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Smt Jayanthi Natarajan Hon'ble Minister for Environment and Forests Ministry of Environment and Forests Government of India Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO Complex Lodhi Road, NEW DELHI 110 003

Madam,

Yesterday I wanted to show you some pictures of the mass killing of Amur Falcon, a small migratory bird of prey which passes through north-east to go to southern Africa, and their mass killing that takes place in Nagaland and other states during their brief stop-over.

We have been campaigning to stop this mass killing, without success, as unfortunately the concerned authorities in Nagaland have been unable to take preventive measures in this regard.

Amur Falcon is a protected bird under Indian Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 and Convention of Migratory Species which India is a signatory.

I would appreciate if you would kindly make it convenient to write to the Chief Minister of Nagaland and also to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of Nagaland to take immediate steps to stop this mass killing. You could also suggest them to start environmental awareness campaign amongst the local communities.

I am enclosing some pictures taken last week in Nagaland by the famous photographer, Mr Ramki Srinivasan and his team, for your kind information.

Thanking you and with good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Asad R Rahmani

Director

Enclosure