

Deputy CM: Women joining forces to protect wildlife a feat

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Jaipur: During the inauguration ceremony of 119th Forest Guard Basic Training session, deputy chief minister Diya Kumari highlighted the significant role of women in various fields, including protecting forests.

Kumari said out of the 1,450 forest guards participating in this basic training, 710 are women forest guards, which is a remarkable achievement.

"Women power is achieving success in every field, and it's a matter of pride that so many women are part of this training to protect forests," she said.

The deputy CM emphasised upon the importance of preventing deforestation, stopping wildlife poaching, protecting wildlife, expanding forests, utilising modern technologies, preventing forest fires, stopping encroachment on forest lands, and promoting afforestation through tree plantation. She motivated the forest guards undergoing the three-month training to perform their duties diligently.

She expressed her gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for acknowledging Rajasthan's effective campaign 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' (A Tree in Mother's Name) during his 'Mann Ki Baat' programme. The Prime Minister recently appreciated the record-breaking achievement of planting 5.85 crore trees under this initiative. She added, "As a former MLA from Sawai Madhopur, I understand the immense challenge of protecting our forests and wildlife." She also urged the forest guards undergoing training to embrace their responsibility with

dedication and commitment. "I encourage you all to work responsibly in safeguarding our forests and wildlife," she said, adding that ecotourism is equally important in today's world.

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