

## Hargila Bird

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### Hargila Bird Latest News

Recently, the Prime Minister of India shared about the efforts of thousands of rural women who stepped forward to save the 'Hargila Bird' – known as the 'Hargila Army' in Assam.

### About Hargila Bird

- It is a large strikingly looking member of the **stork family**.
- It is also known as **Greater Adjutant Stork**.
- **Habitat:** It inhabits wetlands, shallow lakes, drying lake beds, and freshwater flooded forests.
- **Distribution:** It is residing only in the states of **Assam and Bihar of India and in Cambodia**.
- These are usually seen singly or in small groups as they stalk about in shallow water.
- These **breed during winter in colonies** that may include other large waterbirds.
- **Diet:** These are **omnivorous birds**. Although they are mainly scavengers, they also prey on frogs and large insects and will also take birds, reptiles, and rodents.
- **Threats:** It includes the loss of nesting and feeding habitat through the draining of wetlands, pollution.

- **Conservation Status**

- **IUCN:** Near Threatened
- **Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972:** Schedule IV

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