



This month Parc de Noé has grown once more with the **recruitment** of a **communication manager** at headquarters, an **anti-poaching expert** for Chad, and **2 community surveillance agents** in Niger. Despite **COVID-19 restrictions**, activities have progressed in the field. In Niger, **addax** groups have been located around and in the Termit and Tin-Toumma Reserve, while in Chad **public consultations** were launched for the conversion of the heart of the Binder-Léré Reserve into a National Park, and in Congo exchanges with the government accelerated to move forward on the management agreement for the **Conkouati-Douli National Park**.

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HIGHLIGHTS

-  Noé has been granted an **"Accord de Siège"** by the **Government of Niger**, which will allow Parc de Noé to benefit from the **advantages** for importing equipment, obtaining visas, etc.
-  A **mission of ecological monitoring** and surveillance of addax made it possible to locate 3 groups of **addax** (between 30 and 40 individuals), in a pasture-rich area in the North of the Reserve.
-  **Infrastructures** are progressing in the Termit and Tin-Toumma Reserve with the completion of a **new borehole (150m deep)** that provide water for the headquarters.
-  As every year, **5 pupils (3 girls, 2 boys)** from the Termit and Tin-Toumma Reserve received a **scholarship** to attend the Zinder **boarding school** in Niger. *More info here*
-  The **Ministry of the Environment and Fisheries** of Chad launched the public consultation for the **conversion** of the protection status of the Binder-Léré Reserve into a national park.

TERMIT TIN-TOUMMA RESERVE

MANAGEMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE

- Granting of an **"Accord de Siège"** to Noé by the Government of Niger which will facilitate operations (importing goods, visa) for the Termit and Tin-Toumma Nature Reserve.
- To supply the Reserve's Headquarters with water, a borehole with a depth of 150 m was successfully drilled.
- A contractor was selected for the construction of the headquarters, which is due to start in early November for a period of 4 months.
- Renovation of the **Tesker base** is underway and will be completed by mid-October.
- The **satellite internet connection** has been installed at the Tesker base.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

- 2 anti-poaching patrols were conducted, i.e. 170 man-days of patrols**, including one dedicated to addax monitoring in collaboration with the Tesker and Ni'Gouri departmental directorates and the General Directorate of Water and Forests.
- Location of **3 addax poached 3 to 4 months ago**, 2 adults and 1 juvenile, in Tin-Toumma, probably by a vehicle coming from Libya.



> *Poached Addax remains*

BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION

- Ecological monitoring of addax** has allowed to identify at least **3 groups of addax representing 30 to 40 individuals** in areas where pastures are abundant after the rainy season.

COMMUNITIES & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

- 150 man-days of patrols** to support security, intelligence and public awareness.
- Recruitment of 2 new Community Agents**
- A **sustainable pastoralism plan** for the reserve is being drawn up and consultation and negotiation workshops have been organised with the communities.
- Following the rainy season, and thus the arrival of **new vegetation**, a bush fire control programme was prepared for the creation of **250 km of firebreaks** with the communities and the Tesker Departmental Directorate.
- Organization of missions to **fight malaria**, due to the abundant rainfall in the zone.

BINDER-LÉRÉ WILDLIFE RESERVE

CREATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK

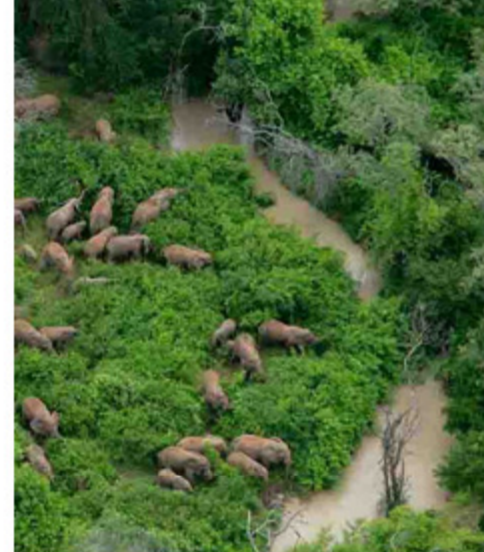
- The **public consultation phase** for the creation of the **National Park** was officially launched on September 14, during a workshop in Pala organised by the Ministerial team.
- In addition to the kick-off workshop in Pala, **local workshops** were organised in the 4 Cantons concerned by the National Park, namely Léré, Binder, Lagon and Gouin. More than **300 people** participated in these workshops and **6 local commissions** were set up.
- Press releases and spots have also been broadcast on **national television** and **3 community radio** stations, and will be maintained for the duration of the public consultation.
- A consensus was reached on the name of the National Park, proposed by the local communities of the 4 cantons. The future park will be called **"Zah-Soo"**, the Moudang name attributed to the Gauthiot Falls, which means **"place of purification"**.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

- The **recruitment of an anti-poaching expert** was finalised following individual interviews with the 5 qualified candidates. The appointment is scheduled to take place between the end of October and early November.
- The order for **individual surveillance equipment** for the field agents in charge of protecting the Reserve has been finalised and is currently being prepared by the supplier.

BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION

- The **aerial surveillance programme of the Reserve** continued this month with **20 hours of overflight** covering **3,036 km**. This aerial patrolling made it possible to locate the **herd of elephants** in the northern part of the Reserve close to the border with Cameroon, as well as **43 herds of cattle**, **26 nomadic camps** and a **fishing camp** set up at Gauthiot Falls in the heart of the protected area.




> *Éléphants localisés par avion*

FOCUS ON AN ENDANGERED SPECIES

THE KORDOFAN GIRAFFE


The Kordofan Giraffe, West and Central African giraffe or Sudanese giraffe (*Giraffa camelopardalis antiquorum*) is a subspecies of the northern giraffe and is found in western Sudan, northern Cameroon, southern Chad in CAR and DRC. The name Kordofan comes from an ancient province of Sudan. Its population fell by 85% between 1985 and 2015. Classified as critically endangered by the IUCN, at the beginning of 2018 only about 1,400 individuals remain in the wild. The Binder Léré wildlife reserve is home to around ten individuals.




CONKOUATI-DOULI NATIONAL PARK

- Exchanges with the **Ministry of Forest Economy** on the contents of the Partnership Agreement for the Management of the Konkouati-Douli National Park.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES



Valentine Caffé has joined us as **Communications Manager** in our offices in **Marseille**.



Daniel Bost has been recruited as an **anti-poaching expert** for the Binder-Léré National Park in **Chad**.


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