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## Union Panchayati Raj Minister visited Oxygen Park at Salbagan

Union Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Minister Giriraj Singh visited the Oxygen Park at Salbagan on 27 August, 2022. Forest department established this park on 11 October 2021 on 30 hectares of land. The Union Minister was welcomed by MLA Krishnadhan Das, Bamutia Panchayat Samiti Chairman Sita Das Sen, and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests KS Shetty. The jawans of the Forest Protection Unit led by Forester Maran Das presented a guard of honour to the Union Minister. After that, the Union Minister, MLA and other dignitaries paid their respects to the forest martyrs by placing wreaths at the Forest Martyr Memorial Pillar.

After paying respects, the Union Minister visited the Log Hut inside the Park. There he observed sal, gamai, bahera, orchids and different medicinal plants. Later, the Union Minister planted a sapling of Rudraksha tree. During his stay at Loghut, he was informed about the production of Kanak Kaich bamboo, rubber, jackfruit, drum stick, scrub, sandalwood and medicinal plants from the state. Union Minister emphasised on agroforestry and said that if Tripura succeeds in agroforestry, the financial development of the state will accelerate.

The Union Rural Development Minister, during his visit to the park, was accompanied by Principal Secretary of Rural Development Department L.H Darlong, Special Secretary Dr. Sandeep Rathore, Additional Chief Conservator of Forests R.K Sharma, P.L Aggarwal, and District Magistrate of West Tripura District Debapriya Bardhan.

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