



An overview of the tragic situation in Yemen

Zoo in Taiz Governorate - Republic of Yemen.

The zoo in Taiz suffers greatly from a lack of liquidity that maintains its continued activity and enables it to take care of the animals in it and providing them with various meals according to each type of animal in the zoo and the continuous administrative apparatus who lost their source of livelihood because of the war. The lack of care and protection for the animal species in the zoo is a serious matter that may cause disease or death as a result of the severe shortage in the provision of healthy and food vehicles.

OBJECTIVES

The project aims to:

- Provide adequate nutrition for the animal species in the zoo.
- Create a typical slaughterhouse in the zoo.
- Provision of refrigerators to store food, medicines and vaccines .
- Provide optimal health care for all animals in the zoo.
- Providing all the requirements of preventive, curative and diagnostic health care tools and materials such as devices, medicines, nutritional supplements, vaccines and vitamins. Make environmentally and behaviorally appropriate adaptations for all animatronics

Project ambition:

The project aspires to rehabilitate the zoo in a way that helps it continue to receive its visitors, whose existence depends largely on the services provided in the zoo that will be covered by the project, and therefore it will have a strong financial support that will help it continue. provide its services in the long term.

ACTIVITIES

Due to what the zoo in Taiz governorate is going through in terms of scarcity in capabilities, it resulted in a lack of interest from the official authorities in the zoo, which led to a deterioration in the conditions of the zoo, the most important of which is the spread of diseases among the animals in the zoo as a result of the lack and inability of the health side

(veterinary) and also as a result of the lack of food. So these two elements were the biggest challenge it faced Sanid Organization (SORD) during this period intensified its efforts despite the meager funding and scarcity of resources, but the organization was mainly concerned at this stage in taking care of the animals inside the zoo in terms of health and nutrition in order to preserve the animals from death as a result of disease and hunger, as it considered that this is the most important thing that can be implemented.

SORD has carried out the following activities:

- The organization carried out 4 meetings with the concerned official and popular authorities in Taiz Governorate in order to study the status of the zoo and find out the causes of its deterioration and the implications of that, and the need to develop an appropriate solution to address the deteriorating situation of the zoo and search for sufficient funding to preserve the life of the animals in the zoo that suffer from disease and hunger.
- Coordinating with the Agriculture Office to appoint two veterinarians to review the health conditions of animals and contribute to their treatment.
- Work to form a joint committee of the organization, the Environmental Protection Authority, the Tourism Office and the Agriculture Office to prepare a plan to protect the animals in the zoo and improve their health and nutritional status, as well as the appearance of the zoo.
- Implementing a health campaign to treat some animals by contracting with 2 veterinarians for a week, during which he treated many animals. And (providing nutritional supplements, vaccines and vitamins through veterinarians.
- Providing a number of detergents, sterilizers, and treatments to treat animals that have been wounded.
- Drainage of rain water from those sites

- Filling an aquarium for turtles with an area of 400 square meters
- Provide food for the animals in the zoo of each type with appropriate food. The main ones are wild deer.



- Continuing to follow up on the conditions in Taiz Zoo and other zoos, monitoring events on an ongoing basis in what animals go through in these zoos, the most important of which are the zoos in Sana'a and Taiz, reviewing the health conditions in which the many animals live, taking care of them in the zoos, counting the damages they suffer and submitting reports to the competent authorities
- Conducting awareness sessions among the community surrounding the zoo as well as official and community stakeholders on the need to preserve biodiversity in the Republic of Yemen, as the organization considers protecting the environment as protecting natural resources and their sustainability for future generations

Main challenges and difficulties:

- Scarcity of capabilities and lack of support for these activities.

- Low interest and care for these animals and the lack of sufficient financial allocations to the extent that there are no monthly salaries to provide them to all workers in the zoo, it is also considered in relation to the management of the zoo and the lack of sufficient financial allocations to the extent that there are no monthly salaries to provide them to all employees in the zoo, and this would lead to a decrease in interest and take care of these animals urgently and unavoidably.

LEARNED LESONS

- A high level of awareness among the community of the importance of protecting animals and caring for the environment, foremost of which are zoos.
- The interaction of the competent authorities with the activities carried out by SORD.
- Low treatment and food due to scarcity of financial capabilities.
- The community's feeling of love, appreciation and thanks for globalgiving for cooperation and assistance to Yemen and hopes to increase support to achieve the project's objectives and protect animals in the zoos.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Increasing financial support to provide adequate food and medicine for zoo animals.
- Improving the appearance of the zoo and reclaiming the seating areas.
- Provide salaries for the zoo staff to carry out their duty towards the zoo.
- Continuous cleanliness and non-accumulation and stagnation of rain water in the zoo yards, especially near the animals .