

Monitoring Visit Report

Visit Details

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Location	Central Zoo, Jawalakhel, Lalipur
Dates	27-29 th August 2019
Objectives	To monitor the programmes and activities at the Central Zoo

Agenda

The following activities were completed as part of the monitoring visit:

Date	Time	Activity	Participants
27/08/2019	14:00-18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meeting with the CZ staffs (Programme, Finance and Administration) on sharing the objective of the visit.Presentation and discussion on the achievement made so far based on the budget for FY 2075/76Field monitoring	Program, Administration and Finance staffs
28/08/2019	14:00- 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Field monitoring	The monitoring team accompanied by the CZ Project Chief
29/08/2019	14:00-18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Field monitoringMeeting with the section in charge, CZConsultation meeting with the key stakeholders	The monitoring team accompanied by the CZ Project Chief. Representative of the Lalitpur Municipality Members of the FoZ teachers' committee

General Observations

- The meeting in the Central Zoo started with the progress briefing by the Project Chief. the Key highlights of the presentation:
 - The zoo has 117 species of 1069 individual exhibit animals at present.
 - This fiscal year is the 23rd year of association of NTNC with the Central Zoo.
 - The zoo made 85% financial progress against the annual planning and budget.
 - New digital display centre has become attraction for the visitors.
 - Capacity building – (a) appreciative learning (b) Indian zoo visit

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- Technical support provided to the mini zoo in different province
- The food store and animal kitchen were observed. The animal feed management was effectively done with ample consideration of sanitation. However, some fungal infection in the wet grains such as grams were noticed.
- The tiger enclosure was gradually covered by certain invasive species. This may reduce the chances of easy observation of tiger by the visitors.
- Some parts of the aviary walk ways were not well maintained.
- The entry ticket counter was found crowded during the pick hours thereby creating inconvenience to the visitors.
- Plastic ban inside the Central Zoo was initiated together with the Lalitpur Municipality. The representative from the Municipality appreciated effective implementation of the ban.
- The zero waste in the Central Zoo initiated together with the Lalitpur Municipality was also considered effective.
- The used and unused visitors' entry receipt older than 5 years have not yet been disposed.
- There is increasing members of 'Friends' of Zoo'. The zoo has become an important centre of learning to the school students.

Specific Issues & Actions

Issue identified	Actions to be taken
Use of relevant technology in the management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● E-ticketing should be introduced to improve the visitors' satisfaction.● Incubator for effective handling of captive breed animals
Unmanaged storage of used and unused visitors' entry receipt	Dispose all the receipts older than 5 years
Scientific documentation of conservation breeding possibilities of certain endangered species	Initiate scientific documentation of conservation breeding of at least one species
High chances of contamination in the food store and kitchen	Food store and kitchen contamination must be improved with proper equipment to the staff such as gloves, mask, apron, etc.
Tiger enclosure covered by some invasive species	De-root and remove all the unwanted plants inside the enclosure
Inadequate infrastructure in Aviary sections	Gradually improve the walking path and other aviaries