

Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary

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The forest department of Himachal Pradesh recently put on hold its order imposing user charge on visitors to the Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary in Sirmour district.

About Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary

- It is located in the Sirmour district of **Himachal Pradesh**.
- It is situated in the **Shivalik range** of the Himalayas.
- Established in 1985, this sanctuary spans 56 sq.km. and **encircles** the majestic **Churdhar Peak**, also known as **Choordhar**.
- Churdhar peak is the **highest peak in the outer Himalayas**.
- **From the top** of the peak, visitors can relish the **view of wild Gangetic plains** and the **Satluj River** on its south and **Badrinath** (a well-known Hindu pilgrimage) towards its north.
- A **small temple dedicated to Lord Shiva** sits **atop the peak**, adding spiritual significance to the sanctuary.

- **Flora:**

- It is quite renowned for being a habitat of **herbal medicine trees and plants**.
- **Wild Himalayan Cherry, Aloe Vera (Dhrit Kumari), and Amaranthus spinosus (Chulai)** are some of the best **aromatic plants** which can be found here, and these herbs possess amazing medicinal properties.
- The **main trees** in the sanctuary **are oak and deodar**.

- **Fauna:** The sanctuary is home to various species, including **musk deer, black bears, monals** (Himalayan pheasants), and **leopards**.

Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary FAQs

Q1: In which Indian state is Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary located?

Ans: Himachal Pradesh

Q2: Churdhar Sanctuary lies in which range of the Himalayas?

Ans: Shivalik Range

Q3: Churdhar Peak, encircled by the sanctuary, holds which distinction?

Ans: Highest peak in the Outer Himalayas.

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