Management and Protection of Saiga Antelope in China From 2010 to 2015

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Meeting and Talking

September 2010
- Workshop of protection and sustainable utilize of Saiga Antelope
- CMS secretariat/ CITES secretariat/ CITES MA of China/Association of TCM/ China Wildlife Conservation Association /representative from Russia/ Kazakhstan/ Mongolia/ Uzbekistan etc

June 2011
- Workshop on the establishment of mechanism of International Cooperation of protection and utilize of Saiga Antelope
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2012
- Bilateral talk between China and Mongolia About the in-site protection of Saiga
July 2013
- Visit Ukraine and Bilateral talk about the mechanism of introduction of Saiga from Ukraine to China and in-site protection of Saiga in Ukraine

January 2014
- Meeting of Project of Introduction of Saiga Antelope
- State Forestry Administration/General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine/CITE MA of China/Ministry of Industry and Informatization/5 BIGGEST state-owned enterprise of TCM/ Association of TCM

2015
- Fund of the captive breeding and protection of Sagia antelope.
Introduction and Population

- **1988-1991**: 16 from the Zoo of USA and Germany and 11 survival
- **1997**: 1 survival from Russian

### Population Growth

- **2005**: 50
- **2011**: 105
- **2013**: 150
- **2015**: 170
Technology

- The X-Ray devices and container scanners in almost all ports.
- The risk assessment techniques to identify the targeted shipments.
- Inspections to international passengers, cargos, luggage, parcels and transportation tools have been enhanced.
- New inspect techniques and methods: remote identification and supervised classification.

Activities

- Operation “Alarm Bell” was carried out by State Forestry administration of China in 2014.
- Operation “Skynet” and “Swords” were carried out by the Forestry Police.
- Operation “Cobra III” were carried out by China and 64 other countries in May 2015.
### Law enforcement and Seizures

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Seizures of China in 2014 (Source from the report to the questionnaire to CITES secretariat)

- Declined
  - Pieces
  - Big Cases
  - Illegal trade in the market
For International Trade

- State Internet Information Office held a meeting on June 16, 2015 to request all local Internet Information Office and main internet operator to stop illegal online trade of endanger species and its product, cease to public any information, ensure close monitoring of illegal online trade and report to the law enforcement agent timely.
- Leading International companies signed a Zero Tolerance pledge towards illicit trade in wildlife and their products.

For Mails and Express

- The State Postal Administration issued a Notification on July 8, 2015 to include the wildlife protection in key list of safety supervision and inspection of mails and express, in order to enhance the supervise of smuggling of endanger species and its products in the mails and express.
- Seventeen leading courier companies, including both leading national and multinational companies with outlets signed a Zero Tolerance pledge towards illicit trade in wildlife and their products. These companies account for over 95% market share in China.
Management and Supervision

Strengthen supervision of manufacturers

Comprehensive inspecting and cleaning for the principal qualifications of manufacturers

• Legitimate business license
• Permit of business use of terrestrial wildlife and its products

Resolutely banned the ones did not meet the regulatory requirements
Strengthen supervision on the raw material

- **Standardized encapsulation and registration for legal materials**
  - Selecting standard container accordance with the regulatory object
  - Each package has a separate code, and be kept by special person at designated locations

- **Macro-controls, limits quota and varieties use for the limited resources**
  - Any use of resource will be approved by the government after expert assessment organized
  - Directional use of limited resources, such as: specified Protected Chinese Medicines
  - Rationally set annual usage plan, according to the reserves of raw material and the situation of obtainable supplement
Management and Supervision

Strengthen supervision of the terminal market

• Products enter the circulation after pasted with *special mark*
  • Marking the smallest retail unit
  • The use quantity of special mark is determined by the resources invested, formulations and the content number of a package
  • Its characteristics was significantly, to facilitate public recognition, and to ease regulatory and law enforcement
Strengthen supervision on other aspects

- Established *China Endangered Wildlife materials management database* by authorized, unified management information;
  - Variety and quantity/Resource allocations/Resource tracking
  - Three classes users (managers, owners, maintainer), mutual supervision, either party has no the right to privately change.
  - Illicit origin could not be included in the system, there is no possibility of "whiten"

- Provide internet public query and convenience for management, supervision and law enforcement

- Regular / irregular supervision and inspection, and urge enterprises to consciously law-abiding operators
Problems and Next

For the Population of Wuwei, Xinjiang

- Captive breeding from zoo
- Inbreeding

- Severe population degradation
- Supplement of new population
- Prepared
- The fund
- The Place
- Waiting
- Source
Further enhance the law enforcement
- New Technology and more intelligence
- Activities and cooperation between range countries and consumer countries

Strict the management of the trade
- The new identification of horn of Saiga will come into use with new functions of two-dimensional code and network lookup will be come into use. The officers can check the detail of the horn products in the internet timely.
- More supervision and inspection of the market
Introduce of the population
- further discussion and communication with the distribution countries about the mechanism of introduction of population and in-site conservation
- Welcome any visit and survey to the companies of TCM in China from the distribution countries

Reconsider the ban of the export from the Range Countries
- The horn from the population die from disease
- Chinese Companies of TCM would like to provide extra fund of protection of the saiga
Thank you for your attention!