



**CHIEF MINISTER
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MESSAGE

1. The Amur Falcons are beautiful migratory birds, that visit Nagaland every year in thousands, in their long migratory journey from Siberia en-route to South Africa, covering upto 22,000 km in a year. It is our duty to protect these wonderful birds while they are passing through Nagaland, and to treat them as our honoured and esteemed guests, in the true Naga tradition of hospitality.

2. The State Government is committed to end the unfortunate killings of the migratory Amur Falcons in Nagaland, while they are passing through the State. I appeal to all the people of Nagaland, particularly the people of Wokha and Mokokchung districts, where the birds used to take some rest during their long journey, to end the killings of these lovely birds. The State Government also fully support the efforts of the Nagaland Wildlife and Biodiversity Conservation Trust and other NGOs to educate the people about these migratory birds, and to give them a safe passage through Nagaland. Let us realise that man and other creations are inter-dependent, and we need each other for our long-term survival on this planet earth.


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