**Monthly performance report - local partner Organization (Nature Conservation Sector)**

**For project: Preserving biodiversity in a protected area to salts**

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| **project name** | **Preserving biodiversity in a protected area salts** |
| **The project Location** | **Yemen - Al Mahwit Governorate - Malhan District** |
| **Name of the organization applying for the scholarship**  | **Sanad Relief and Development Organization** |
| **Report duration** | **80 days** |
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**project's data**

**OverviewOn the situation of the Arabian leopard in Yemen**

 Malhan Reserve in Al Mahwit Governorate - Yemen, is one of the unique natural reserves that Yemen possesses and embodies the distinction and beauty of the Yemeni environment, which is rich in all forms of plants and wildlife..
It was approved as a nature reserve by a government decision in the year 2010 AD and is also known as the “Arabian Tiger Reserve,” as it contains the Arabian leopard, lynx, and other wild animals, in addition to countless types of birds, plants, perennial trees, dense forests, and water springs that impress visitors and captivate their minds.

**ActivitiesImplemented:**

* Field trip by the organization’s team to the reserve to follow up on the results of the previous survey and inspect the reserve and its emergency needs.
* Ensure the safety of the birds in those areas, and that they do not die or are exposed to hunting
* Continue to monitor violations against rare birds, whether migratory or settled, through a volunteer team.
* Training volunteers from local activists in the targeted areas on the process of monitoring and reporting these violations.
* Implementing 3 awareness sessions in areas where rare birds of all kinds are found, criminalizing smuggling and killing, and reporting any dangers to which these birds are exposed.
* Continuation of ongoing meetings with the competent government authorities to activate the role of protection and legal prosecution of perpetrators of crimes against the leveling of protected areas.
* Coordination and continuous communication with trusted and specialized partners on the ground to work to protect the reserve.
* Continuing to search for financial funding to establish centers to monitor migratory birds, their movements, and the dangers to which they are exposed.
* Field visits were made to the reserve, accompanied by a veterinary team, to review the health of animals and birds. Ensure that citizens do not cut trees again and use them for firewood.
* Providing medical care for some birds by giving them vaccines and special food supplies to maintain their survival.
* Providing food under the supervision of a veterinary specialist for Arabian tigers in the Malhan Reserve

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