



Celebrating 25 years of Central Zoo under the NTNC Management

ADOPT AN ANIMAL



“SHARE THE CARE”



National Trust for Nature Conservation-Central Zoo
Jawalakhel, Lalitpur

1. Background

The Central Zoo is the oldest Zoo of Nepal. Its history dates back to 1932 as a private collection of the late Rana Prime Minister Juddha Shumser at Jawalakhel, Lalitpur. After the political changes in 1950, the ownership of this private Zoo came under the Government of Nepal and was opened to the public in 1956. Over the years, the management of the Zoo remained under various government departments. The Government of Nepal



formally handed over the management responsibility of the Zoo to the National Trust for Nature Conservation (NTNC) for 30 years in December 1995.

Today the Zoo has become a focal point in promoting animal welfare, rescue and rehabilitation and treatment of wild animals, including creating conservation education opportunities especially for urban children. The Zoo is also a site of historical and cultural significance for multi-ethnic communities and is enjoyed by more than a million of visitors annually. Central Zoo is the only institute in Nepal fully dedicated to ex situ conservation, also serving as a refuge and sanctuary for rescued and problem animals of Kathmandu Valley and its adjoining areas. The Zoo is dedicated to providing life-long care to more than 100 species of wild animals including those displaced, rescued, orphaned and injured.

The Central Zoo aims at establishing itself as a Centre of Excellence in conservation education, wildlife research and ex-situ wildlife management, taking a scientific and ethical approach of a modern zoo philosophy, while making the zoo financially stable by promoting recreational learning opportunities.



2. Introduction about Animal Adoption Program

On the occasion of 25th Anniversary of the Central Zoo under NTNC management, a year-long program is



being launched. This year on World Wildlife Day 2021 on March 3rd, Central Zoo has come up with an exclusive concept of the Animal Adoption Program that will be implemented under the "Share the

Care" campaign. The Zoo currently houses more than 100 species of animals with annual expenses of NRs amounting to 30 million. Due to COVID 19, the Central Zoo was severely affected since being closed for almost 10 months. With this campaign, NTNC-Central Zoo aims bring together funding and befriending opportunities for promoting animal care and welfare to cope with this dire situation.

Due to COVID-19, Central Zoo has faced obstacles in providing proper care and nurturing to wildlife under its responsibility. The Animal Adoption Program has therefore been developed with a motive of building



support and care for our wild animals. As a part of this program to adopt an animal of one's choice (favorite animal), contributions can be made in the following ways:

- ◆ Raising fund for wildlife and its welfare
- ◆ Protecting and promoting animal welfare
- ◆ Being a part of wildlife conservation

3. Why to adopt?

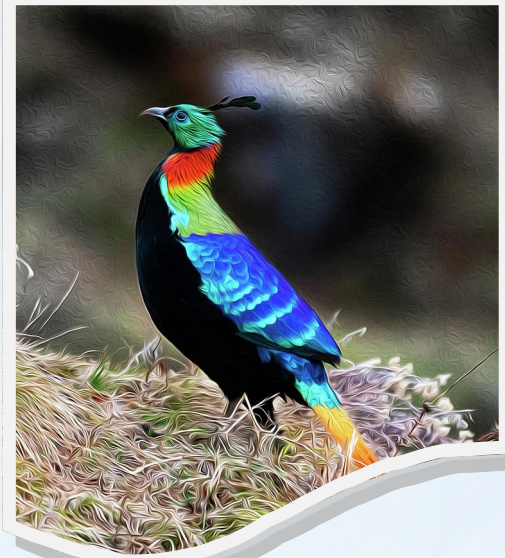
The **adoption program** is a novel way to show your support and care for wild animals. By adopting your favorite animal, you will contribute towards feeding, enrichment, nourishment and medication of the animal for one full year (or period of adoption). You will be part of the Central Zoo's efforts in wildlife conservation.

Central Zoo is involved in conservation of endangered species and other conservation projects -all of which need the support of concerned people like you.

Finally adopting an animal is fun not only for you, but for your friends and family too. An adoption makes a great gift for

birthdays, anniversaries etc., and is always unique and auspicious. Show your concern towards conservation.

Offer a hand. Take a step!



4. How do I adopt an animal?

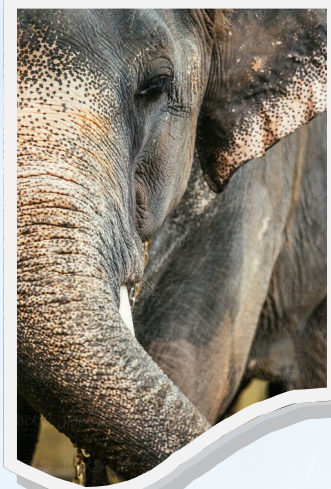


- I. Pick your favorite animal/s from the list noted in this leaflet.
- II. Choose your level of support.
- III. Fill in the attached form and drop it in the mail box or hand it over at the Central Zoo office along with payment.
- IV. You can always gift an adopted animal to a special someone, your spouse or children, parents, relatives, friends

4. Adoption Charges



Zoo animal	Number of individual in the zoo	Annual cost for individual animal (NPR)	Total Cost (NPR)
Greater One-horned Rhinoceros	3	1,500,000	4,500,000
Asian Elephant	1	1,500,000	1,500,000
Royal Bengal Tiger	4	1,500,000	6,000,000
Hippopotamus	1	1,200,000	1,200,000
Common Chimpanzee	2	1,000,000	2,000,000
Siamang	2	500,000	1,000,000
Sloth Bear	4	500,000	2,000,000
Himalayan Black Bear	4	500,000	2,000,000
Gharial Crocodile	1	350,000	350,000
Red Panda	2	250,000	500,000
Himalayan Monal (Danphe)	6	75,000	375,000
Sarus Crane	3	75,000	225,000



By adopting the animals, you will help on supporting for their care, nutrition and enrichment.

