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## Amazing Species: Chinese Pangolin

The **Chinese Pangolin**, *Manis pentadactyla*, is listed as Endangered on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species™. It is distributed in southern Nepal and eastward through Northern Indo-China, south-eastern China including Hong Kong and Taiwan. Like other pangolins it is a specialist, feeding almost exclusively on ants and termites.

Chinese Pangolins are intensively hunted across most of their range for local use of its skin, scales and meat and illegal international trade. Observations in mainland Southeast Asia and East Asia indicate that there is very heavy unofficial, or at least unrecorded, international trade in pangolins and pangolin products, which evidence suggests is having a detrimental impact on this species.

A protected species in almost all range states, the Chinese Pangolin is listed on Appendix II of the Convention for International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES), to which zero annual export quotas were established in 2000, prohibiting international trade in wild-caught specimens for commercial purposes. However, greater law enforcement is urgently needed if this species is to be protected from possible future extinction.

World Pangolin Day will be celebrated on 15th February, 2014

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