

# IUCN SSC Asian Wild Cattle Specialist Group

2018 Report



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## Local Action/Activities

(1) North of England Zoological Society, Global Wildlife Conservation, Center for Conservation of Tropical Ungulates, UK

(2) Wildlife Alliance, Cambodia

## Number of members

80

## Social networks

Facebook:

IUCN Asian Wild Cattle Specialist Group

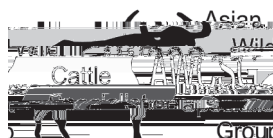
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## Mission statement

The mission of the Asian Wild Cattle Specialist Group (AWCSG) is to promote the long-term conservation of the Asian wild cattle species amongst stakeholders, and being implemented, following a PHVA workshop in 2018. The One Plan approach for conserving Anoa (*Bubalus depressicornis* and *B. quarlesi*) and Banteng (*Bos javanicus*) in Indonesia will be implementing two site-based projects, while the *ex situ* status will have been improved with cooperative breeding efforts in Indonesian zoos. This programme (Action Indonesia Global Species Management Plans) will have built capacity of the national zoo association and set up cooperative breeding programmes for the first time: (1) establish a breeding centre in Viet Nam; (2) improve protection of Tamaraw population.



## Network

Capacity building: (1) hold one training workshop for Indonesian zoo educators to set up network and test out materials; (2) hold a PHVA Tamaraw workshop and produce a report; (3) hold two animal husbandry training work-

shops for zoo keepers on Banteng, Anoa and Babirusa; (4) hold one animal husbandry training workshop for forest ranger staff on Anoa and Babirusa; (5) assess Indonesian zoo experts to plan future training.

#### **Communicate**

Communication: launch AWCSG newsletter.

### **Activities and results 2018**

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#### **Assess**

##### Red List

i. Red List assessments are completed and online, with one assessment remaining to be completed. (KSR #4)

##### Research activities

i. A paper was published on Anoa and Babirusa genetics: [rspb.royalsocietypublishing.org/content/royprsb/285/1876/20172566.full.pdf](https://royalsocietypublishing.org/content/royprsb/285/1876/20172566.full.pdf), <https://www.theguardian.com/science/2018/may/17/sulawesi-alfred-russel-wallace-wallacea-biologists> (KSR #32)

ii. A publication on Tamaraw is available at: <https://www.asianwildcattle.org/newsletter.html> (KSR #32)

#### **Plan**

##### Planning

i. The Global Species Management Plan for Banteng, Anoa and Babirusa was completed and approved by the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA). (KSR #15)

ii. The *Bornean Banteng Action Plan for Sabah* was published in 2018: [https://www.asianwildcattle.org/uploads/1/2/1/8/121825577/bornean\\_banteng\\_action\\_plan.pdf](https://www.asianwildcattle.org/uploads/1/2/1/8/121825577/bornean_banteng_action_plan.pdf) (KSR #15)

iii. The Regional Collection Plan for wild cattle and camelids was completed and approved by EAZA. (KSR #15)

#### **Network**

##### Capacity building

i. The PHVA Tamaraw Workshop was held and the report is being written. (KSR #15)

#### **Communicate**

##### Communication

i.

### **Summary of activities 2018**

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Species Conservation Cycle ratio: 4/5

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Assess	3	
Plan	3	
Network	1	
Communicate	1	

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Main KSRs addressed: 4, 15, 32

KSR: Key Species Result