

Pakke Paga Hornbill Festival

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About Pakke Paga Hornbill Festival

- The first-ever PPHF was held in 2015.
- The aim was to recognise the role played by the Nyishi tribal group in conserving hornbills in Pakke Tiger Reserve (PTR).
- Other objectives were to raise alternative sources of income for the region and to create awareness in the rest of India about the wonders of PTR and its surrounding areas.
- This year, the festival's theme is Domutoh Domutoh, Paga hum Domutoh. It translates to 'Let Our Hornbills Remain' in the Nyishi language.
- This year's festival aims to underscore the critical need for preserving these iconic birds.

Key points about Pakke Tiger Reserve

- It is located in the East Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh.

- It is surrounded by the Tenga Reserve Forest to the North, Doimara Reserve Forest on the West, Nameri National Park and Tiger Reserve (Assam) on the South.
 - The landscape has high species diversity and endemism as it forms the transition zone between the Indian and Malayan eco-regions.
 - It is situated North of the river Brahmaputra in the transition zone between the Assam plains and the hilly forests of Arunachal Pradesh.
 - Vegetation: It consists of tropical evergreen and semi-evergreen forest.
 - Flora: *Polyalthia simiarum*, *Pterospermum acerifolium*, *Sterculia alata*, *Stereospermum chelonoides*, *Ailanthus grandis* and *Duabanga grandiflora*. About eight species of bamboo occur in the area.
 - Fauna: Tiger, Elephant, predators like Leopard and Clouded leopard etc.
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Q1) Who are Nyishi tribal people ?

They are people of eastern Bhutan and Arunachal Pradesh, a mountainous state in northeastern India. They speak the Tibeto-Burman language of the Sino-Tibetan family. The Nyishi support themselves with slash-and-burn agriculture and with hunting and fishing.

Source: [Arunachal Pradesh's Pakke Paga Hornbill Festival gears up for its 9th Edition](#)

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