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Bijbehara (21.11.2024): The Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) / Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K, Shri Sarvesh Rai (IFS) today visited various areas of Overa-Aru Wildlife Sancturay. He was accompanied by the Conservator of Forests (WL) / Regional Wildlife Warden, Kashmir, Shri Tawheed Ahmad Deva (IFS). Both the dignitaries were received by the Wildlife Warden, Shopian / South, Shri Sohail Ahmad Wagay, ACF.

The Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) / Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K accompanied by Regional Wildlife Warden Kashmir and Wildlife Warden, South/ Shopian inspected various ongoing works inside the Overa-Aru Wildlife Sanctuary. Shri Sohail Ahmad Wagay, ACF (Wildlife Warden Shopian / South) briefed the dignitaries about the steps taken for the preservation of wildlife at ground level.

The Pr. Chief of Forests (WL) / Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K visited Pehalgam Mini Zoo and instructions were issued for the proper maintenance according to Central Zoo Authority Guidelines. The number of spotted deer shall be increased inside the zoo. Equipment required for the Zoo shall be supplied immediately, the zoo enclosures shall be upgraded.

Further the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) / Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K directed Wildlife Warden, Shopian / South to prepare the DPR for Eco-tourism activities that need to be carried out inside Overa-Aru Wildlife Sanctuary especially at the Aru valley. The Pr. Chief Conservator stressed upon the immediate repairment of the Wildlife Staff Quarters and Guest Houses inside the Overa-Aru Wildlife Sanctuary. Shri Sohail Ahmad Wagay, ACF briefed the Pr. Chief Conservator about the dearth of staff faced by the South Division Bijbehara. The Pr. Chief Conservator inspected various fire fighting equipment and Human Wildlife Conflict Equipment and necessary instructions regarding the purchase of useful equipment were issued.

The Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) / Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K listened to the public welfare and development issues patiently and assured action on all genuine issues. The Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) stressed upon the utilization of the local people by generating employment avenues especially by outsourcing of guest houses, eco-parks etc.