ANIMAL HOUSES:





Mullick House: It is the first animal house constructed within the Zoo. It was built with the financial help of Raja Rajendra Mullick Bahadur of Chorebagan, Calcutta, an enthusiastic animal fancier of his time. He was the first Indian Donor of the Zoo. It is a round brickbuilt structure with six radiating outer wire-netting cages. Initially it was used to keep fowls and pheasants. Currently it is converted into a



Burdwan House: It was built at the expense of the Maharaja of Burdwan in the year 1879. It is 250 feet long, 32 feet wide and divided into 11 double chamber dens. At present it is the house of lion.



Ezra House: The Ezra House was built by the late Mr. David Ezra. He donated a pair of Giraffes to the zoo and to keep these the house was



Gubbay House: The Gubbay House was built to commemorate the name of Mr. Ellias Gubbay. The enclosure is an oblong brick-made edifice measuring 50 feet long by 30 feet broad by 22 feet high with an arched roof. Previously it was the house of Apes and Monkeys. At present it is renovated for Nocturnal House.

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From The Director's Desk

We are back with the third edition covering zoo news from April to June 2018.We are very happy to announce the success stories of captive breeding, series of educational programmes, adoption success. We hope the readers will enjoy this edition to the fullest.



Asis Kumar Samanta, IFS Director

Zoological Garden, Alipore



Raja Rajendra Mullick Bahadur

Raja Rajendra Mullick Bahadur was the first Indian donor & patron who came forward with the promise to help the Zoo. The present "Mullick house" which was initially a pheasant house was the first to be completed within the zoo garden and was named after him. He donated the animals such as bear like monkey, fish eagle, white stork, rosy tantalus, purple coot, black headed ibis, demoiselle crane, hardwickzs spur fowl, sambar deer, black bear in the month of February 1876 and langur, in the month of March 1888.

New Borns: /





Retirement:



♦ Water Snake



In the month of May, after maintaining adequate temperature and humidity, around 40 nos snakes were born.

♦Water Monitor Lizards



In the month of May, 14 nos monitor lizards were born.

♦Rock Python



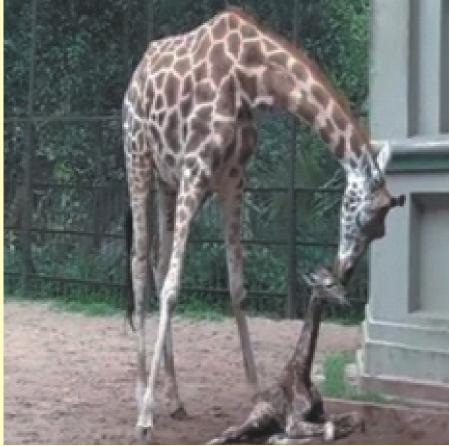
In the month of July, 18 nos Rock Python were born.

♦Zebra



In the month of April, a male zebra foal was born to the mother Rohini at night.

♦ Giraffe



In the month of May, a female giraffe Munia was born to the mother Trina in the morning.



Haripada Mondal, Head Durwan Grade-I got retired on 05/05/2018. He had earned good will for his dedication and commitment towards his job. He was felicited by the Alipore Zoo Authority officials. He served at the zoo for over 41 years.



Biswanath Kahar, Mate Mali, got retired on 30/06/2018. He had earned good will for his dedication and commitment towards his job. He was felicited by the Alipore Zoo Authority officials. He served at the zoo for over 34 years.

Footfall: (2017-18)



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Zoo Education:



ENTRY MEANS	FOOTFALL
TICKETS	35,41985
PASS	7553
TOTAL	3,549,538

Total Schools and Colleges:

SCHOOL/COLLEGE		TOTAL STUDENTS
TOTAL COLLEGES	4	227
TOTAL SCHOOLS	12	575





Procession with placards to create awareness about pollution.

ShriVinod Rishi, former Addl. DG (WL) GOI during a discussion.

MONTH	NO. OF ADULT	NO. OF CHILDREN	TOTAL NO. OF VISITORS	REVENUE
APRIL	105793	8980	114773	3263590
MAY	114379	9641	124020	3527780
JUNE	165885	16552	182437	5142070
TOTAL	386057	35173	421230	11933440

■ Observance of International Earth Day:

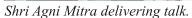
To raise awareness and promote the importance of Earth Day and to end plastic pollution, International Earth day was observed on 23/04/2018. The main objective was to make people aware of the plastic pollution and its adverse effects Students of Bhangar A.H. High Madrasah with the teacher on environment. The students and teachers of Bhangarh A.H. High Madrasah and Officials of Zoological Garden, Alipore actively participated in the programme. After an interactive presentation by Anuradha Dutta, Zoo Educator, an educational zoo visit was conducted.





Guided Zoo visit.







Students making paper bags.



Students attending the workshop.

■ The Earth Day Network:

For spreading awareness about the adverse effects of plastic on the environment and the plastic pollution, an awareness programme was organized on 27/04/2018. In collaboration with the Earth Day Network, Zoological Garden, Alipore organized the programme to promote the theme of plastic free world. Fifty students from different schools took part in the programme. They made paper bags to promote the idea of banning plastic bags. Shri Agni Mitra, IFS, Regional Deputy Director, WCCB Eastern Region also came forward and delivered an interactive lecture on plastic pollution.

Zoo Education:



Updates from Veterinary section:



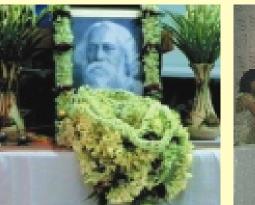
■ Rabindra Jayantee celebration: On the occasion of 125th birth anniversary of Kabiguru Rabindranath Tagore a programme was organized on 11/05/2018. After lighting the lamp by Shri V. K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF and Member Secretary, WBZA, cultural programmes were organized by the staff of Zoological Garden, Alipore like song presentation, poem presentation etc. Shri Asis Kumar Samanta, IFS, Director, ZGA, Kolkata delivered speech on "Prokritibhabnai Rabindranath".



Shri V. K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF and Member Secretary, WBZA inaugurating the programme by lighting lamp.



Shri V. K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF and Member Secretary, WBZA addressing the audience.



Celebration of Rabindra Jayanti.



Cultural programme by the staff of ZGA.



Sri V.K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF & Member Secretary, WBZA felicitating Smt. Damayanti Sinha for her recitation performance.



Members of Zoological Survey Of India with placard.



Participants.



Cleanliness drive.



Deputy Director with the children.

■ Swacch Bharat Mission:

In association with Zoological Survey of India, Kolkata, The Zoological Garden, Alipore, Kolkata had organized a cleanliness drive at differet enclosures on 29th May, 2018. The main objective of the programme was to raise awareness on plastic pollution and beating plastic pollution. A procession with placards and banners was organized. Children of the staff of Zoological Garden, Alipore actively participated in the programme. At the end of the day, they were given gifts for their participation in the programme.

■ Treatment of zebra foal:

A zebra foal was born on 15.04.2018 and unfortunately it was found that he was suffering from naval illness on 26.04.2018. Necessary treatment with systemic as well as local application was carried out accordingly and the animal was recovered uneventfully on 07.05.2018.



Treatment of the Zebra Foal by the Veterinary Officer.



The Zebra Foal during the treatment.



Treatment of the Kangaroo.



The Veterinary Officer putting a bandage on the wound of the Kangaroo.

■ Treatment of Kangaroo:

During feeding on 04.06.2018, in its enclosure, a female kangaroo got attacked by another dominant male and a scratched perforated wound was developed on her right forelimb. The animal was instantly shocked and profusely bled. Necessary emergent treatment was rendered immediately and consequent treatment was continued till the complete recovery up to 14.07.2018. Similar emergent treatment was rendered on the perineal maggot wound until its full

Adoption:



• Animal adoption scheme for the seesion 2018-19 (Month April, May, June):-

PARTY NAME	AMOUNT	ANIMAL	DATE	PERIOD
Pallishree Limited	40000.00	1 Male Fishing Cat, 1 Female Fishing Cat	03.05.18	11.05.2018 to 10.05.2019
Ballygunge Fodder Mills	10000.00	1 no. Four Horned Antelope	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Pir Mohammad	20000.00	1 no. Fishing Cat	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Smriti Prabha Chowdhury	30000.00	3 nos. Mouse Deer	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Niva Chowdhury	30000.00	3 nos. Mouse Deer	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Mr. Abdul Hamid	10000.00	1 no. Porcupine	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Anwarul Haque	10000.00	1 no. Hornbill	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Raja Enterprise	10000.00	1 no. Barking Deer	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
State Bank of India	900000.00	7 nos. Giraffe & 2 nos. Jaguar	04.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Anil Pandey	10000.00	1 no. Red & Blue Macaw	05.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Horticultural Development Society	10000.00	1 no. Yellow & Blue Macaw	05.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Tuhin Roy	10000.00	1 no. Yellow & Blue Macaw	05.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Soumojit Ghosh	10000.00	1 no. Red & Blue Macaw	05.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Tanmay Mukherjee	10000.00	1 no. Peacock	05.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Rajnandini Mallick	10000.00	1 no. Yellow & Blue Macaw	03.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Anusuya Chatterjee	10000.00	1 no. Peacock	05.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Karukrit Advertising Pvt. Ltd.	10000.00	1 no. Brow Anterled Deer	14.06.18	05.06.2018 to 04.06.2019
Subham Chakraborty	20000.00	2 nos. Tortoise (Giant)	24.06.18	26.06.18 to 25.06.19
Patton (Caring Mind)	75000.00	Zebra (Female)	29.06.18	05.07.18 to 04.07.19
Total	1280000			

Zoo Education:

■ Celebration of world **Endangered Species Day and World Biodiversity Day:**

World Endangered Species Day is observed on 18th May and World Biodiversity Day is observed on 22nd May. To create awareness on these days, an awareness programme was observed at the Zoological Garden, Alipore. On 18.05.2018, around 56 students from Thanamakhua Model High School took part in the commemoration. Different programmes were organized to promote the importance of the day, like sit-and-draw competition, procession with banners, placards, guided zoo visit, interactive presentation by the zoo educator etc. The attending faculty and students from the institution also shared their views.



Smt. Runia Ghatak, Zoo Dietician during





Shri Prabal Naskar, Headmaster, Thanamakhua Winners with their paintings. Model High School delivering talk.



Procession in front of Ezra House.



Felicitation of the Animal Attendant by

the Member Secretary, WBZA.



Interactive Presentation by the Zoo Educator.

■ Commemoration of World **Giraffe Day:**

On 21st June, 2018 World Giraffe Day was observed with zoo officials and staffs. A procession with banners was conducted upto the Giraffe enclosure. Soon after the procession, the programme began with the welcome address by Shri V.K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF & Member Secretary, West Bengal Zoo Authority. World Giraffe Day is very important for Zoological Garden, Alipore as one of the major attractions of the zoo are the Giraffe. There are a total of 11 giraffes which are of a superior variety. The keepers of the giraffe take proper care of the animals and help in their well being. For this reason, on World Giraffe day, the Giraffe Keepers and the Animal Supervisors of the wing were felicitated by Shri V. K. Yadav, Addl. PCCF & Member Secretary, WBZA. Later an interactive presentation was delivered by the Zoo Educator. The programme continued for about 3 hours.

ZOO Seminar & Workshop:



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the children.

Adoption:

On 05/06/2018, 18 adoptive parents came forward to support animal adoption scheme for the welfare of adopted animals. Around 26

animals were adopted which includes Brow Antlered Deer, Giraffe, Mouse Deer, Macaw etc. State Bank of India had adopted the highest i.e 7 Giraffes and 2 Jaguars. In addition, a sit and draw competition and plantation was conducted to promote awareness amongst



■ Seminar on standardization of animal diet and enrichment:

A seminar was organized to throw some insight into the Standardization of Animal Diet And Enrichment of Enclosures. Shri V.K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF & Member Secretary, WBZA and Officials of the Zoological Gaarden, Alipore along with the Veterinary Doctors attended the programme. After a brief cultural programme by the staff of Zoological Garden, Alipore, Interactive presentations were delivered by Smt. Runia Ghatak, Zoo Dietician and Smt. Tania Chatterjee, Zoo Biologist to promote awareness among the animal attendants and zoo keepers. Veterinary Officers of Zoo conducted an interactive session to throw more insight on the topic of discussion.



Smt. Tania chatterjee, Zoo Biologist delivering



Smt. Runia Ghatak, Zoo Dietician delivering presentation.



Dr. Shivaji Bhattacharya, Veterinary Officer during interactive session.



Interaction with the Audience.



Sit & Draw competition.



Children with their paintings.



Plantation by Shri V. K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF and Member Secretary, WBZA.

■ World Environment Day:

On 05.06.2018 to commemorate World Environment Day, a sitand-draw competition and plantation was conducted to promote awareness amongst the children. Children of the staffs of the Zoological Garden, Alipore participated in the sit and draw competition. Shri V.K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF & Member Secretary, WBZA distributed the prize to the participating children. The sitand-draw competition was followed by a plantation programme by Shri V.K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF & Member Secretary, WBZA and other Officials of the Zoological Garden, Alipore.





■ Awareness on animal Adoption programme:

SBI Adopting Giraffes.







Soumojit Ghosh adopting Ino. Red and Blue-



Anil Pandey adopting Ino. Red and Blue Macaw.



Horticultural Development Centre adopting 1no. Yellow and Blue Macan



Ajay Paul on behalf of Rajnandini Mallick adopting Ino. Yellow and Blue Macaw.



Abdul Hamid on behalf of Syndicate Enterprises adopting Ino. Yellow and Blue Macaw.



Pir Mohammad adopting 2nos. Fishing Cat.



Subhashree Chowdhury on behalf of Smriti Prabha Anasuya Chatterjee adopting 1no. Peacock. Chowdhury adopting 3nos. Mouse Deer.





Pallishree Limited adopting 2nos. Fishing Cat.



Prize Distribution by Shri V. K. Yadav, IFS, Addl. PCCF and Member Secretary, WBZA.