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Scaling Up Civil Society - Government Partnership to Combat Rhino Horn Trafficking Networks between Africa & Asia

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PROJECT GOALS/OBJECTIVES

- Develop approaches to identify rhino horn trafficking network from Africa to Asia.
- Build commitment and capacity within law enforcement and judiciary in localities where priority criminals operate to catalyze effective enforcement actions.
- Hold local law enforcement and judiciary accountable at all steps along the enforcement process.



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KEY ACTIVITIES

To achieve the overall objectives of the project, WCS - Viet Nam program focuses on the following key activities:

- Carry out activities to gather information on rhino horn trafficking network operating in Viet Nam and linked to other countries in Asia and Africa.
- Carry out training workshops and events with journalists, university graduates and selected law enforcement officers in Viet Nam to build capacity and interest in investigating wildlife trafficking.

- Hold workshops, training programs and more informal meetings with local law enforcement in Viet Nam.
- Discover the champions in Viet Nam and provide them with on-the-job assistance.
- Track the progress of all criminal cases involving rhino horn trafficking and other high priority species linked to Viet Nam and Vietnamese people.
- Engage local and international media to build momentum on active cases or high-priority individuals.



EXPECTED OUTCOMES/FUTURE DIRECTION

- Dynamic threat assessment of suspected rhino horn trafficking in Viet Nam relating to some key countries in Asia and Africa.
- More than 100 enforcement and judiciary officers in Viet Nam directly engaged into the platform of workshops and training programs.
- A cultivated network of champions in key localities in Viet Nam who can take actions.
- A reliable, comprehensive system that provides a status update on all open cases of rhino horn trafficking related to Viet Nam.
- Increased probability of arrest, conviction, and effective penalty for crimes involving rhino horn in Viet Nam.



Intensive training on collection, management and analysis of wildlife crime intelligence, October 2016

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Basic training on wildlife identification in Ninh Binh province, September 2016

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KEY PROJECT PARTNERS

- Viet Nam National and Provincial Environmental Police Department
- Viet Nam National and Provincial Economics Police
- Viet Nam National and Provincial People's Procuracy
- Viet Nam Wildlife Support Network

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