

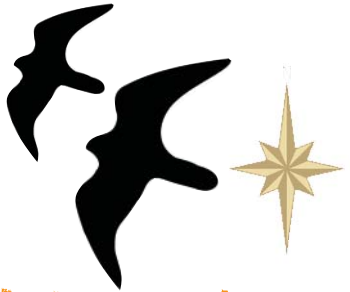


# Amy

the  
marathon

# bird

The story of  
the Amur Falcon  
in Nagaland



# Nagaland



• Doyang

WOKHA •

KOHIMA



My name is Amy. I am an Amur Falcon and I live in Siberia. This is my story when I visit Nagaland with thousands of friends on our way to Africa every winter.





A group of approximately 20 falcons are perched on a thin black wire that stretches diagonally across the frame from the top left to the bottom right. The birds have grey heads, speckled chests, and reddish-brown underparts. One falcon in the middle-right section is in flight, with its wings spread wide. The background is a plain, light color, and the left edge of the image shows a dark green leafy plant.

We all  
stop here to  
rest and eat. This  
place is so beautiful. This is  
the Doyang Reservoir and it  
provides us with food and shelter  
on our journey to Africa.



AMUR FALCONS ARE MIGRATORY BIRDS. THEY FLY 22,000 KM EACH YEAR FROM SIBERIA TO AFRICA TO SPEND THE WINTER AND RETURN FOR SUMMER.



We have to fly a  
Long Long journey,  
over land and sea,  
so we must eat  
well and rest.  
We only eat insects.





HERE WE ARE AT DOYANG, NAGALAND,  
FLYING AROUND, EATING AND PLAYING.





But in the past some people  
caught us by using nets.





Thousands of my friends were killed.

I got caught too,  
but escaped and  
survived to tell  
you my story.







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**"Under The Canopy"**

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The people were not aware of our story. Then the "Friends of the Amur Falcon" came and told the people about our lives. Every year people in Africa eagerly wait for us. We eat all the insects, so the crops could grow and provide food for all the people living there.



The people of Nagaland realised that we are good birds and they should protect us. Soon, more and more friends came forward to support us.



CARTOON BY ROHAN CHAKRAVARTY

In the end, we were not harmed. We were flying high again on our journey to Africa. Next year, we shall be back again in Nagaland!



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