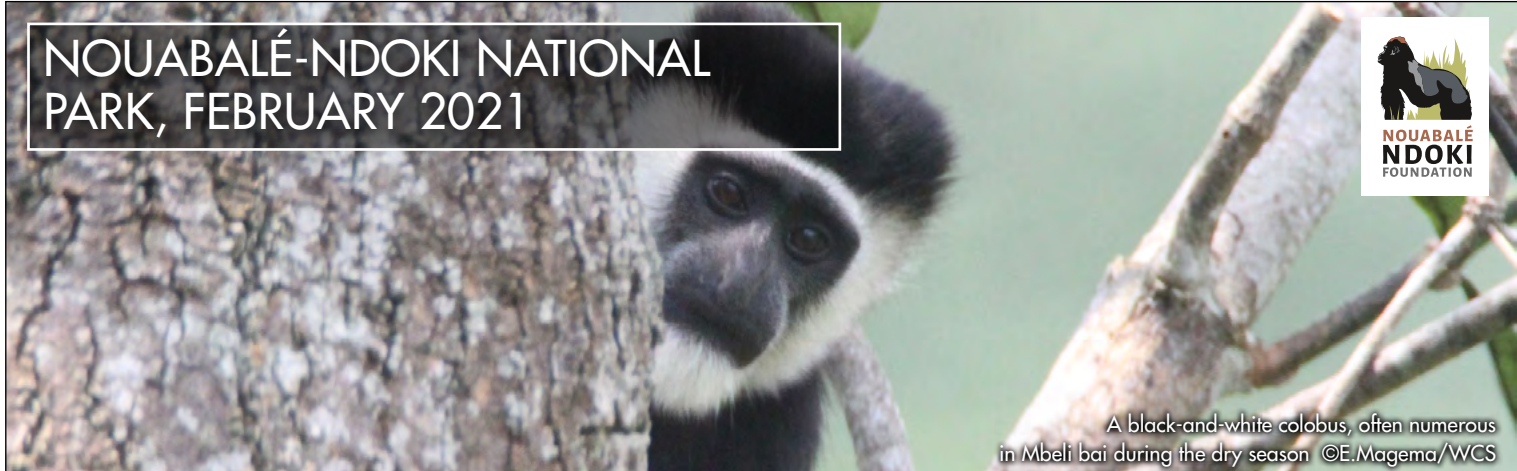


# NOUBALÉ-NDOKI NATIONAL PARK, FEBRUARY 2021



A black-and-white colobus, often numerous in Mbeli bai during the dry season ©E.Magama/WCS

## SUMMARY

- The 13th session of the Advisory Board of the Nouabalé-Ndoki Foundation was held, confirming the annual work plan for 2021, as well as the choice of Ben Evans as new Park Director following his submission as candidate.
- A ceremony was held in Bomassa village to officially launch construction of Bomassa primary school, a projet funded and managed by the Fondation Tri-National de la Sangha. The event was attended by the Prefet of the Sangha, the Director General of ACFAP, the Sous-Prefette of Kabo district and the Sangha Director of Education.
- In Ouesso, two meetings concerning the Sangha Tri-National World Heritage site were held - the Bi-national Planning and execution meeting, and the atelier de cadrage meeting, facilitated by FTNS to ensure proper exchange of knowledge between protected areas.

## CONSERVATION AND BIODIVERSITY

### NNNP arrests:



\* in red, suspects transferred to local courts

### Hunting camp monitoring:

**22** camps visited **19** camps destroyed

### Seizures:

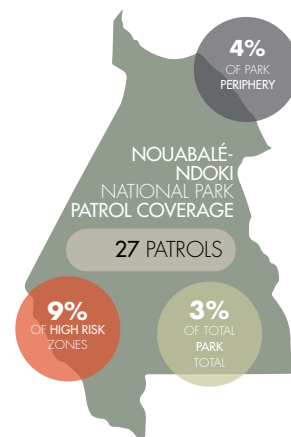
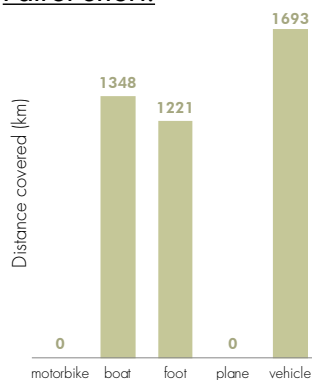


### Illegally killed elephants:



\* red indicates carcasses found within the park boundaries.

### Patrol effort:



**Operations & Information Fusion Centre:** The first refresher session for ecoguards, in collaboration with the PROGEPP-Kabo teams and the Lac Tele Community Reserve, was prepared this month.

600 PANGOLIN SCALES AND 24KG OF GORILLA MEAT WERE SEIZED FROM POACHERS' CAMPS IN THE NORTH OF THE PARK

## PHOTO OF THE MONTH



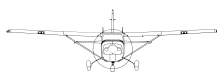
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Fabrice and Prospere, 18 months old, from the Metetele group, playing together.

## INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION

- Renovations were carried out on the trackers' house in Mondika
- Completion of maintenance work on the BMS- DJK and BMS-NDK roads
- The foundation stone of the primary school in Bomassa was laid

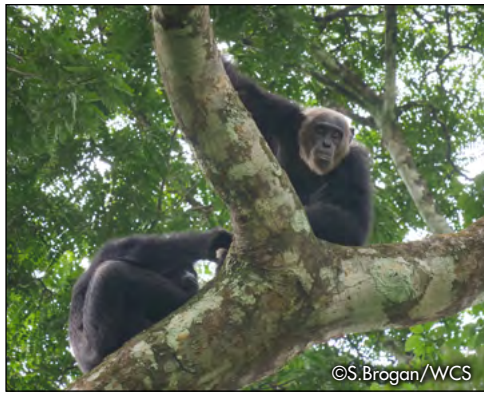
## AVIATION PROGRAM



Surveillance flights: 0  
Logistics flights: 0

Maintenance work was carried out on the Kabo airstrip to ready it for inspection.





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Delousing session for Goulougo, Mark and Finn's chimpanzees.



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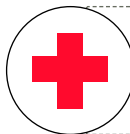
Repair of PROGEPP Kabo's damaged vehicle by the park mechanics.



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Kale inspects a *Tetrapleura tetraptera* fruit.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



The Bomassa health centre received 128 patients, while the Makao health centre received 36.

78  86   
\* including 25 indigenous



Awareness-raising meeting was held on the importance of safeguarding indigenous culture

7  6   
\* including 12 indigenous



Raising awareness among women in Kabo about the importance of vaccinating their children

18  0   
\* including 3 indigenous

- The Makao community pharmacy project was validated by the village development project committee. The project will provide the Makao community with quality primary health care by making products available to them at reasonable prices.
- Meetings with different departments of the Park Management Unit were held to discuss new strategies of the Community Development Department, particularly in its collaboration with the development of tourism.

## RESEARCH AND MONITORING

### Elephant Listening Project (ELP):

L'équipe ELP est sortie de forêt, lui permettant de faire l'inventaire du matériel et de discuter des résultats de la mission avec Peter Wrege, le Directeur du projet au sein de l'Université de Cornell.

### Wildlife Health Program (WHP):

L'équipe WHP, en collaboration avec les autorités de santé, prépare une formation pour l'infirmière en poste à Bomassa afin qu'elle apprenne à réaliser des tests COVID-19 pour nos équipes avant d'entrer dans le Parc.

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**Mondika:** The Metetele group has a new arrival! The female AF6, not yet used to the presence of humans and therefore very shy, was seen with a one month old baby.



**Mbeli Bai Study:** During this dry season, visits from elephants and situngas to the Bai have been rare, but visits from small monkeys such as guéréza colobus are increasingly common.



**Goulougo Triangle Ape Project:** The unknown gorilla seen in the vicinity of Loya's group could be observed more closely, it is a juvenile female with an injury to her right arm.

## VISITORS

A total of 30 visitors have been welcomed (21 colleagues, 5 collaborators and 4 vip or donors).  
Number of nights:  
143 in Bomassa



## TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

A workshop was held to finalise proposals for the community tourism campsite. The site was given a name – Camp Ngolio. «Ngolio», meaning «eagle» in a local dialect, was the historic name of the fishing camp that was the origin of Bomassa village.

## MEDIA

A record total of 7 news reports on the Park's activities were broadcasted on national television stations this month.

