DR. PURNIMA DEVI BARMAN

LINDSEY PARADISE (1/8/24)

About

Born: 1980 Assam, India (age 44) **Education:** Masters degree and

PhD in Zoology

Field: wildlife biology

Awards: UNEP's Champion of the

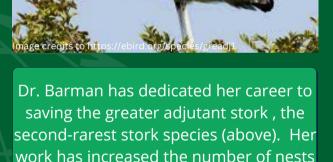
Earth (2022) and Nari Shakti

Puraskar from the president of

India

Hargila Army

Dr. Barman's group of over 10,000 village women who protect stork nesting sites, rehabilitate injured storks, and weave textiles depicting the storks. The name Hargila means "bone swallower".



in her region from 28 to 250.



Human-wildlife conflict is a pressing threat to wildlife species. Changing the locals' view of the greater adjutant storks as disease carrying bad omens was crucial in Dr. Barman's efforts to ensure their survival.

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