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Dear readers,

At the outset I thank all my colleagues for their tireless work and commitment in ensuring the welfare of Zoo Animals and also of visitors. Due to tough situation created by the COVID 19, there has been drastic reduction in visitor flow and this inturn has affected zoo revenue. I must also appreciate zoo visitors for their support in adhering to COVID appropriate behaviour.

In order to ensure the safety of children and also to continue spreading the message of conservation we resorted to web based classes and seminars.

Another major milestone in the history of Mysore Zoo was created during this period. We could successfully import 1 male and 2 female African Cheetahs for the benefit of our visitors and also to create awareness about this majestic mammal. Hon'ble District Incharge Minister, Sri S T Somashekhar dedicated Cheetahs for public viewing.

This period also saw the continued financial assistance to Mysore Zoo by animal lovers. We thank all the donors for their kindness and support during this tough time!

We hope that this tough phase will get over soon and till then stay safe!

Thanking You!

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2. Wildlife Week Celebration

Mysuru Zoo Celebrated World Wildlife Week during the first week of October. As a part of the celebration, photographs of all the participants of Wildlife Photography Competition were displayed at the zoo library for public viewing. This exhibition was inaugurated on 2nd October by Sri Vipul Kumar IPS, Inspector- General of Police, Southern Range, Mysuru. Sri. B.P. Ravi IFS, Member Secretary, Zoo Authority of Karnataka, Sri. Ajit Kulkarni IFS, Executive Director, Mysuru Zoo graced the occasion.



3. e-Youth Club 2020

Youth Club is a unique conservation programme run by Mysuru Zoo for the last 26 years involving the young children aged between 12-18 years. The knowledge we impart to the members of the club is vital to their understanding of the components of Biodiversity and their interaction. In this program, the selected participants are engaged in learning activities every Sunday from July to December. However, due to COVID 19 situation this year it was started only during October and for the first time the classes were held through online classes. Resource persons shared their experience with participants through online classes. Youth Club 2020 was inaugurated by Sri Vipul Kumar IPS, Inspector- General of Police, Southern Range, Mysuru, by interacting with all the participants through e-mode. Sri. B.P. Ravi IFS, Member Secretary, Zoo Authority of Karnataka, Sri. Ajit Kulkarni IFS, Executive Director, Mysuru Zoo were also present at the occasion.



4. Dedication of newly arrived African Cheetahs for Public viewing

Recently acquired three African Cheetahs, after completion of Quarantine, were dedicated to public viewing by Hon'ble District In-Charge Minister for Mysuru Sri S T Somashekar on 15/10/2020.



5. World Gibbon Day

October 24th marks International Gibbon Day. The special day is all about the adorable lesser apes, who are also called "jungle acrobats" because of their superb mobility. There are a total of 18 species of gibbons, all endemic to southern Asia. According to the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, almost all gibbon species are endangered, and four of them are assessed as "critically endangered" due to degradation or loss of their forest habitats.

In this context, Mysuru Zoo celebrated the World Gibbon Day on 24th October 2020 to create awareness about this jungle acrobats. On this day students and the visitors were briefed by displaying posters.



6. World Bird's Day

A day to shine a spotlight on issues critical to the protection and survival of birds, both captive and wild. There are a lot of different species of birds in the world and 12 percent of the world's (almost 10,000) bird species are in danger of extinction.

In this regard, Mysuru Zoo took initiative to create awareness about the birds by celebrating World Bird's Day on 12th November 2020. On this day, several worksheet activities related to conservation of birds were organized for the visitors and the visitors were briefed by the display of informative posters.



7. Developmental Works

The following is the pictorial glimpse of ongoing developmental works at Mysore Zoo.

i. Himalayan Black Bear & Sloth Bear Moat Wall Repair



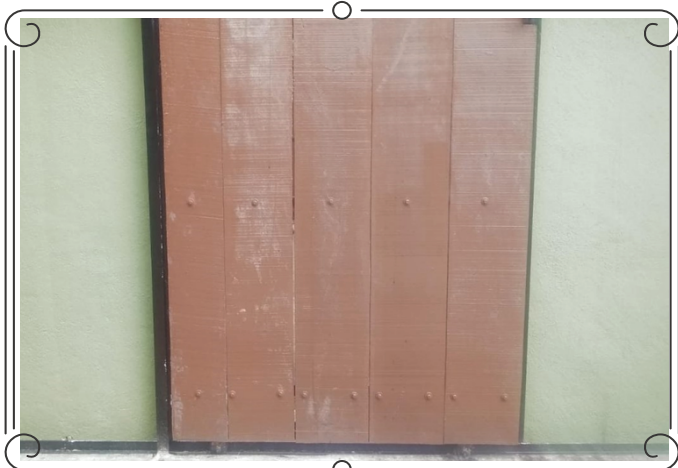
ii. Asiatic Elephant enclosure moat wall repair



iii. Mouse Deer Holding Room Reconstruction



iv. Installation of doors for Zebra Holding House



v. Repair of tree guard-cum-bench and paving at the Entrance



vi. Creation rain shelter at S 4 Gate



vii. UGD Repairs behind Restaurant



8. News in Brief

8.1 Major adoption

Name and Address	Name of the Birds / Animals	No. of Animals/ Birds Adopted	Term	Amount
Pramod Srivatsa Deccan Arcade-2, F-004, 3rd main, 5th stage, BEML Layout,RR Nagar, Bangalore-98.	Golden Jackal	1	1 Year	20,000
H M Gopinatha # 3 A12/B Ranga Rao, Colony Ramakrishna Nagar, K Block, Mysuru-570022	1.Spotted Deer 2.Peacock 3.Indain Cobra 4. weatern Grey Parrot 5. Common Ostrich	5	1 Year	25,000
SmtSettipalli Lalith Sanjeeva Reddy	Elephant (Vedavathy)	1	1 Year	1,50,000
Sneha Sinchana Trust(R) Bengaluru,Karnataka,India117, Ground floor, East of NGEF Layout, Kasturinagar, Bangalore-560043	1. Flamingo 2. Peacock White 3. Finch 4. Alexandrine Parakeet	4	1 Year	26,500
Chetan Chaturvedi Flat no D-601 Vaishnavi Nakshatra, Tumkur road,Yeshvanthpur, Bangalore	Flamingo	1	1 Year	20,000
M Yashodhamma #83, 6th main, 2nd block Jayalakhmipuram, Mysuru	1. Four Hornedantelope 2. Golden Jackal	2	1 Year	25,000
Abhijna Eswara Rao L-171, 6th main, 2nd stage Hebbal, Mysuru	Black panther	1	1 Year	35,000
Nature Club J.S.S Academy of Higher Education & Research Mysuru	1.Tiger 2. Nilgiri Langur 3. Mouse Deer 4. Peacock	4	1 Year	1,21,000
Rotaract District 3190 Rtr Raj Vamshi KB, DRR-20-21	Indian Grey Wolf	1	1 Year	20,000

Lets Do It Mysore #Prashanth Plaza, 4thMain, 5thCross, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru.	1. Golden Jackal 2. Mouse deer 3. Indian Cobra	1	1 Year	20,000
Apex Softcell (India) Pvt Ltd, G-2 Matharu Arcade, 32 subash road, vile parle (Fast)Mumbai.	Asiatic Elephant	1	1 Year	1,75,000
Thammesh Gowda President of Karnataka Vidyuthshakthi Nigama	Cheetah	1	1 Year	50,000
Sri Rajeev Kishore Mathur, A3-1004, Elita Promenade, J.P.Nagar 7th phase, Bengaluru- 560078.	White Tiger (Thara)	1	1 Year	1,00,000
Adhav S A #47, Gajalakshmi Nilayam, 2nd Main road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-16	1. Coated Otter 2. Lion Tailed Macaque 3. Ring tailed Lemur 4. Great Indian Hornbill	4	1 Year	25,000
Venkatesh Maddibande Sheshad- rivasan Chunchagatta Main Road, Konankunte Vilege.	Hippopotamus	1	1 Year	75,000
Minu & Sharan #761, 7th cross, Ramanuja Road, Mysuru-570004.	Flamingo	1	1 Year	20,000

8.2. Retirement / Transfer of officials and Officers.

Sri H. B Manjunath, SFS –retired on 29/10/2020 after serving for a period of 3 years as a Deputy Director of Mysore Zoo.



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