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BABY HOUSE RENOVATION
Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Programme





Orangutans in Batang Toru are still threatened by hunting
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Rugged primary rainforest in Batang Toru
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The Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Programme has been working to protect the critically endangered Sumatran Orangutan since 2002.

SOCP has a proven record for delivering measurable results in the field of confiscation, rehabilitation and reintroduction of orangutans, long-term research and monitoring, as well as a strong dedication to the conservation of critical orangutan habitat in a country where there continues to be enormous pressure for economic development at the expense of wilderness and biodiversity, and forest governance remains weak.



The Tripa Peat Swamps Forest burning in 2012. Orangutans are threatened by habitat destruction as forests are cleared to create palm oil plantations and for mining activities.
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SOCP RESCUES ORANGUTANS...



...stranded by habitat loss,
being kept as pets or traded
illegally

Since the completion of the SOCP's Batu Mbelin orangutan quarantine centre near Medan in North Sumatra in 2002, over 200 orangutans have been confiscated and brought to the quarantine center. More than 220 have already been reintroduced to the rainforest in Jantho Pinus Reserve, Aceh Besar and Jambi National Park in Jambi.



adult female orangutan kept as a pet prior to confiscation

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Septian was rescued in Kutacane, Southeast Aceh in September 2011

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Gokong was rescued in Allue Billie Nagan Raya, West Aceh in February 2013

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SOCP collaborates under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the PHKA/BKSDA (Indonesian Conservation Authorities) to confiscate orangutans kept as pets and to prosecute actors involved in the illegal trade of orangutans.

All confiscated orangutans are first brought to the SOCP's Quarantine Centre in Batu Mbelin, North Sumatra, Indonesia. The facilities were mostly built by local villagers and most of the current staff of the quarantine grew up nearby.

Most of the orangutans' food is locally grown fruit and vegetables provided by farms surrounding the quarantine centre. By nurturing close ties with the local communities we have fostered an excellent 'community spirit' and can count on the full support of the indigenous Karo Batak people.

The Quarantine Centre includes:

- A well-equipped veterinary clinic;
- Four isolation cages comprising sixteen holding cages with interleading doors for reconfiguration as necessary;
- One set of socialisation cages comprising six cages that are reconfigured to allow orangutans to be introduced to each other very gradually;
- Four long-term holding cages for orangutans that can not be released into the wild;
- Staff accommodation and canteen, orangutan food kitchen, composting facility and generator housing; and ...

THE BABY HOUSE



*babies are being housed
in the isolation cages ...*
PHOTO : SOCP



... until the Baby House is renovated
PHOTO: JESS MCKELSON, SOCP



*routine medical check in
the SOCP clinic*

PHOTO: SOCP



*feeding time - some babies
are placed in the vet house
until the Baby House
is renovated*

PHOTO: JEANNE GERSTER

THE BABY HOUSE

is especially designed to house young infants in the first few years of socialisation and care, and includes facilities for a vet and a keeper to provide 24 hour care. There is an indoor room and outdoor cage, where the babies are taught how to climb, build nests, feed independently and socialize with other orangutans.

At night they sleep in hammocks, which mimic a nest, so they are accustomed to the conditions they would encounter in a real nest, off the ground and in the trees.

The Baby House has deteriorated rapidly in the last 12 months. Due to the humid weather and the lack of circulation, the roof has rotted out, doors have rotted, and the indoor facility remains wet most of the time creating mouldy, unhygienic conditions. The outdoor cage has started to rot. Major renovations are needed so that the Baby House meets welfare standards and the babies can be safely housed there without risk of injury.

The Quarantine Centre is increasingly receiving younger babies under the age of three years. In the past twelve months over five orangutan babies have been confiscated, bringing the total to seven needing 24 hour attention and care. Due to the deterioration of the Baby House, these seven orangutan infants are now placed in the vet house and the isolation cages during the day, and these cages are too small to meet the development needs of the infant orangutans.

SOCP is seeking funds for redevelopment of the Baby House: to make it a clean, sustainable and safe facility for young infant development; and to maximise the development of the skills required before the babies can be moved to the socialisation cages with the other orangutans.



RENOVATION

new steel mesh nests

new steel mesh nests for the babies to sleep in – the babies will be given fresh leaves every day so they can learn to build nests



extend outdoor cage

New extension cage added to the small outdoor cage. This will allow slightly larger orangutans, that are not yet ready to transfer to the socialisation cage, to be housed outdoors so they can begin to learn how to be more independent without keeper interference.

This will enable SOCP to house two groups of orangutans during their initial years of learning and development



new floor and filtration

Install a mesh floor to prevent babies coming to the ground.

Install a concrete slab and biofiltration system under the mesh floor for proper cleaning and health management



Install new nylon slides to allow easy transfer of orangutan babies between indoor and outdoor areas.

doors and windows

replace rusting metal doors with new, durable nylon doors, install opening windows, including on the back wall, to improve air circulation and to increase air flow during the daytime



kitchen

open up doors and cupboard spaces to prevent damp conditions. All milk storage, blankets and baby products are kept in plastic tubs to prevent wet conditions



new roof

extend and replace the roof to attract more sunlight into the house. Install sunroof areas to prevent dark areas and to allow humid conditions to dry out naturally

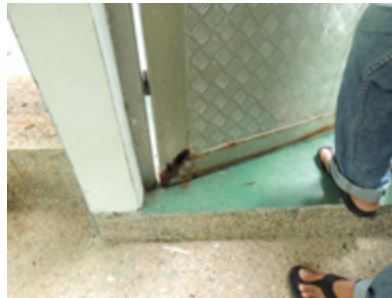


new paint inside and out

to treat stains and to cover marks, to improve lighting internally and to protect the walls externally



New aluminum keeper access doors to the outdoor cage



BUDGET: USD 35,000

PROGRAM:

STAGE 1

Renovation inside and out completed so that orangutan infants can be transferred into the Baby House.

Target: August 2014

STAGE 2

Roof extended and replaced.

Target: November 2014



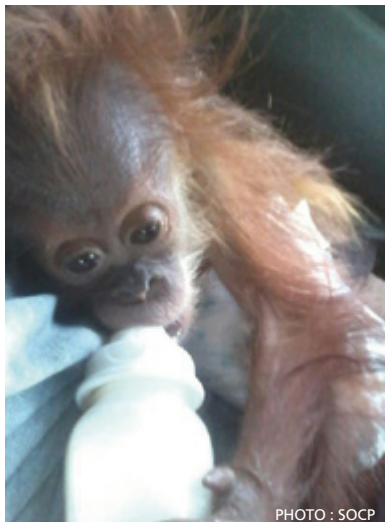


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Megaloman, 4 months old, confiscated from Kuatcane, Aceh, in May 2014.



PHOTO : SOCP

Genung, 4 years old, confiscated from Genung Jaya village, Aceh, May 2014.



PHOTO : SOCP

Mendabu, 4 years old, confiscated from Mendabu village Kutacane, Aceh, April 2014.



PHOTO : NATALIE TOWNSEND

Siboy, 1 year old, confiscated from Rawa Singkil, Aceh, April 2014.



PHOTO : CRAIG JONES

Gokong, 3 years old, confiscated from Nagan Raya, Aceh, 19th February 2013.

THE BABIES



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Nadya, 2 years old,
confiscated from Tapaktuan, Aceh,
3rd June 2014.



Rahul, 7 years old, from northern Sumatra.
He is disabled and requires permanent care
PHOTO: JESS MCKELSON, SOCP

WHO WE ARE



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REGINA FRY
President and Managing
Director, PanEco
As a biologist Regina
Frey has worked since
1973 to preserve the
habitat of the Sumatran
orangutans of Indonesia.
After completing studies
at the University of
Zurich, Regina Frey
and a fellow student
travelled to Sumatra.
There the two women
built the first orangutan
rehabilitation centre
in the Gunung Leuser
national park on behalf
of WWF International, the
Indonesian government
and the Frankfurt
Zoological Society.



JESS MCKELSON
International Project Manager, SOCP
Jessica McKelson is Co-Founder of Earth 4 Orangutans
campaign, Founding Director of Raw Wildlife
Encounters and former Supervisor of Primates at
Melbourne Zoo, Australia. Currently Jessica's role
includes managing the Quarantine Station and
international communications for SOCP.



IAN SINGLETON
Director, SOCP
Dr Ian Singleton is a former zookeeper, specialising in orangutans.
After completing a Ph.D study of orangutan ranging behaviour in the
Gunung Leuser National Park, Ian joined with PanEco and YEL in 2001 to
establish the Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Programme. He is the
current Director for the SOCP.

RICHARD ZIMMERMAN
Founding Director
Orangutan Outreach
An orangutan lover since his
childhood days, Richard took
his first trip to Indonesia to see
wild orangutans with his own
eyes in 2006. What he found
was the near total destruction
of the forests of Borneo and
Sumatra and hundreds of
orphaned orangutans being
cared for in rescue centers.
He established Orangutan
Outreach in 2007. Working
with like-minded groups and
individuals around the world,
Orangutan Outreach has raised
well over a million dollars for
orangutan conservation.
Orangutan Outreach is SOCP's
partner for the Baby House
renovation project.



PROJECTS

Since 2000, the Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Programme (SOCP) has been involved in most aspects of Sumatran orangutan conservation including:

- Rescue, quarantine and reintroduction of illegal pet orangutans;
- Surveys and monitoring of remaining wild populations;
- Habitat conservation;
- Research on conservation and behavioural ecology of wild orangutans;
- Conservation education and raising awareness.

SOCP's original core activities were the rescue and reintroduction of illegal pet orangutans, and surveys and research of wild populations, but we now are increasingly active in the battle to save the remaining wild habitat of the species.

SOCP continues to take a leading role in surveying and monitoring the status of all remaining wild orangutan populations in Sumatra using remote sensing and field surveys to record presence or absence, density estimates, and threats and population trends.

SOCP is seen as the foremost authority on the status and distribution of remaining wild Sumatran Orangutans, and is increasingly active in the battle to save the species' remaining wild habitat.

SOCP is a collaborative programme of PanEco Foundation (Switzerland) and its counterpart NGO Yayasan Ekosistem Lestari (Medan, North Sumatra). Currently close to 70 local staff assist with implementing the various SOCP programmes in Aceh and North Sumatra.



Find out more about SOCP's projects at www.sumatranorangutan.com

SOCP's partner in the Baby House renovation project is the 501(c)(3) non-profit Orangutan Outreach, whose mission is to protect orangutans in their native habitat, while providing care for orphaned and displaced orangutans until they can be returned to their natural environment.

Orangutan Outreach collaborates with partner organisations around the world to raise funds and promote public awareness of orangutan conservation issues.

Orangutan Outreach was founded in 2007 by Richard Zimmerman, with two primary goals:

- to bring attention to the crisis facing orangutans in the wild; and
- to raise funds for orangutan conservation projects in Borneo and Sumatra.

Orangutan Outreach works closely with organisations including the Sumatran Orangutan Conservation Programme (SOCP), International Animal Rescue (IAR), the Borneo Orangutan Survival Foundation (BOS), the Center for Orangutan Protection (COP), and the Jakarta Animal Aid Network (JAAN).



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ON THE WAY TO FREEDOM

Since 2002, over 220 Orangutans have been returned to their natural environment by the SOCP's reintroduction programme



thank you

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Baby House Renovation
please go to:

<http://redapes.org/babyhouse>

For more information please contact
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