

Training and Conferences held in 2009-10

The Central Zoo Authority has sponsored a workshop on conservation breeding of snow leopard from 6-8th November 2009 at Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park Darjeeling. More than 20 participants from various zoos and institution attended the workshop and discussed the issues related to the snow leopard conservation.

The Central Zoo Authority has provided financial assistance of Rs. 3.2 lakhs each to MCBT Mahabalipuram, Lucknow Zoological Park Lucknow, Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park Pune and Assam State Zoo Guwahati for organizing 2 weeks training workshop on "Management of reptiles in captivity" for keepers working in zoos on regional level. About 80 zoo keepers from various zoos attended the training programme.

To provide hands on training to contain & deal avian influenza in zoos, two days training was organized at Guwahati in collaboration with Assam State Zoo Guwahati Assam for the zoo veterinarians and wildlife veterinarians working in eastern and north-east India from 18- 19th May 2009. 14 veterinarians and 3 resource persons participated in the training programme. An amount of Rs. 3.9 Lakh was provided to Assam State zoo for organizing the same.

The Central Zoo Authority nominated and sponsored zoo personnel in following workshop.

1. 14 para medical staff from zoos for attending a course on "Ethical treatment to the animals" organized by the National Institute of Animal Welfare Ballabgarh from 26-31 November 2009.
2. Directors of Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Darjeeling, Manda zoo Manda (Jammu), Nature Park Kufri, High Altitude zoo Nanital, and Himalayan Zoological Park Gangtok for attending the "International Conference on conservation of Hangul & other endangered deer species" held at Srinagar from 9-13th October 2009.
3. Veterinarians from Arignar Anna Zoological Park Vandalur, Madras Crocodile Bank Trust, Chennai Snake Park, Trivananthaapuram Zoological Park and Thrissur zoo for attending International conference on "Wildlife conservation, health and disease and management- A post millennium approach" held on 3-5 February 2010 at Chennai.

The Central Zoo Authority sponsored Shri Rahul Bhatnagar, Deputy Chief Wildlife Warden Warden Udaipur & In charge of Udaipur Zoo and Dr. Atul Gupta Veterinarian Van Vihar NP & Zoo Bhopal for attending the Endangered Species Recovery Course organized by the Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust Jersey UK from 20.07.2009 to 7.08.2009.