JOB DESCRIPTION Internship



JOB TITLE	Wildlife Rescue Assistant (Intern)
LOCATION	Cikananga Wildlife Centre, Java, Indonesia
GENERAL DESCRIPTION	Assisting the local animal keepers with their regular tasks to feed and care for the rescued animals at the centre

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Keeping animal enclosures clean and germ-free (which may require heavy manual labour in all types of weather), removing faeces and disinfecting
- Maintaining water quality in the enclosures of aquatic and semi-aquatic species.
- Preparing food such as pellets, fresh produce, or meat (and sometimes small live prey)
- Taking care of live prey to ensure good condition/quality for the predator species
- Distributing food and ensuring access to clean, fresh water to animals
- Observing animals' food consumption and checking for any signs of ill health or stress (this includes also nocturnal animals)
- Maintaining daily reports, logs, training, enrichment records, research records, as appropriate
- Keeping daily detailed records of behaviour, eating habits, births, deaths and other events
- Preparing or creating new ideas for animal enrichment to keep animals active and interested in their environments
- Repairing, building or designing environments which closely resemble the animal's natural habitat
- Assisting in the control and eradication of pests and rodents
- Following safety guidelines and reporting any safety concerns to the supervisor
- Assist in conservation awareness activities at the center which could include educating visiting local children or international schools.
- Assist work at our organic farm to ensure healthy fresh food for the animals in the center
- Cikananga promotes students to take on a project linked to their interests, this focus project will help improve husbandry, welfare of animal group or prepare for future arrivals.

REQUIREMENTS / QUALIFICATIONS

- Relevant degree or qualification, or work experience in an animal rescue centre
- Passion for animals, their welfare and conservation
- Enjoys practical, manual, and sometimes heavy work
- A medium to high level of physical fitness. This position may require significant physical effort on a daily basis such as walking, bending, stooping, repetitive motions, lifting heavy objects, or standing for long periods
- Computer literacy
- Good record keeping skills
- Excellent observational skills
- Free of (or able to manage) allergies aggravated by animal hair, feathers, fur and dust

WORKING CONDITIONS	
STATUS	Volunteer
HOURS OF WORK	7 am - 4 pm with lunch break
REPORTING TO	Centre Manager

ABOUT

Cikananga Wildlife Centre is a large facility, located in West Java, near the town of Sukabumi. The centre was founded in 2001 as an NGO sanctuary for a diverse range of Indonesian species, rescued from the illegal pet trade on the island of Java. The aim is to rehabilitate and release animals back into the wild. Unfortunately, for many animals this is not possible, because they are not native to Java (and need translocation) or they have lost their natural ability to survive in the wild