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*Junior Newsletter*



## **In the shoes of game rangers, the life of wildlife's heroes.**

Welcome to Vol. 11 of our weekly junior newsletter.

In the 2nd part of our junior newsletter, we highlight present ranger roles and responsibilities in aid of our wildlife heroes on the frontline of conservation. Please click ([here](#)) for previous editions.

### **Learning objectives:**

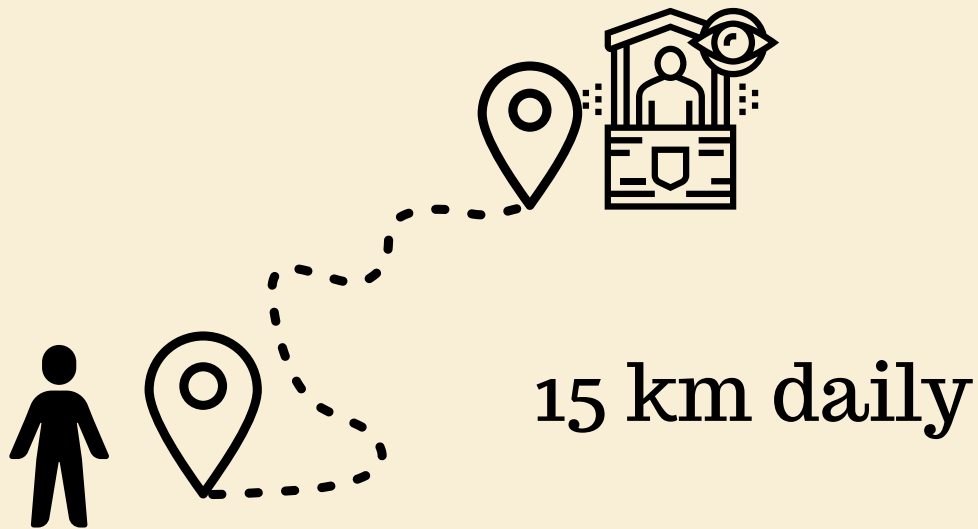
- **Operations and Responsibilities of rangers**
- **Ranger Training**
- **International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) ranger award 2022**

# Operations and Responsibilities

## Game Reserve Patrol (Daily)

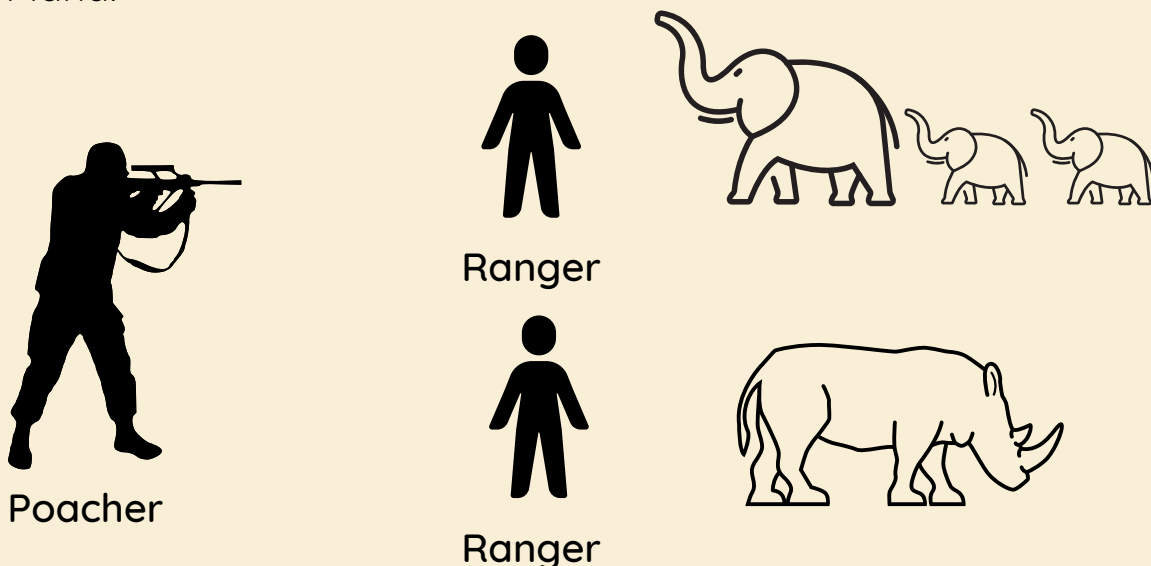
Rangers patrol game reserves and protected conservancies daily from one ranger station to another. Rangers usually start their day at 4am for their first 2-3 hour patrol, this is because early mornings are the peak time of animal activity.

Rangers are then required to return their record findings around 7 am and register for duty. See below for an estimation of a patrol distance covered daily.



## Long Range Patrol (days and sometimes weeks)

With areas of few ranger stations, a long range patrol is needed, therefore rangers are required to take large backpacks and cover large areas of land.



# Ranger Training for African Counter Poaching Teams



Picture Source: Peter Chadwick

Healthy rhino populations in Africa are credited to effective well trained and led Rangers. Only around 27,000 rhinos remain in the wild today.

We will discuss the 'How' and 'Who' of ranger trainings for counter poaching ranger teams.

How - To enhance their capabilities, counter-poaching unit rangers from local reserves will enroll in training programs to increase their confidence and problem-solving skills.

Training sessions are placed in the field where these efforts focused on high-risk areas and patrol scenarios. Mentoring sessions also focused on legal and tactical aspects of successful counter-poaching, leadership and the integration of teams together with dog units, for effective and successful incident management.

Who - A ranger trainer is an expert at terrestrial and marine protected areas, specialising in protected area risk and security assessments; counter-poaching strategy and capacitation of counter-poaching units. A trainer is tasked to organise training sessions for rangers in aid of wildlife conservation and occupational health and safety.



# International Union for Conservation of Nature, Ranger Awards (20th July 2022)



Picture Source: IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas

## Winners of the 2021 IUCN International Ranger Awards

With IUCN Ranger award on 20th July 2022, let's take a look back at winners of Ranger award in 2021. These rangers protect a wide range of wildlife species and protected areas, including National Parks and endangered species such as elephants and rhinos.

The 10 winners of the 2021 International Rangers Awards are:

1. **Anety Milimo (Zambia)**
2. **Aung Zaw Myint (Myanmar)**
3. **Bénévoles au sein de l'Aire Protégée (Madagascar)**
4. **Chhay Reap Community Crocodile Wardens (Cambodia)**
5. **Giorgi Abramishvili (Georgia)**
6. **Mahindra Giri (India)**
7. **Ninfa Carianil (Colombia)**
8. **Offossou d'Andous Kissi (Côte d'Ivoire)**
9. **Sathish Sundaram (India)**
10. **Sergey Erofeev (Russia)**

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