

NGOs AND WILDLIFE PROTECTION



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NGOs AND TIGER PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION:

The Malayan tiger continues to decline:

• 1950: **3,000** tigers

2014: 250-340 tigers

• 2019: **less than 200 tigers** are left in the wild within the Central

Forest Spine

Reason for decline

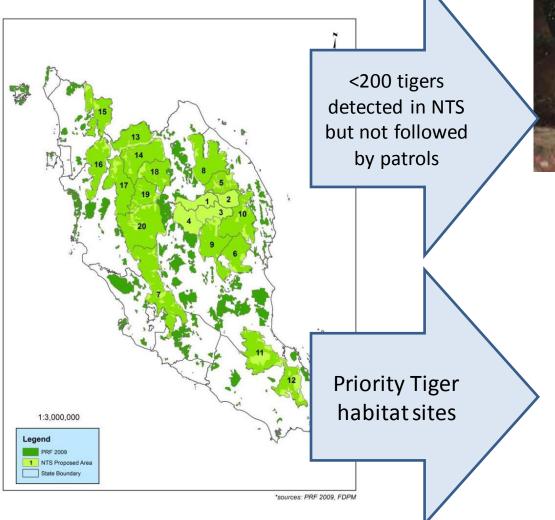
- Habitat loss
- Poaching
- Lack of capacity for intensive patrolling

The urgency to enhance NGOs role in 12th Malaysia Plan

- To address the chronic lack of rangers within government agencies for patrolling
- To implement many of the priority protection actions of the National Tiger Conservation Action Plan (NTCAP) related to
 - Protection of species Malayan tiger and prey species
 - Protection of priority habitats –
 National Parks, State Parks and
 Protection Forest Reserves

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NTCAP: 1st NATIONAL TIGER SURVEY (NTS, 2016-2020) 2 major outputs





Sites

Royal Belum State Park

Taman Negara NP Pahang

Taman Negara NP Terengganu

Taman Negara NP Kelantan

Endau Rompin National Park

Temengor FR

Korbu FR

Ulu Kinta FR

Tapah FR

Ulu Jelai FR

Perias FR

37 CFS Ecological Corridors

RM KE12: Enabling NGOS & Communities to intensively patrol tiger, prey and habitats

- 20,000 sq km of the Central Forest Spine are priority tiger habitats
- Tiger Reserve in India has 3 staff per 10 sq km for patrolling and protection
- Therefore, Malaysia needs 6,000 rangers
- Existing strength is 1,000 wildlife and forestry rangers in Malaysia
- Proposed army deployment 2,000 army personnel
- There is a shortfall of 3,000 patrolling staff
- However, there are thousands of Orang Aslis/communities residing within/around these tiger habitats who should be the guardians
- NGOs (MYCAT, WWF Malaysia, WCS Malaysia, PELINDUNG, RIMBA)
 have the experience in hiring these communities for tiger protection
- Under RM Ke12 NGOs should be enabled to hire, train & deploy 3,000 community rangers to assist the agencies to:
 - patrol and protect these tigers and their habitats on daily basis
 - Undertake forest rehabilitation and replanting at tiger habitats at the CFS Ecological Corridors

