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**WE WILL ACT URGENTLY**

**SAVE**  
the last remaining  
endangered species

**STOP**  
illegal wildlife trade  
and poaching

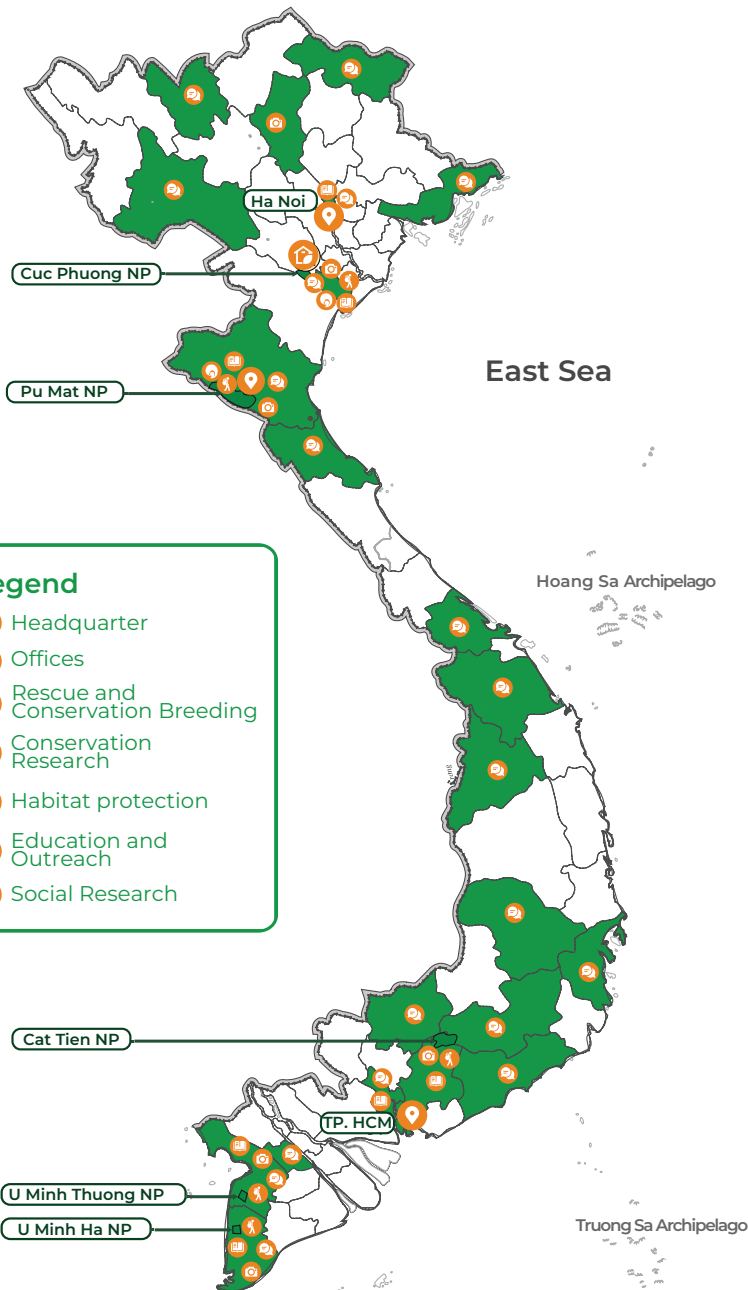
**ELIMINATE**  
illegal wildlife  
consumption

**CHAMPION**  
the recovery and establishment  
of thriving wild species





Save Vietnam's Wildlife (SVW)  
is a national Non-Profit Organization in Vietnam



Founded on 22-07-2014  
followed Decision  
482/QĐ-LHHVN  
from VUSTA



Mission:  
**Stop the extinction  
and champion the recovery  
of threatened species  
in Vietnam.**



## SVW's Tenets (Distinction)

"Talk the talk,  
walk the walk"  
and spend  
money  
effectively.

Empower  
Vietnamese  
leadership  
in wildlife  
conservation.

Scale up  
effective  
conservation  
models.

Create direct  
and practical  
benefits to  
wildlife  
conservation.

Create  
long-term  
impacts on  
wildlife  
conservation.

Meet relevant  
international  
standards.



## RESCUE AND BREEDING (2014 - 2022)

### Collaborating with Cuc Phuong and Pu Mat National Parks to operate two Wildlife Rescue Centers

- 2,360 wild animals were directly rescued by SVW
- 45 different species
- About 60% release success rate
- 214,594 km travelled to rescue and release wild animals
- Construction of 74 new animal enclosures (1,100 m<sup>2</sup>), 2 veterinary hospitals (245 m<sup>2</sup>), and 1 semi-natural area (1,665 m<sup>2</sup>); repair of 1,125 m<sup>2</sup> of existing enclosures

### Facilitating and supporting other rescue centers' activities

- Directly collaborating with other governmental rescue centers to successfully rehabilitate and release nearly 2,000 animals.
- Promoting the establishment of the Wildlife Rescue Centers Association of Vietnam and facilitating the collaboration among members.
- Partially providing financial support for rescue, food, medicine, technical husbandry and veterinary care apart from advice for some rescue centers in Vietnam.

### Contributing to the recovery of pangolin populations

- Rescuing the largest number of confiscated pangolins in the world (1,633 rescued individuals).
- Supporting building capacity for rescue centres in Vietnam and Asia when they rescue pangolins.
- Several pictures of pangolin cubs were taken at release sites, together with an increasing number of photos of Sunda pangolins - showing the ongoing recovery of wildlife populations.

### Conservation Breeding

- Pioneering in the development of strategies and action plans for the conservation breeding of Owston's Civet and Pangolin in Vietnam, championing the implementation of these strategies.
- Being the only NGO in Vietnam to implement Owston's Civet and Chinese Pangolin conservation breeding programs based on the collaboration agreements with Cuc Phuong and Pu Mat National Parks, managing the only 14 Chinese Pangolins in Vietnam and 12 Owston's Civets.
- The conservation breeding program in Cuc Phuong National Park is also the only place to witness initial success in Owston's Civet and Chinese Pangolin conservation breeding in Vietnam.
- Ongoing designing plans, raising funds, building capacity towards the implementation of professional conservation breeding programs of Owston's Civets, Chinese Pangolins, and other globally threatened animals.



## ADVOCACY

- As a Vietnamese NGO with Vietnamese leadership, SVW has received the trust of the Vietnamese government in which SVW is often invited to provide recommendation based on the data and evidence from our work on the ground.
- Contributed to add two pangolin species in Vietnam to CITES Appendix 1 - put them in the highest protection level, prohibiting international trades for commercial purposes.
- Led on the development of profiles, carnivore and pangolin databases and provided recommendations Contribution to improve the species conservation and management in Vietnam circular: 160/2013/NĐ-CP; Decree: 64/2019/NĐ-CP; Decree 06/NĐCP/2019; Circular 90/2019/TT-BNN. Contribute to amend the decree 156/2018/NĐ-CP, 29/2018/NĐ-CP, 149/QĐ-TTg. Fully support the campaign of amending the decree 01/2019/NĐ-CP and 06/2019/NĐ-CP.
- SVW led a campaign to make the possession of snare traps or hunting dogs to be punishable by financial fines, which regulated in the Decree 35/2019/NĐ-CP, and to increase the punishment for wildlife poaching, trading and transporting illegally in the Penal Code.

- Joined with other NGOs to call for actions responded to COVID-19, resulting to the issuance of the Prime Minister Directive 29/TTg-2020, as well as success in working with the Vietnamese government to remove pangolin scales from the list of items covered by health insurance.
- Advocating VNFOREST to issue Decision No. 197/QĐ-TCLN-ĐDPH to provide a standard model and guide, requiring the management boards of special-use forests and protection forests to comply with the use of SMART and the model set forth by the VNFOREST.

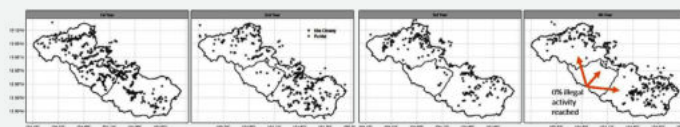


## HABITAT PROTECTION

### Collaborating with Pu Mat National Park to make it a model for the success of protecting wildlife habitats:

- Establishing the first anti-poaching team in Vietnam co-managed by a Non-Governmental Organization and government agency.
- Becoming the first organization to implement SMART CyberTracker and SMART planning for patrol activities of 100% of rangers and anti-poaching team.
- Providing all smartphones used in the SMART program, and partially provide patrolling expenses and capacity building programs for Pu Mat National Park Forest Protection Department.
- Reinforcing the collaboration with Vietnamese government in combating illegal wildlife trading and hunting through 12 conferences surrounding Pu Mat National Park.

### Outward dispersal of illegal activity from the core pangolin release site – Khe Choang, where poaching has reached 0% in 2022



Mapped SMART data from 4-year period showing complete elimination of illegal activity from Khe Choang, our core pangolin site; and linear models/LOESS trends of illegal activity per km of patrol effort show significant declining trends overall, with a large decrease in activity in the beginning of 2020. Patrolling activities resume regularly in 2020 with a combined increase of records inputted from both rangers and anti-poaching patrols.

Aside from the reduction of hunting activities, direct observations showed:

- Dense vegetation has been growing over forest trails
- More animals are detected in shorter distances
- Long trapping routes are decreasing in number
- Fixed hunting camps have disappeared
- In 2022, no rare or endangered species have been detected in snare traps or being transported by hunters

### Expanding the anti-poaching model

- Signed cooperative agreements with 05 National Parks to implement the anti-poaching model: Pu Mat, Cat Tien, Cuc Phuong, U Minh Thuong, and U Minh Ha.
- Shared experience from Pu Mat National Park's patrol model to meetings/conferences organized by VNFOREST in order to enhance the performance in forest patrol and protection.



1.045

human violators were caught



18.408

confiscated and removed traps



124

confiscated guns



1.077

destroyed illegal hunting camps

### Patrolling result

(statistics from SMART data from 06/2018 - 12/2022)

## CONSERVATION RESEARCH

### Monitoring post-release animal populations

- First organization in the world to implement monitoring of post-release pangolins using wildlife drone technology to track pangolins tagged with radio telemetry devices
- 33 pangolins has been monitored
- 08 months of monitoring the Sunda Pangolin, making it the longest monitoring time of this species in the world, cementing the success of the species' rescue and release activities by the organization
- Identified key ecological information of the post-released Sunda Pangolin, e.g. maximum home range of 5.95km<sup>2</sup>.

### Implementing wildlife research and protection at 5 National Parks using camera traps: Pu Mat, Cat Tien, Cuc Phuong, U Minh Thuong, U Minh Ha.

- Confirmation of the presence and development of Sunda Pangolin populations at 4 out of 5 operational National Parks with a total of 157 records. Providing the evidence for the recovery of pangolin populations after release.
- No definitive records of Chinese Pangolins have been reported through camera traps from above national parks; however, 01 record in Pu Mat has been suspected to be of Chinese Pangolin, which has received much approval by experts.
- Confirmation of the recovery of the Hairy-nosed Otters. A total of 43 detections have been recorded, 12 of which were at U Minh Ha NP, with the other 31 at U Minh Thuong NP.
- Record of 12 photos of Owston's Civets at Pu Mat National Park, reigniting the hope for the species' recovery in the wild.
- Record and discovery of many key populations of species such as the Asiatic Black Bear, the Annamite Striped Rabbits, the Annamite Muntjac, the Marbled Cat, the Crested Argus, the Black-Shanked Douc Langur, the Indochinese Box Turtle among other endangered species.

### Researching the status of wild Chinese Pangolin populations

- Completion of the survey of Chinese Pangolins' status at 10 National Parks in Vietnam, confirming a serious decline of the species in the wild, consequently suggesting urgent actions to protect the species.
- Incooperation with the University of Washington in using trained dogs for searching Chinese Pangolins.
- Ongoing conduct in search for Chinese pangolin in Thanh Hoa province. Initial survey record 04 Chinese pangolins were captured and traded at project sites.
- It is the first time after 20 years in Vietnam, SVW officially record 06 individuals of a viable Chinese pangolin population in a non-protected area. A mom-baby present have been detected from camera trap, has shed a ray of hope for future recovery of the species in Viet Nam. A protected area to conserve the Chinese pangolin from the verge of extinction is urgently needed.

### Species Conservation Strategy

- Taking lead in the development of the Owston's Civet Conservation Strategy 2019-2029. It is the first conservation strategy for Owston's civet, which brings the hope to save the species from extinction and recover the wildlife populations.
- Collaborating with the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to develop the Pangolin Conservation Action Plan in Vietnam. The final draft has been completed and awaits for approval by the Prime Minister.



## SOCIAL RESEARCH

- Completed the initial social research surveys with 3,073 officials and local people in campaigns to reduce demand for wildlife in Vietnam
- Carried out social studies: research on pangolin consumption, research on wildlife farms, research on threats to wild animals (Owston's civet, otter, pangolin), research on buffer zone communities, research on bushmeat consumption, underground research on illegal wildlife trafficking and pangolin scale at traditional medicine shop, human wildlife conflict issues, PFES and background, community survey on basic awareness on wildlife.
- Interviewed over 22,000 traders, hunters and consumers of wildlife products, wildlife farms, traditional medicine doctors, officers, employees and communities around the forest in over 20 provinces.



## EDUCATION OUTREACH

- Built and ran the first Pangolin Conservation Education Center in Vietnam so that people can come to learn, experience and connect with rare nature and wildlife.
- Inspired 8,156 children in the buffer zone of Cuc Phuong National Park to enjoy their very first program of "valuing nature in childhood". 90% of them decided not to use any products from wild animals.
- The program "Pangolins coming to school" attracted the participation of more than 7,000 students, teachers and parents to learn about pangolins and wildlife. 90% of them committed to join hands to protect Pangolin and wildlife.
- Involved 6,194 children in core and buffer zone of Pu Mat National Park participating in 5 components of conservation education about nature and wildlife in "Join me to protect Pu Mat forest" program.
- Inspired and motivated nearly 3,370 law enforcement officials through training programs, seminars and field visits.
- Trained nearly 200 students participating in conducting social research on demand reduction.
- Advocated and convinced 1,219 forest-based citizens, 1,608 governmental officials and 18 restaurant owners in the buffer zone to sign commitments to not eat, consume, hunt and trade wild animal products.
- 2,937 people from 105 villages in 16 communes around the Pu Mat National Park participated in sharing livelihood development to reduce the impact on forestry resources.
- Implemented 2 campaigns to reducing demand for wildlife in Con Cuong district and Vinh city of Nghe An province, and expand 5 campaigns to reduce demand for wildlife in Dong Nai, Lam Dong, Binh Phuoc, Ca Mau, Kien Giang province.
- Inspired, raised awareness and encouraged the participation of around 24,000 students, teachers, enterprises, non-profit organizations and many followers on our social media covering Facebook, Instagram, Youtube and the SVW website and other communication channels of projects.



# PRIORITY ACTIVITIES

1

Rescuing, rehabilitating and releasing confiscated animals from illegal wildlife trade in collaboration with Cuc Phuong National Park and Pu Mat National Park, including the support for SVW facilities, animals' food, veterinary equipment and medicine, animal keepers and veterinarians.

2

Establishing and empowering the Vietnam Wildlife Rescue Network as well as supporting financial, animals' food, technical husbandry and veterinary care for some small governmental wildlife rescue centers.

3

Establishing facilities, human resources and equipment for national and international conservation breeding programs for threatened species that are facing extinction in Vietnam, with an initial focus on Owston's Civets and Chinese Pangolins.

4

In collaborating with Vietnam Administration of Forestry to scale up using SMART to all protected areas in Vietnam and applying the smart technology in protecting forests.

5

Enhancing law enforcement activities to combat illegal wildlife trade, especially at SVW's key protected sites, such as Pu Mat National Park.

6

Developing and implementing awareness-raising campaigns for local communities and school children around SVW's key protected sites, with an initial focus on Pu Mat National Park and extend to Cat Tien, U Minh Thuong, U Minh Ha.

7

Establishing the Wildlife Conservation Education Centre in Pu Mat National Park to raise local communities' awareness and support sustainable eco-tourism in the Park.

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Developing and implementing educational and behavioural changing campaigns to reduce wildlife demand in Vietnam.

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10

Developing and implementing sustainable alternative livelihoods for local communities around Pu Mat National Park to reduce poaching and illegal trading activities.

11

Monitoring post-released animals using wildlife drone and radio-tracking devices at the release sites in order to study the behavior, ecology, and post release survival rate.

12

Using thermal drone to research on endangered wildlife population (e.g. elephant, gaur, otter) and carry out the human wildlife conflict mitigation.

13

Collaborating and engaging with the Vietnamese government to amend and suggest policies and laws to suit the conservation situation in Vietnam, as well as to develop and implement effective species conservation strategies accordingly.



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