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Dear Sir/Madam,

# Comments on the draft Pak Sha O Outline Zoning Plan (S/NE-PSO/1)

Pak Sha O is a place of high ecological and cultural value. Many fauna and flora species of conservation concern are recorded in the area. An Ecologically Important Stream (EIS) is also identified and recognized by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) in Pak Sha O. However, in the draft Pak Sha O Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-PSO/1, a new "Village Type Development" (V) zone was proposed to the north of the existing village, which was said to satisfy the current small house demand. We have reservations in the justification of the new V zone and consider that the new V zone should be entirely removed. Our detailed comments and reasons for the objection to the draft OZP are as below:

## 1. Ecological importance of Pak Sha O

From 1999 to 2014, HKBWS has recorded 175 species of birds in Pak Sha O, which accounts for about one-third of total number of bird species recorded in Hong Kong<sup>1</sup>; among them, 56 species are of conservation concern (Appendix 1). A diverse group of birds have been found in the Plan Area, including woodland birds (e.g., flycatchers, warbler, babblers and flowerpeckers), waterbirds (e.g., egrets, herons, shorebirds and kingfishers), open country birds (e.g., buntings) and raptor species (e.g., eagles and owls). The presence of such a wide range of bird species indicates the Plan Area is with diverse undisturbed natural habitats which are worthy of protection, particularly the woodland, marsh and natural streams.

One of the species of conservation concern frequently recorded in Pak Sha O is the Brown Fish Owl (Ketupa zeylonensis), which is a scarce resident in Hong Kong<sup>2</sup>. It is LOUELHEL

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total bird species in Hong Kong is 531.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Carey, G.J., Chalmers, M.L., Diskin, D.A., Kennerley, P.R., Leader, P.J., Leven, M.R., Lewthwaite, R.W., Melville, D.S., Turnbull, M. and Young, L. (2001). The Avifauna of Hong Kong. Hong Kong Bird Watching Society.

considered to be of Regional Concern<sup>3</sup> and is listed under Class II protection in the People's Republic of China List of Wild Animals<sup>4</sup>. This species feeds in undisturbed, unpolluted lowland streams and tidal creeks<sup>2</sup>. The woodlands in Pak Sha O are breeding grounds for Brown Fish Owl, while the marshes and unpolluted natural streams and their riparian vegetation are suitable foraging grounds and perches for this species. The occurrence of this species and other raptor species, which are top predators in the food web, indicates that the terrestrial and river ecosystem is in healthy condition.

Besides avifauna, other species of conservation concerns were also recorded including plants, mammals, dragonflies, butterflies, herpetofauna and fish. Over 1000 species of flora and fauna were recorded in Pak Sha O<sup>5</sup>. This shows that the Plan Area is of high biological diversity and conservation value, thus should be adequately protected.

#### 2. The new V zone is not well-justified

### 1.1 The new V zone may not reflect the genuine need of villagers

From 2000 to 2012, many of the land in front (i.e. north) of the Pak Sha O village were bought up by various developers and companies. However, in 2012, some of the agricultural lands owned by the developer were subdivided into smaller plots by deed poll, and many of these subdivided small plots were then sold to villagers. In the same year, the Lands Department received small house applications in Pak Sha O, which are located in these subdivided small plots. These small house applications then becomes the outstanding small house demand of Pak Sha O, which has not changed since 2012<sup>6</sup>. The whole process seems to be very similar to the practice of selling "ding" rights for profit and there was a recent case where villagers were charged for fraud over construction of small houses<sup>7</sup>. Hence, we have reservations on the genuineness of the "outstanding small house demand", which is one of the main justifications for a new V zone. Moreover, many of the land plots within the new V zone and those between the new V zone and the existing village are owned by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Fellowes, J.R., Lau, M.W.N., Dudgeon, D., Reels, G.T., Ades, G.W.J., Carey, G.J., Chan, B.P.L., Kendrick, R.C., Lee, K.S., Leven, M.R., Wilson, K.D.P. and Yu, Y.T. (2002). Wild animals to watch: Terrestrial and freshwater fauna of conservation concern in Hong Kong. *Memoirs of the Hong Kong Natural History Society* No. 25, 123-160.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> List of Wild Animals under State Protection (promulgated by State Forestry Administration and Ministry of Agriculture on 14 January, 1989).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Ecological data (results from surveys by individuals and green groups, and existing data extracted from literatures and publicly available sources) compiled by Christophe Barthelemy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> From data provided in TPB Paper No. 9240, 9965 and 10019, the outstanding small house demand remains at 38 and has not changed since 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> ICAC Press Release on 4 December 2015 < http://www.icac.org.hk/en/pr/index\_uid\_1771.html>

developer. It is uncertain if the villagers would really want to come back and live in the village. Therefore, we consider that the new V zone may not reflect the genuine need of the villagers and should be deleted.

## 1.2 Cross-village application mechanism already established

During the further representation hearing for the draft To Kwa Ping and Pak Tam Au OZP, the Planning Department stated that "the surplus V zone (in Pak Tam Au) could meet the SH (Small House) demand generated from cross-village applications from other villages within the Country Park enclaves in Sai Kung North (e.g. Pak Sha O and Pak Sha O Ha Yeung)"<sup>8</sup>. Extra land has been reserved in the V zone of Pak Tam Au. The small house demand in Pak Sha O can be met by cross-village applications under the current land administrative practice. Therefore, the new V zone in Pak Sha O is unnecessary.

## 1.3 New V zone not compatible with the surrounding

The new V zone is within the water gathering ground as defined by the Water Services Department, and is only 20 metres from an Ecologically Important Stream (EIS) which is recognized by the AFCD. We are concerned the village development would potentially lead to water pollution, threatening the aquatic organisms of conservation concern in the EIS of Pak Sha O and the Hoi Ha Marine Park located further downstream. Moreover, development of modern style small houses in the new V zone would lead to a significant negative visual impact on the natural and rural landscape and the cultural heritage of the Pak Sha O village. Furthermore, the increase in the built-up and paved area would decrease the flood capacity of the area. Changes to existing infrastructure may also be required (i.e. raising the level of the existing footpaths or houses) in the future for the safety of residents and visitors as the area will be prone to flooding. Therefore, the new V zone is not compatible with the natural and rural setting of Pak Sha O.

## 3. From a freshwater marsh to a farmland then to a V zone

The area where the new V zone is currently located, was once a long abandoned paddy field which became a freshwater marsh through natural succession. In 2012 (the same year as the division of land plots by deed poll, the transfer of landownership from developer to villager, and the application of small houses), a farmer from outside the village came to cultivate the area and started to drain the wetland. In the process of drafting an OZP for Pak Sha O in 2015, the farmed area was zoned as "Agriculture" (AGR) in draft Plan B (S/NE-PSO/B) due to its current

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Paragraph 5(j) of the minutes of the 1083rd Town Planning Board meeting

statue. Later, amendments were made to draft Plan B and a new V zone was proposed in draft Plan C (S/NE-PSO/C).

During the consideration of the new V zone, AFCD had "<u>no strong view</u> from nature conservation perspective as most of the area had been <u>disturbed by farming activities</u>"<sup>9</sup>. One of the Members even said "the stream abutting the footpath to the village <u>was disturbed</u> and the ecological value of its riparian zone <u>should not be significant</u>".

This series of events, together with the views from the Authority and the Members, seems to match with our doubt and concern of "destroy first, build later" when farmland rehabilitation first occurred in the marsh of Pak Sha O back in 2012. This may also give the public an impression that farming in a wetland can degrade its ecological value and would eventually lead to an approved village development.

The recognition and approval of the new V zone by the Town Planning Board may set an undesirable precedent for future similar cases. We are concerned more freshwater wetlands will be destroyed and drained by dry agricultural practices, in hope of small house developments in the future.

### 4. Our recommendations

We are concerned the current draft plan would facilitate undesirable village development in Pak Sha O and would adversely affect the natural habitat and the wildlife inhabiting the area, including the EIS and the protected Brown Fish Owl. Therefore, in order to protect the integrity of the ecosystem in Pak Sha O and alleviate the development pressure from small houses, the HKBWS considers that the new V zone should be entirely removed from the draft Plan. In addition, all woodland, all natural streams (including the EIS) and their riparian zones should be protected by "Green Belt (1)" or "Conservation Area" zoning. Furthermore, given the Plan Area is of ecological importance and is within the water gathering ground, buffer zones for the protection of streams and riparian vegetation should be zoned "Green Belt (1)" or "Conservation Area" 30 metres wide on the two sides of the bank.

The introduction of planning control alone could not fully protect the sites from activities such as unauthorized tree felling and vegetation removal. In order to fully protect the ecological and landscape values of the site, as well as the overall value of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Paragraph 72(I) of the minutes of the 1099th Town Planning Board meeting

the surrounding Sai Kung West Country Park, the Authority should consider including Pak Sha O into the Sai Kung West Country Park following detailed assessments and public consultation. HKBWS believes that Pak Sha O and surrounding areas are qualified for such purpose given its value in terms of ecology, landscape and built heritage.

Thank you for your kind attention and we hope that the Town Planning Board would take our comments into consideration.

Yours faithfully,

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#### Appendix 1 - HKBWS Bird Records at Pak Sha O (1999-2014)

No.	Common Name <sup>(1)</sup>	Scientific Name	Level of Concern <sup>(4)</sup>	Protection Status in China <sup>(5)</sup>	China Red Data Book <sup>(6)</sup>	IUCN Red List (Version 2013.1) <sup>(7)</sup>
1	Japanese Quail	Coturnix japonica	LC	-	-	Near Threatened
2	Eurasian Bittern <sup>(9)</sup>	Botaurus stellaris	RC	-	-	-
3	Von Schrenck's Bittern <sup>(9)</sup>	Ixobrychus eurhythmus	RC	-	-	-
4	Black-crowned Night Heron <sup>(9)</sup>	Nycticorax nycticorax	(LC)	-	-	-
	Striated Heron <sup>(9)</sup>	Butorides striatus	(LC)	-	-	-
	Chinese Pond Heron <sup>(9)</sup>	Ardeola bacchus	PRC (RC)	-	-	-
	Eastern Cattle Egret <sup>(9)</sup>	Bubulcus coromandus	(LC)	-	-	-
	Great Egret <sup>(9)</sup> Intermediate Egret <sup>(9)</sup>	Ardea modesta Egretta intermedia	PRC (RC) RC	-	-	-
	Little Egret <sup>(9)</sup>	Egretta garzetta	PRC (RC)	-	-	-
	Crested Honey Buzzard <sup>(8)</sup>	Pernis ptilorhyncus	LC	Class II	Vulnerable	-
	Crested Serpent Eagle <sup>(8)</sup>	Spilornis cheela	(LC)	Class II	Vulnerable	-
	Bonelli's Eagle <sup>(8)(9)</sup>	Aquila fasciata	(RC)	Class II	Rare	-
	Crested Goshawk <sup>(8)</sup>	Accipiter trivirgatus	-	Class II	Rare	-
15	Japanese Sparrowhawk <sup>(8)</sup>	Accipiter gularis	-	Class II	-	-
16	Besra <sup>(8)</sup>	Accipiter virgatus	-	Class II	-	-
17	Eastern Marsh Harrier <sup>(8)(9)</sup>	Circus spilonotus	LC	Class II	-	-
18	Black Kite <sup>(8)(9)</sup>	Milvus migrans	(RC)	Class II	-	-
19	White-bellied Sea Eagle <sup>(8)(9)</sup> Eastern Buzzard <sup>(8)(9)</sup>	Haliaeetus leucogaster	(RC)	Class II	-	-
		Buteo japonicus	-	Class II	-	-
	Slaty-legged Crake	Rallina eurizonoides	-	-	-	-
	White-breasted Waterhen <sup>(9)</sup>	Amaurornis phoenicurus	-	-	-	-
	Eurasian Woodcock	Scolopax rusticola	-	-	-	-
	Pintail Snipe <sup>(9)</sup>	Gallinago stenura	-	-	-	-
	Common Snipe <sup>(9)</sup>	Gallinago gallinago	-	-	-	-
	Wood Sandpiper <sup>(9)</sup>	Tringa glareola	LC	-	-	-
	Temminck's Stint <sup>(9)</sup>	Calidris temminckii Stroptopolia orientalis	LC -	-	-	-
28 29	Oriental Turtle Dove Spotted Dove	Streptopelia orientalis	-	-	-	-
	Spotted Dove Common Emerald Dove	Streptopelia chinensis Chalcophaps indica	-	-	- Vulnerable	-
	Greater Coucal	Centropus sinensis	-	Class II	Vulnerable	-
	Chestnut-winged Cuckoo	Clamator coromandus	-	-	-	-
	Plaintive Cuckoo	Cacomantis merulinus	-	-	-	-
	Fork-tailed Drongo Cuckoo	Surniculus lugubris	-	-	-	-
	Large Hawk Cuckoo	Hierococcyx sparverioides	-	-	-	-
	Hodgson's Hawk Cuckoo	Hierococcyx nisicolor	-	-	-	-
	Collared Scops Owl <sup>(8)</sup>	Otus lettia	-	Class II	-	-
38	Brown Fish Owl <sup>(8)</sup>	Ketupa zeylonensis	RC	Class II	-	-
39	Asian Barred Owlet <sup>(8)</sup>	Glaucidium cuculoides	-	Class II	-	-
40	Grey Nightjar	Caprimulgus jotaka	LC	-	-	-
	Savanna Nightjar	Caprimulgus affinis	-	-	-	-
	Silver-backed Needletail	Hirundapus cochinchinensis	-	Class II	-	-
	Pacific Swift	Apus pacificus	(LC)	-	-	-
	House Swift	Apus nipalensis	-	-	-	-
	Oriental Dollarbird	Eurystomus orientalis	-	-	-	-
	White-throated Kingfisher <sup>(9)</sup>	Halcyon smyrnensis	(LC)	-	-	-
	Black-capped Kingfisher <sup>(9)</sup>	Halcyon pileata	(LC)	-	-	-
	Common Kingfisher <sup>(9)</sup> Great Barbet	Alcedo atthis Megalaima virens	-	-	-	-
		Picumnus innominatus	-	-	-	-
	Speckled Piculet Common Kestrel <sup>(8)</sup>	Falco tinnunculus	LC -	- Class II	-	-
	Amur Falcon	Falco amurensis	-	Class II		-
	Eurasian Hobby <sup>(8)</sup>	Falco subbuteo	(LC)	Class II	-	-
	Black-winged Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina melaschistos	-	-	-	-
	Swinhoe's Minivet	Pericrocotus cantonensis	LC	-	-	-
56	Ashy Minivet	Pericrocotus divaricatus	-	-	-	-
57	Grey-chinned Minivet	Pericrocotus solaris	LC	-	-	-
	Scarlet Minivet	Pericrocotus speciosus	-	-	-	-
	Bull-headed Shrike	Lanius bucephalus	-	-	Rare	-
	Brown Shrike	Lanius cristatus	-	-	-	-
	Long-tailed Shrike	Lanius schach	-	-	-	-
	White-bellied Erpornis	Erpornis zantholeuca	LC	-	-	-
	Black-naped Oriole	Oriolus chinensis	LC	-	-	-
	Hair-crested Drongo	Dicrurus hottentottus	-	-	-	-
	Black-naped Monarch	Hypothymis azurea	-	-	-	-
	Asian Paradise Flycatcher	Terpsiphone paradisi	LC	-	-	-
	Japanese Paradise-Flycatcher	Terpsiphone atrocaudata	LC	-	-	Near Threatened
	Red-billed Blue Magpie	Urocissa erythrorhyncha	-	-	-	-
	Grey Treepie	Dendrocitta formosae	LC	-	-	-
	Collared Crow	Corvus torquatus	LC -	-	-	Near Threatened
71 72	Large-billed Crow Cinereous Tit	Corvus macrorhynchos Parus cinereus	-	-	-	-
	Yellow-cheeked Tit	Parus spilonotus	-	-	-	-
73	Eurasian Skylark	Alauda arvensis		-	-	-
	Red-whiskered Bulbul	Pycnonotus jocosus	-	-		-
	Chinese Bulbul	Pycnonotus sinensis	-	-	-	-
	Mountain Bulbul	Ixos mcclellandii	-	-	-	-
	Chestnut Bulbul	Hemixos castanonotus	-	-	-	-
	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	-	-	-	-
	Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica	-	-	-	-
	Pygmy Wren-babbler	Pnoepyga pusilla	-	-	-	-
	Mexantelia Tellevisial	Phyllergates cucullatus	-	-	-	-
	Mountain Tailorbird	i ilynolgatoo ododnatdo				
82	Japanese Bush Warbler	Horornis diphone	-	-	-	-

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85	Brown-flanked Bush Warbler	Horornis fortipes		-	-	-
-	Asian Stubtail	Urosphena squameiceps	-	-	-	-
87	Dusky Warbler	Phylloscopus fuscatus	-	-	-	-
	Radde's Warbler	Phylloscopus schwarzi	-	-	-	-
	Chinese Leaf Warbler Pallas's Leaf Warbler	Phylloscopus yunnanensis Phylloscopus proregulus	-	-	-	-
90 91	Yellow-browed Warbler	Phylloscopus inornatus	-	-	-	-
	Arctic Warbler	Phylloscopus borealis	-	-	-	-
	Two-barred Warbler	Phylloscopus plumbeitarsus	-	-	-	-
94	Pale-legged Leaf Warbler	Phylloscopus tenellipes	-	-	-	-
	Eastern Crowned Warbler	Phylloscopus coronatus	-	-	-	-
-	Goodson's Leaf Warbler	Phylloscopus goodsoni	LC	-	-	-
	Martens's Warbler	Seicercus omeiensis		-		
	Black-browed Reed Warbler Manchurian Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus bistrigiceps Acrocephalus tangorum	-	-	-	- Vulnerable
-	Russet Bush Warbler	Locustella mandelli		-	-	-
	Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler	Locustella certhiola	LC	-	-	-
	Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis	LC	-	-	-
103	Plain Prinia	Prinia inornata	-	-	-	-
-	Common Tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius	-	-	-	-
	Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler	Pomatorhinus ruficollis	-	-	-	-
	Rufous-capped Babbler	Stachyris ruficeps	LC	-	-	-
	Chinese Hwamei Masked Laughingthrush	Garrulax canorus	-	-	-	-
	Masked Laughingthrush Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush	Garrulax perspicillatus Garrulax pectoralis	-	-	-	-
	Black-throated Laughingthrush	Garrulax pectoralis Garrulax chinensis	-	-	-	-
	Blue-winged Minla	Minla cyanouroptera	-	-	-	-
	Chesnut-collared Yuhina	Yuhina castaniceps	(LC)	-	-	-
	Chestnut-flanked White-eye	Zosterops erythropleurus	-	-	-	-
	Japanese White-eye	Zosterops japonicus	-	-	-	-
115	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	Sitta frontalis	-	-	-	-
	Common Myna	Acridotheres tristis	-	-	-	-
	Red-billed Starling <sup>(9)</sup>	Spodiopsar sericeus	RC	-	-	-
	Black-collared Starling	Gracupica nigricollis	-	-	-	-
	Orange-headed Thrush	Geokichla citrina	LC	-	-	-
	Siberian Thrush	Geokichla sibirica	-	-	-	-
	White's Thrush Grey-backed Thrush	Zoothera aurea Turdus hortulorum	-	-	-	-
	Japanese Thrush	Turdus cardis	-	-	-	-
	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	-	-	-	-
	Eyebrowed Thrush	Turdus obscurus	-	-	-	-
	Pale Thrush	Turdus pallidus	-	-	-	-
127	Brown-headed Thrush	Turdus chrysolaus	LC	-	-	-
	Dusky Thrush	Turdus eunomus	LC	-	-	-
	Oriental Magpie Robin	Copsychus saularis	-	-	-	-
	Grey-streaked Flycatcher	Muscicapa griseisticta	-	-	-	-
	Dark-sided Flycatcher	Muscicapa sibirica	-	-	-	-
	Asian Brown Flycatcher Ferruginous Flycatcher	Muscicapa latirostris Muscicapa ferruginea	PRC	-	-	-
	Hainan Blue Flycatcher	Cyornis hainanus	-	-	-	-
	Fujian Niltava	Niltava davidi	-	-	-	-
136	Blue-and-white Flycatcher	Cyanoptila cyanomelana	-	-	-	-
137	Verditer Flycatcher	Eumyias thalassinus	-	-	-	-
	Lesser Shortwing	Brachypteryx leucophris	LC	-	-	-
	Siberian Blue Robin	Luscinia cyane	LC	-	-	-
	Rufous-tailed Robin	Luscinia sibilans	-	-	-	-
	Siberian Rubythroat White-tailed Robin	Luscinia calliope Myiomela leucura	-	-	-	-
	Red-flanked Bluetail	Tarsiger cyanurus	-	-	-	-
	Blue Whistling Thrush	Myophonus caeruleus	-	-	-	-
	Yellow-rumped Flycatcher	Ficedula zanthopygia	-	-	-	-
146	Narcissus Flycatcher	Ficedula narcissina	-	-	-	-
	Mugimaki Flycatcher	Ficedula mugimaki	-	-	-	-
	Red-throated Flycatcher	Ficedula albicilla	-	-	-	-
	Daurian Redstart	Phoenicurus auroreus	-	-	-	-
	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius	-	-	-	-
	Stejneger's Stonechat	Saxicola stejnegeri	-	-	-	-
	Grey Bush Chat Orange-bellied Leafbird	Saxicola ferreus Chloropsis hardwickii	LC LC	-	-	-
	Fire-breasted Flowerpecker	Dicaeum ignipectus	-	-	-	-
	Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum cruentatum	-	-	-	-
	Fork-tailed Sunbird	Aethopyga christinae	-	-	-	-
	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus	-	-	-	-
158	White-rumped Munia	Lonchura striata	-	-	-	=
	Scaly-breasted Munia	Lonchura punctulata	-	-	-	-
	Forest Wagtail	Dendronanthus indicus	-	-	-	-
	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla tschutschensis	-	-	-	-
	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea	-	-	-	-
	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba	-	-	-	-
	Richard's Pipit	Anthus richardi	-	-	-	-
	Olive-backed Pipit Pechora Pipit	Anthus hodgsoni Anthus gustavi	LC	-	-	-
	Brambling	Fringilla montifringilla	-	-	-	-
	Chinese Grosbeak	Eophona migratoria	LC	-	-	-
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169	Tristram's Bunting	Emberiza tristrami	-	-	-	-
170	Chestnut-eared Bunting	Emberiza fucata	LC	-	-	-
171	Little Bunting	Emberiza pusilla	-	-	-	-
172	Yellow-browed Bunting	Emberiza chrysophrys	-	-	-	-
173	Yellow-breasted Bunting	Emberiza aureola	RC	-	-	Endangered
174	Chestnut Bunting	Emberiza rutila	-	-	-	-
175	Black-faced Bunting	Emberiza spodocephala	-	-	-	-

#### Note:

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 (5) List of Wild Animals Under State Protection (promulgated by State Forestry Administration and Ministry of Agriculture on 14 January, 1989).
 [國家重點保護野生動物名錄(1989年1月14日林業局及農業部發佈施行)]
 (6) Zheng, G. M. and Wang, Q. S. (1998).
 (7) IUCN (2013). IUCN Red List of Threatened Species. Version 2013.1
 (8) Protection under Protection of Endpanyous Concerns of Animola and Plonte Ordinance (Cap. 5%).

(8) Protected under Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586)
 (9) Wetland-dependent species (including wetland-dependent species and waterbirds)

Species of conservation interest is in bold type face