



Press Release

Land In Nature's Lap, The Fourth Chapter Of Woods Away Begins

- Experience The Exuberance Of Wildlife Photography -

Kolkata, 18th March, 2019: The much-awaited fourth season of **Woods Away** - a three-day wildlife photographic exhibition, supported by **ITC Sonar Kolkata & Gujarat Tourism**, showcasing distinctive photographs taken from the picturesque landscapes from Gujarat, North-East India, Central India & South India, was inaugurated today by **Ms Patti Hoffman, Hon'ble Consul General, United States of America in Kolkata & Mr Atul Bhalla, General Manager, ITC Sonar** amidst much fanfare. The participating photographers, **Mr Biswajit Roy Chowdhury, Mr Dhiman Ghosh & Mr Shiladitya Chaudhury** along with a host of city glitterati were also present for the occasion.

The fourth season of Woods Away is being dedicated to eminent journalist, a wildlife enthusiast and a passionate admirer of wildlife photography, **Late Mr Sumit Sen**, who passed away two years back. It was Mr. Sen who had initiated the thought of presenting a thorough exhibition on wildlife photography with the purpose of creating awareness on conservation of the wild fauna. This year, the exhibition will showcase 60 odd visual elegance of the lustrous ecosystem captured at various wildernesses of Gujarat, North-East India, Central India & South India that has been ingeniously photographed by **Mr Biswajit Roy Chowdhury, Mr Dhiman Ghosh & Mr Shiladitya Chaudhury**.

"We have had the privilege of roaming vast stretches of Wild India, its many pristine nook and corner, often aimlessly and sometimes for sake of our passion, where we witnessed many rare and exciting sights into the ways of nature and its wild denizens. Through Woods Away we wanted to portray the wilderness that we have been able to capture through our lenses. The exhibition is also our humble tribute to eminent journalist Late Mr Sumit Sen who strongly believed that responsiveness on conservation of the ecosystem can be created through photographs from the wild", said the participating photographers **Mr. Biswajit Roy Chowdhury, Mr Dhiman Ghosh & Mr Shiladitya Chaudhury**.

"Woods Away is a great initiative combining the art of photography and wildlife conservation. It is a part of our initiative to contribute towards building a greener tomorrow", said **Mr Atul Bhalla, Area Manager East, ITC Hotels & Cluster General Manager, ITC Royal Bengal & ITC Sonar**.

Needless to say, Kolkata is going to be the testimony of majestic photographs showcasing varied Wildlife, Bio-Diversity & Fauna as Woods Away is aimed to create awareness on the threats to the ecosystem and maintain the rationale behind this initiative to support conservation at large. If the same can be done through the depiction of some breathtaking frames, the mission will be accomplished.

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