

# GOVERNMENT GIRLS COLLEGE, BETUL

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Name of Activity: Flora and Fauna of Manipur

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Students spoke about the flora and fauna of the pair state "Manipur". Students highlight the location, the climate, the type of forest, and the plant and animal life in their speeches. Tribe kind is also mentioned.

### **Flora and Fauna**

Sixty-seven percent of Manipur's land area is covered in hill tracts with forests, which are home to an incredible variety of flora and fauna. The climate fluctuates from tropical to sub-alpine depending on the height of hill ranges. Between 900 and 2700 meters above mean sea level, there are wet woods and pine forests, which together support a variety of rare and endemic plant and animal species. Orchids are prized around the world for being among the most exquisite and valuable flowers and they have an air of mystery and exoticism about them.

They are abundant in Manipur, growing on the ground or on shrubs and trees, telling of their beauty and color, startling the unaccustomed eye. Manipur has 500 different species of orchids, 472 of which have been recognized.

The Hoolock Gibbon, Sloe Loris, Clauded Leopard, Spotted Linshang, Mrs. Hume's Barbacked Pheasant, Blyths Tragopan, Burmese Pea-Fowl, four different species of Hornbills, etc. are just a few examples of the diverse natural fauna of Manipur, which is also home to Siroi Lily, the only terrestrial lily grown on the hilltops of Siroi Hill. Sangai the dancing deer is the most distinctive, though. Small herds of this endemic deer, known as the Phumdi, are supported by the floating mass of vegetation on Loktak Lake. Unfortunately, this Phumdi bears the sad distinction of being the most endangered Cervid in the world. The 'Lengwa' salamander is another noteworthy species. Salamanders, sometimes known as "Lengwa," can be found in Ukhrul near the base of Siroi.

### **Citizens of Manipur**

The inhabitants of Manipur include Meitei, Naga, Kuki, Meitei Pangal, and other vibrant ethnic groups who have coexisted peacefully for millennia. These are the people whose myths, tales, dances, native games, martial skills, and exotic handlooms and handicrafts are infused with the magic of nature. Manipur is home to endless treasures.

