## **Internship and Fellowship-Progress of Intern**

UNESCO Category 2 Centre on World Natural Heritage Management and Training for Asia and the Pacific Region as an autonomous centre within Wildlife Institute of India, whose mission is to strengthen implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Asia and the Pacific Region by building the capacity of those professionals and bodies involved with World Natural Heritage Site inscription, protection, conservation and management in Asia and the Pacific Region, through training, research, dissemination of information and network-building. As a part of the Centre's function, it is important to undertake research on identified priority areas related to Natural World Heritage protection and management, with particular focus on models of community participation. With this goal, post-graduates from reputed institutes and universities are engaged to take up their internship with our centre.

Currently, Pavei K Arnold, M.Sc in Natural Resources Management from Doon University, Dehradun is serving as intern in our centre. His topic for dissertation is Study on Phumdis Proliferation: Effects on the Loktak Lake and the Lakeshore Communities, Manipur. His field is in and around Keibul Lamjao National Park and Loktak Lake. UNESCO Category 2 Centre has provided a financial support of Rs. 5000 per month (3 months) as a stipend.