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- Acknowledgement

### **WELCOME!**

During the latter half of 2019, by cooperation with the authorities of Binh Duong, Ben Tre Province, Wildlife At Risk (WAR) recieved totally 26 wildlife, including Pig-tailed macaques (Macaca leonina), Yellowcheeked gibbon (Nomascus gabriellae), Grey-shanked douc langur (Pygathrix cinerea), Hawksbill sea turtle (Eretmochelys imbricata),... and handed over to Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station to save and care. These species were almost prioritized to protect in Decree 06/2019/ND-CP dated 22/01/2019 of the Government. Among those, 9 wildlife such as Malayan box turtle (Cuora amboinensis), Long-tailed macaques (Macaca fascicularis) and Bengal monitor (Varanus nebulosus) were released at U Minh Thuong National Park, Kien Giang Province. In addition, access to captive breeding for Leopard cat (*Prionailurus* bengalensis), Malayan box turtle (Cuora amboinensis) and Softshell turtle (Amyda cartilaginea) could be more effective with 17 wildlife, increasing 29 % compared to the first half of 2019. This success created the good opportunity for long – term wildlife conservation purpose in Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station. The interesting change is that new enclosures were built in order to response to wildlife reception from the authorities as well as the breeding program in a timely and effective manner. In particular, a crocodile cage (more than 50 m<sup>2</sup> in an area), a turtle cage on display (an area of 8 m<sup>2</sup>), and a monkey cage (an area of 12 m<sup>2</sup>) were constructed. Another striking development was the construction of fire escape stair fire fight and prevention in office building. Last not at least, we welcomed Blalskowska Joanna – the international volunteer from Netherlands, to assist us on conservation work from 14 to 18, October, 2019

Wildlife At Risk is grateful for the generous supports from individuals and organizations its actions on wildlife conservation throughout the past year.

Sincerely,

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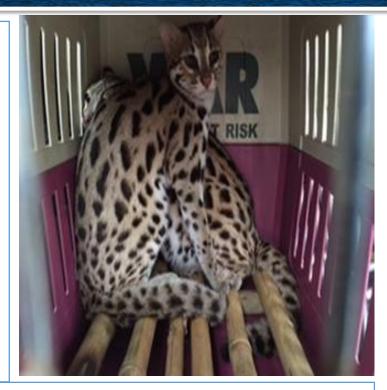


### LAW ENFORCEMENT

Pangolins (Manis javanica) and Leopard cats (*Prionailurus* bengalensis) were handed over to Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station



In July and September 2019, 2 Pangolins (Manis javanica) and 2 Leopard (Prionailurus cats bengalensis) were handed over to Dau Tieng Conservation Wildlife Station – WAR by local residents. Thank you Binh Duong Forest Protection Department and Forest Protection Department of Dau Tieng District to cooperate and save the species.



They have been looking after at Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station – WAR (Plot 303, Le Danh Cat Hamlet, Thanh Tuyen Commune, Dau Tieng District, Binh Duong Province). These are threatened species, being protected under the Decree: 06/2019 / ND-CP dated January 22, 2019 of the Government of Vietnam. These species will be released after the procedure of paperwork.

Photos: WAR/Le Xuan Lam

## WILDLIFE FLASH



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Successful saving Pig-tailed macaques (*Macaca leonina*) and Long-tailed macaques (*Macaca fascicularis*)

In August, 2019, WAR received 1 Pig-tailed macaques (*Macaca leonina*) and 3 Long-tailed macaques (*Macaca fascicularis*) from Binh Duong and Ben Tre Province Forest Protection Department. Due to long captivity in local house, all of them were either exhausted or in bad conditions. Therefore, after saving, they have been caring by WAR's staffs to return the forest when they are in good shape.



Receiving 2 moneys from Binh Duong Province Forest Protection

Department

Handing over 6 wildlife to Dau Tieng Station on a week of October, 2019



The corcodise is relaxing at pool after rescuing

It was only week from 07 to 14 October, 2019 that Wildlife At Risk received 6 wildlife by inhabitant's willingness around the South of Vietnam, including Bengal monitor (*Varanus nebulosus*), Enlongated tortoise (*Indotestudo elongata*), Yellow-headed temple turtle (*Heosemys annandalii*), Malayan snail-eating turtle (*Malayemys subtrijuga*), Corcodile (*Crocodylus siamensis*). WAR does appreciate the support of authorities and the voluntary of local people about wildlife.



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### Taking delivery of threaten primates and Leopard cats in December, 2019

On the last days of 2019, Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station received 4 wildlife, including 1 Yellow-cheeked gibbon (Nomascus gabriellae), 1 Grey-shanked douc langur (Pygathrix cinerea), 2 Leopard cats (Prionailurus bengalensis) from Economic Police and Forest Protection Department of Binh Duong Province. These endangered species are on IB and IIB group under the Decree: 06/2019 / ND-CP dated January 22, 2019 of the Government of Vietnam.

It is unforgetable image that the baby langur died and lied in its mother arms during rescue time. We were not able to hold our feeling when we saw this image. No doubt, great maternal love is not only people but also animal. Access to Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station could lead to increase the chance of life for her.

Photos: WAR/Lam Thanh Phuong



Two kittens have been having jolly time at Dau Tieng Station



The femal Grey-shanked douc langur has been housing at Dau Tieng Station during long time in inttensive care



This is a dead body of baby langur after being rescued





## Release successfully a big Sea turtle to Phan Thiet Bay, Binh Thuan Province



The Sea turtle being tagged before release



It is moved down a harbor



Going to the releasing destination

In early July, 2019, a Hawksbill sea turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) which is listed in Decree 160/2013/ND-CP dated 12/11/2013 of the Government, with weight of 31 kg was released successfully at Phan Thiet Bay. Before returning the sea, this species was marked with tag by WAR's veterinarian. Besides, it is known that the Sea turtle kept in captivity for a long time at a restaurant in Ho Chi Minh City. Without significant supports from The Marine Department of Binh Thuan and Ho Chi Minh, we could not carry out this action. We would like to thank to all of contributors for protecting wildlife.

Photos: WAR/ Le Xuan Lam



She comes back to the sea

# WILDLIFE FLASH



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WAR's staff collobrates with foresters are to set turtles free

On 14th November 2019 – 3 Long tailed macaques (*Macaca fascicularis*), 1 Bengal monitor (*Varanus nebulosus*) and 5 Malayan box turtle (*Cuora amboinensis*) with a total weight of 12.7 kg were successfully released to U Minh Thuong National Park, Kien Giang Province by Wildlife At Risk (WAR) in cooperation with Binh Duong Province Forest Protection Department and Forest Protection Department of Dau Tieng District.

9 wildlife came back to U Minh Thuong National Park



WAR's staffs are preparing to release monkey



The Long tailed macaques returns home

Among the released wildlife, 3 Long tailed macaques and 1 Bengal monitor were confiscated and transferred to Wildlife At Risk by the Forest Protection Department of Binh Duong and Ben Tre Province and Environmental Police of Binh Duong Province. Particularly, the five Malayan box turtle were successfully bred (F1) at Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station.

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Photos: WAR/Le Xuan Lam





Support to rescue and transfer a Deer (*Rusa unicolor*) to U Minh Thuong National Park

Dated 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2019, Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station cooperated and supported Center for Rescue, Conservation and Creature Development (U Minh Thuong National Park), Kien Giang Province to save a male Deer (*Rusa unicolor*) after receiving a call from a resident, wishing to transfer a deer (*Rusa unicolor*). It is one of endangered species which was prioritized to protect in Decree 06/2019/ND-CP dated 22/01/2019 of the Vietnamese Government. This species was cared in U Minh Thuong National Park, where the habitat is suitable to deer.

WAR is ready to provide technical assistance for national parks both of rescuing and releasing activities which helps animals back to suitable habitat.







### **CAPTIVE BREEDING**

The more bred wildlife and release the better for conservation biodiversity and more opportunities to future



Pair of newborn kitten



At 2 months of age, two Leopard cats have been taking care of and fed at Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station

#### Welcome 7 Leopard cats (*Prionailurus* bengalensi) to Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station

It is the great news that 7 Leopard cats were born at Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station from the late September to the early October, 2019 by two pairs of parents, which the inhabitant suggested to transfer before. Currently, these wildlife are being taken care of and fed everyday by WAR's staff so as to be in good health before returning the forest. Moreover, we had succeed when 10 Leopard cats were born at Cu Chi Wildlife Conservation Station, Ho Chi Minh City for years ago. Nevertheless, this is the first time that a success has been in captive breeding of this species in Dau Tieng Station. According to Decree 06/2019/ND-CP dated 22/01/2019 of the Government, with *Prionailurus bengalensi* in specific name, Leopard cat has been put under threat and prioritized to protect.

Photos: WAR/Lam Thanh Phuong





A success was in captive breeding, including Malayan box turtle (Cuora amboinensis), Softshell turtle (Amyda cartilaginea) and Spychedelic rock gecko (Cnemaspis psychedelica)

In October and December, Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station was delighted to welcome 2 Malayan box turtles (Cuora amboinensis) for generation, 6 Softshell turtles (Amyda cartilaginea) and 2 Spychedelic rock geckoes (Cnemaspis psychedelica). Especially, this is the first time that captive breeding of Softshell turtles has achieved success (Amyda cartilaginea) in this station. Indeed, the captive breeding program of several endangered species has been a main strategy of WAR for wildlife conservation.

The 5 months old Malayan box turtle (Cuora amboinensis) has been looking after in an enclosure at Dau Tieng Station



Monthly checking up the Softshell turtle's growth





The Softshell turtle (Amyda cartilaginea) is few days old

The Gecko is basking on the rock



Photos: WAR/Le Trung Vuong





### **CONSERVATION EDUCATION**



The international volunteer is preparing food for animals



She is painting primate's cage

Photos: WAR/ Le Xuan Lam

Give a hand to protect wildlife

Welcome Ms. Blalskowska Joanna, coming Netherlands to Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station as a volunteer from 14 to 18 October, 2019. Thanks to her exposure to volunteer at a large amount of wildlife conservation center, she knew numerous skill which she contributed to this station. In the last 10 years, WAR greeted more than 150 international volunteers. We truly appreciate and thank all for the contributions of all volunteers who have been involving wildlife conservation centers of WAR.



Ms. Blalskowska Joanna is feeding the Yellow – cheeked gibbon





### INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Wishing to create the conditions for wildlife as good as possible at Dau Tieng Wildlife Conservation Station, construction and development of infrastructures were built daily. Within 6 months, a crocodile cage (more than 50 m<sup>2</sup> in an area), a turtle cage on display (an area of 8 m<sup>2</sup>), a monkey cage (the size of 3 x 4 x 3 (m)) and a fire prevention and fighting systems were completed. During construction, WAR always focused on satisfaction for a variety of wildlife species. Animal enclosures was almost in commission such as playground, living space for the living needs of wildlife at here.



The crocodile cage is more than  $50 \text{ m}^2$  in an area



The turtle display was built at Dau Tieng Station



The second monkey cage was constructed with the size of  $3 \times 4 \times 3$  (m)



The fire escape stair fire fight and prevention is in office building

Photos: WAR/Nguyen Thi Tam Anh





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