

WILDLIFE CRIME IN PENINSULAR MALAYSIA - STATUS & CHALLENGES

Executive Talk:

Combating Wildlife & Forestry Crime 2017

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

- INTRODUCTION
- STATUS
- CHALLENGES



INTRODUCTION



WILDLIFE CONSERVATION LEGISLATIONS EVOLUTION

- First legislation to protect wildlife in the Federation of Malaya
- Wildlife Commission of Malaya in 1932
- Wild Animals and Birds Protection Ordinance 1955

Protection of Wildlife Act 1972 [Act 76]

• International Trade in Endangered Species Act 2008 [Act 686]

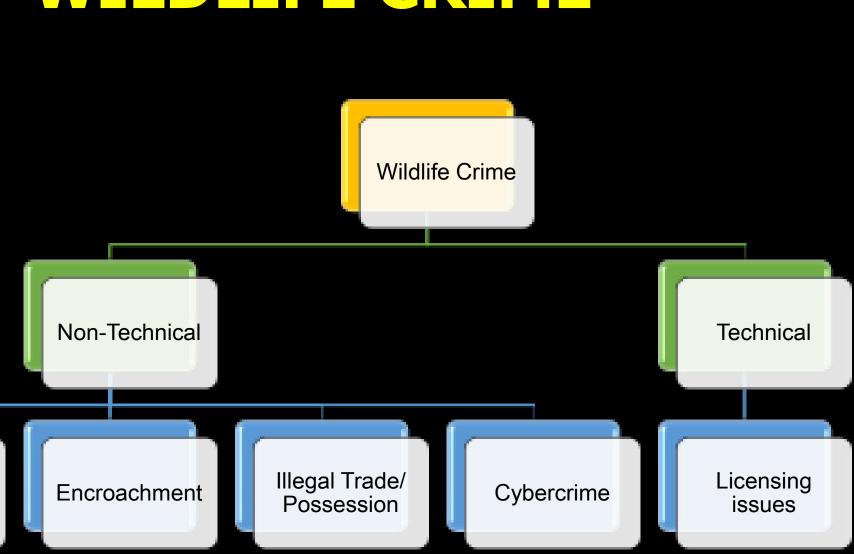
Wildlife Conservation Act 2010 [Act 716]



Poaching

Smuggling

WILDLIFE CRIME





POACHING

SNARES 2010 - 2016: 2,519 traps/snares - 3 priority landscapes.









Tiger Killed (2010 – 2016)





2010-2016: 23 IP opened related to big cat cases consist of 29 tigers (*Panthera tigris*), 8 leopards (*Panthera pardus*) & 4 clouded leopards (*Neofelis nebulosa*).



POACHING

FIREARMS



2010-2016:

- 27 cases of elephants killing reported
- 48% by poaching & 52% by retaliation killing







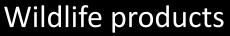
WILDLIFE SMUGGLING

- Live animals
- Wildlife products
- Wildlife parts











Pangolin



Orang utan



Ivory



SMUGGLING

IVORY





2011-2016

- 4,959 pcs seized were handed over to DWNP by RMCD
- 15 tonnes







SMUGGLING

IVORY

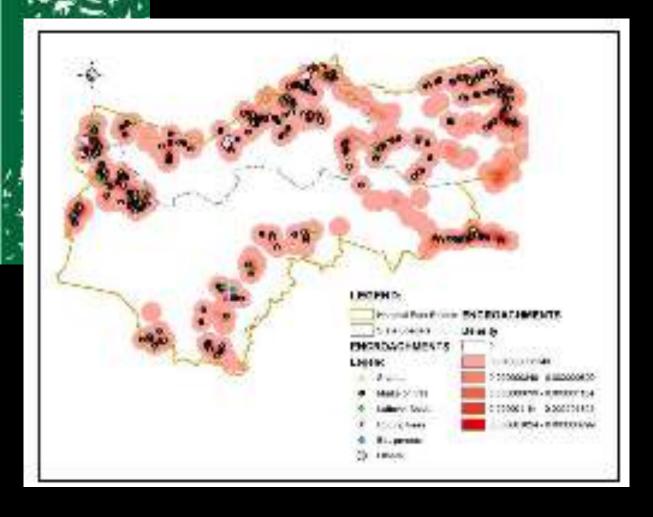


On 4th July 2017, Hong Kong customs seizes 7.2 tonnes of ivory from Malaysia in a 40 foot container

DWNP & NCB/
INTERPOL assisting the investigation.

Photo: www.scmp.com

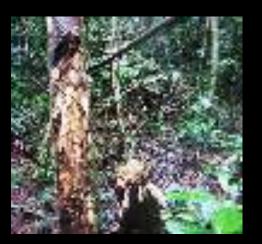
ENCROACHMENT



Minimum estimate of losses due to encroachment in Taman Negara NP (2006 – 2013)

PARTICULAR	VALUE (RM)
AGARWOOD	80,320,000
TIMBER / WOOD	32,760,000
POACHING	4,092,500
TOTAL	117,172,500

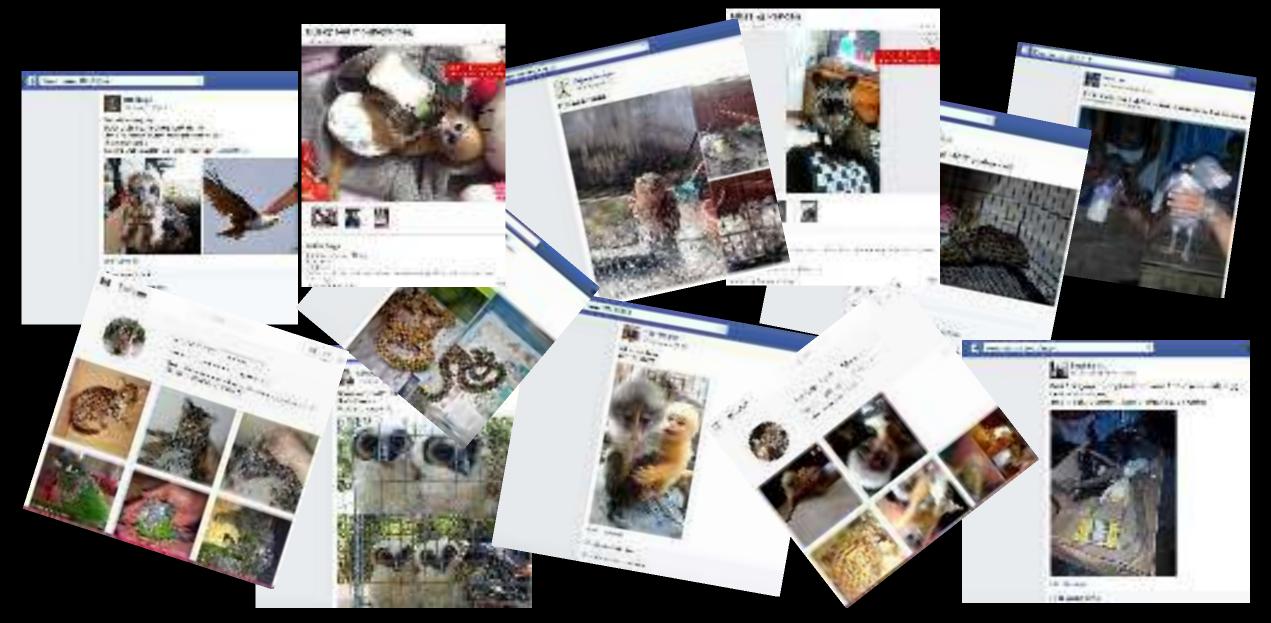
* RM 14.6 million annually







WILDLIFE CYBER CRIME

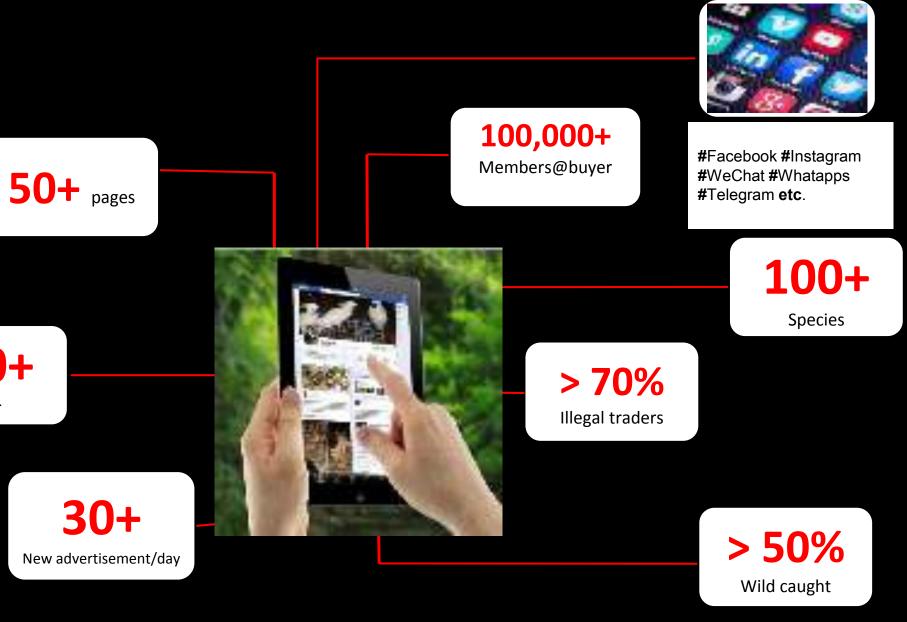




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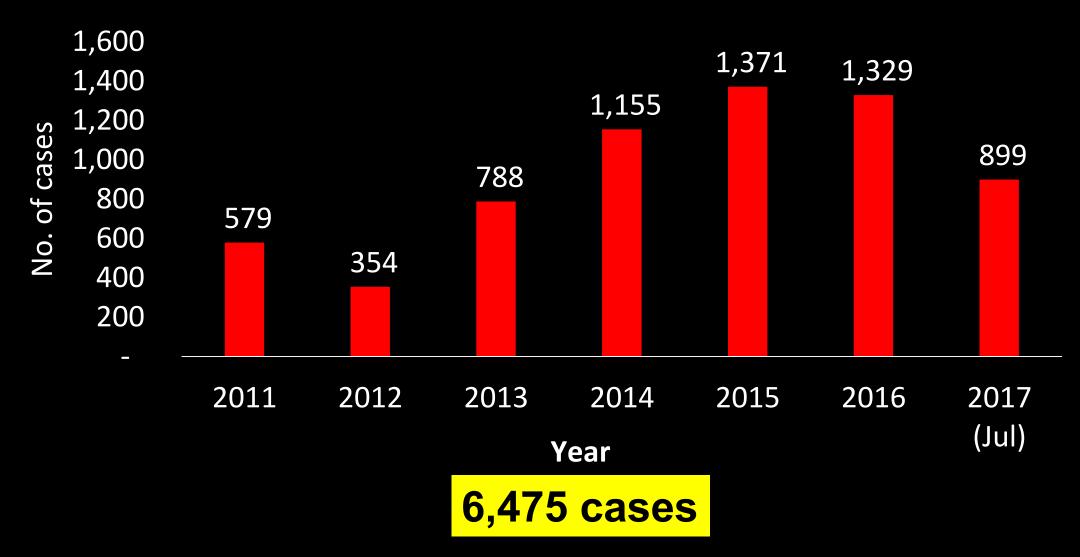




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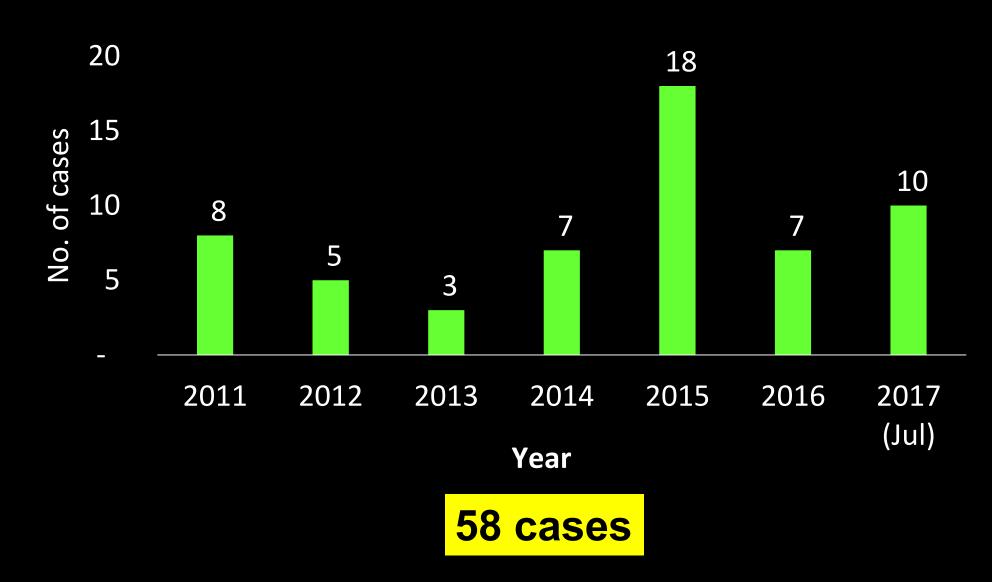


WILDLIFE CRIME CASES (2011 - JUL 2017)





POACHING CASES (2011 - JUL 2017)





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LOCATION	2014	2015	2016	2017
TAMAN NEGARA NATIONAL PARK (TNNP)	6	6	6	6
ENDAU-ROMPIN NATIONAL PARK (ERNP)	1	3	3	2
ROYAL BELUM STATE PARK (RBSP)	1	3	3	2
KRAU WILDLIFE RESERVE	1	-	-	2
TOTAL OF OPERATION	6	12	12	12











ARRESTED	2014	2015	2016	2017
LOCALS	0	33	17	51
VIETNAM	13	4	2	0
CAMBODIA	6	14	0	8
THAILAND	0	0	1	2
INDONESIAN	0	0	0	11
OTHERS	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	19	51	20	72

All illegal foreigner sentenced to imprisonment between 3 to 15 month



NO. OF CASES RELATED TO WILDLIFE CYBER CRIME (2013 - JUL 2017)

YEAR	NO. OF CASES
2013	1
2014	32
2015	8
2016	13
2017 (JUL)	5
TOTAL	59



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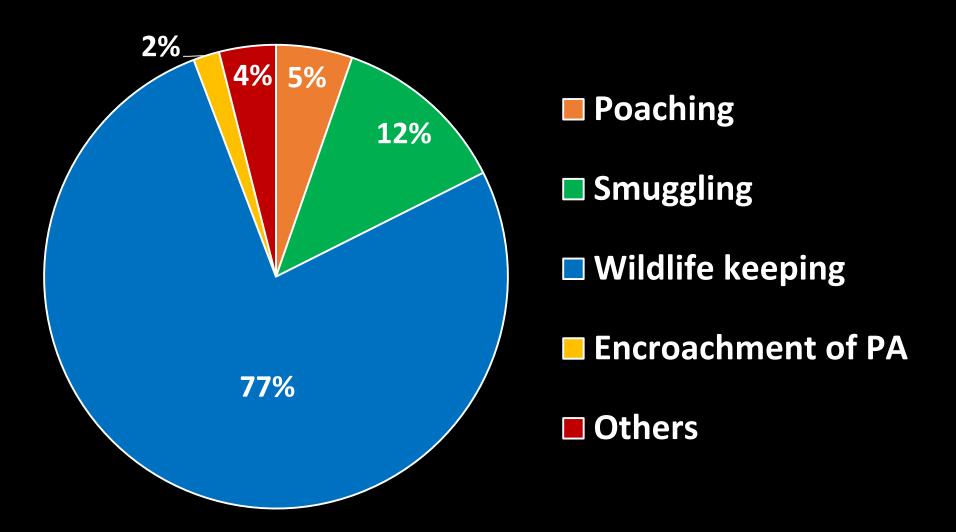


NO. OF WILDLIFE CONFISCATED (2012 - JUL 2017)

No.	Species	Conservation status	Number of seizures
1	White-rumped Shama	Protected	5,654
2	Red-eared Slider	Controlled Species	5,027
3	Baya Weaver	Protected	3,278
4	Malayan Box Turtle	Protected	2,732
5	Pangolins	Totally Protected	2,230
6	Black Pond Turtle	Totally Protected	1,775
7	Clouded Monitor	Protected	1,658
8	Indian Star Tortoise	Protected	1,116
9	Monocellate Cobra	Protected	443
10	African Grey Parrot	Protected	289



NUMBER & TYPE OF CONVICTIONS FOR OFFENDERS (2011 – JUL 2017)





CHALLENGES



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MANPOWER



FUNDS



VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT



INTELLIGENCE WORKS



PUBLIC AWARENESS



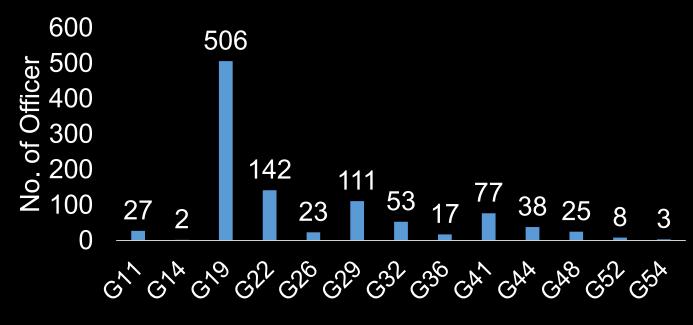
EXPLOITATION

PERHILITAN

MANPOWER



No. of Technical Officers





Taman Negara NP: 431,453 ha

No. of officer: 59

Total Technical Officer = 1,032 (only 35% in enforcement work)



98 officers



ECOTOURISM

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT



OPERATIONAL BUDGET

- Utility bills
- Petrol/Diesel
- **Emoluments**
- Maintenance / Service
 - Rental

SPECIAL FUND

Upfront paymentDealings with suspectEquipment



FUNDS

INTELLIGENCE WORKS

- Informant
 - Agents
- Undercover officer



REWARD

- For every information given
- For every successful seized



VEHICLES & EQUIPMENTS



VEHICLES

ACTIVITIES

Wildlife Conflict: 6,000 complaint / year

Enforcement
Operation 100 ops / year
Investigation 1,000 cases/year

Wildlife Rescue / Veterinary
Services:
1,000 cases / year

For Enforcement:

2 vehicles / state

20% dept. vehicle used for enforcement



INTELLIGENCE WORK





ORGANIZE CRIME



TRANSNATIONAL CRIME



SOPHISTICATED MODUS OPERANDI

Difficulties of undercover jobs



Sharing information within agency/country



High Risk



Long time period of operation



Need latest gadget & technology



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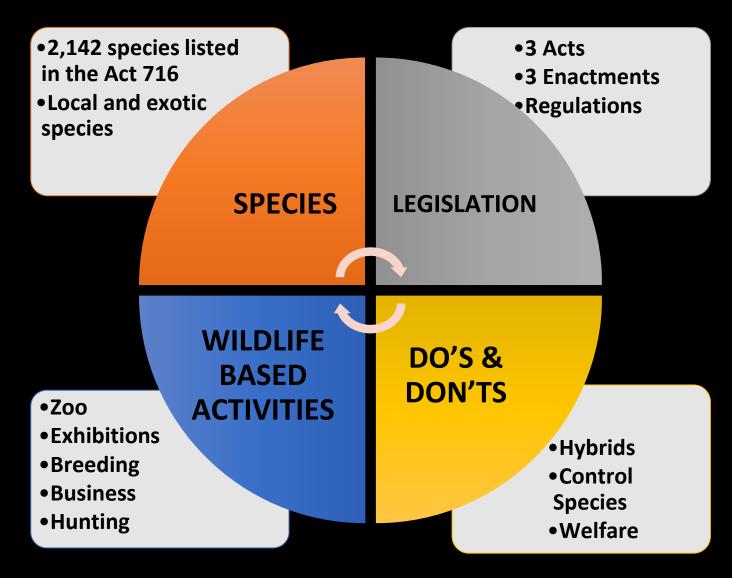






PUBLIC AWARENESS







WILDLIFE EXPLOITATION



TRADITIONAL MEDICINE

EXOTIC MEAT

ACCESSORIES/ TROPHY

PETS

EXHIBITION



THANK YOU