea grandis Delbergia sissoo Bombax cieba Aegla marmelosa Emblica officinale Zizyphus Jujuba etc. The under story consists of Mallotus philipinesis Ficus Socciosa Fistula Bauhenia speciosa Butaa Monosperma Dedraea viscosa, Garissa opaca Adhatoda verca form the lower layer. The ground cover is covered by various types of grasses and Auguriant herbs.

#### FAUNA:

In the recent past the area was full with variety mammals and bird species. Most of the species have decimated in number, whereas some of them have totally vanished. The Leopard and Cheetal are the cases of vanished species.

The animals negociated in the area are Nilgai, Wild Boar, Barking Deer, Porcupine, Rhesas Monley, Jackal, Hare etc.

The birdlife of the area is diverse and includes both resident and migratory species, and represents Pheasants, Paraketts, Parrots, Pegeons, Vultures, Kites, Bulbulls, Owls etc.

Chief Wildlife Warden ammu and Kashmir Government Srinagar

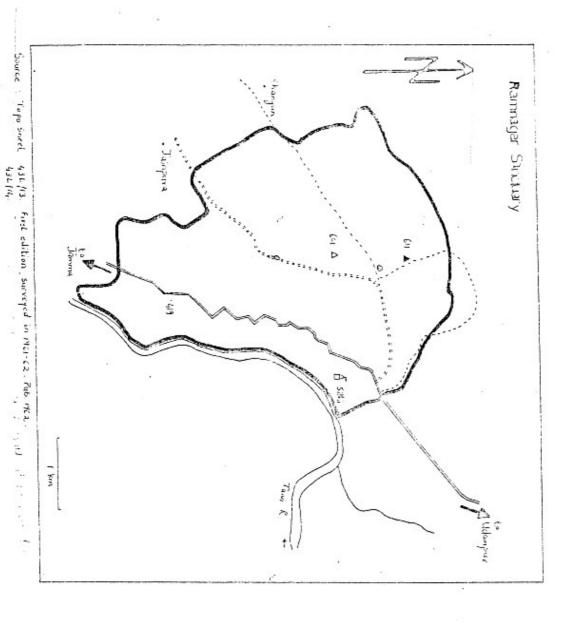
#### TABLE - I

Region wise Wildlife Protected areas list of Jammu and Kashmir State under the administrative and technical centrel of the Department of Wildlife Protection as 10-04-1990.

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N P :- National Park = WLS:- Wildlife Sanctuary
HLR :- Highland Reserve = WIR:- Wetland Reserve
CR :- Chakere Reserve = GR:- Game Reserve
GS :- Game Sanctuary = R :- Rakh
M & BR:- Ma n and Biosphere Reserve.

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<b>V</b> 1.	Kishtwar	N.P	Jammu	Deda	400	1700 ts 4800 N	SRO; 135 Date : it10.4.90	
12.	Ramnagar	W.L.S	Jamnu	Jammu	12.75	419 to 611	SRO: 136 Dated: 10.4.90	The area was initially declared as R. vide Cabnit No: 710-C of 1945 (C.G) Dated: 17.7.1945.
3.	Surinsar - Mansar	W.L.S	Jammy	Jammu	39.60	547 to 834	SRO:138 Dated: 10.4.90	
4.	Nandni	W.L.S	Jammu	Jammu	13.50	741 te 843	SRO: 137 Dated: 10.4.90	
5,	Trikuta	W.L.S	Janeard	Uchampui	31.78	1529 te 2760	#40	
	Jasreta	W.L.S	Jammu	Kathwa	10.04	356 ts 520	SRO: 151 Dated: 19.3.87	Jasrota Forest I and II including Bagni block was declared as G.R.vide Cabnit Order No: 716—C of 1945 (G.G) dated: 17.7.45



\* 44' 37" to 32' 47' 32" 12