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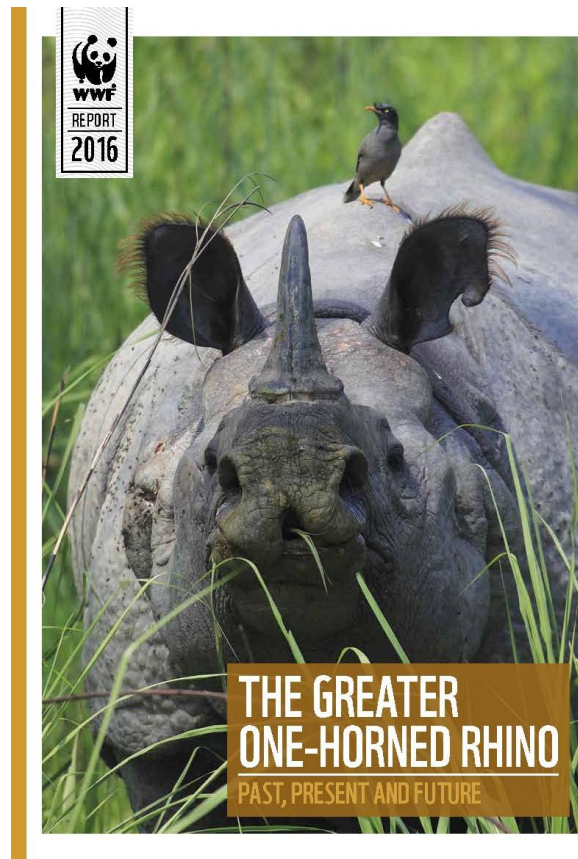
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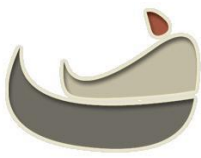
RHINO REPORT LAUNCHED IN ASSAM AND NEPAL

A concise report on the history and conservation of the Greater One-Horned Rhinoceros was produced by WWF staff. It is well worth reading and can be found [here](#).



The Greater One Horned Rhino: Past, Present and Future was officially released in a small function in Guwahati, India by the Hon. Forest Minister of Assam, Mrs Pramila Rani Brahma on 2 January 2017. The program was attended by Sri Paban Barthakur (Principal Secy. Forest Govt of Assam), Sri Bikash Brahma (PCCF & HOFF (I/c)) and the Chief Wildlife Warden Assam. Sri M.C. Malakar Retd, Chief Wildlife Warden Assam along with a host of senior officials of the Assam Forest Department and others. Dr Anupam Sarma and Sri Amit Sharma were present in the program from WWF India.

The report was also released in Nepal in February 2017 during a function celebrating the absence of rhino poaching in Nepal for 1000 days.



FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

IRKA has announced the next *Rhino Keepers Workshop*
Presented by the International Rhino Keepers Association
Hosted by Denver Zoo on 7-11 August 2017.

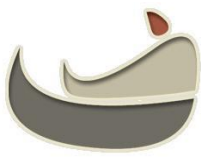


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VISIT TO RHINOS IN THE MIST IN CHITWAN, NEPAL

Two times before I had tried to reach Chitwan from Kathmandu, the capital of Nepal, unsuccessful due to adverse weather. Third time lucky, I reached and was able to see a dozen rhinos from a jeep, a boat and an elephant. It will always be a fantastic experience to see a rhinoceros in the wild. In the morning mist which hangs over the park in the mornings this time of the year, they look superbly prehistoric, yet at ease in this modern day. I enjoyed my days in the jungle thanks to expert naturalist guides at the Meghali Serai (Taj) and the other staff at the camp. By chance we saw a fight between a male and a female who had a calf, almost disturbingly fierce and accompanied by shrieks and bellows which can only be heard on such occasions. Both animals stood their ground, but the tension was released after a few minutes of aggressive behaviour.

Kees Rookmaaker



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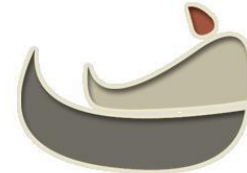
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-  Conservation of rhinos both *in-situ* and *ex-situ*
-  Latest information supply of all rhino-related projects
-  Information on all the latest conservation efforts
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-  Authors of books, papers and reports can send us a copy after publication.
-  We are always looking for images of all rhinos in books and in the wild
-  We aim to include a picture of every rhino ever kept in captivity
-  Contribute a message to our blog and get into contact with others
-  Place a link on your website to the RRC which will be reciprocated
-  Give us a DONATION when you feel the RRC has helped your work.



NEW LITERATURE (finalized 27 February 2017)

In this quarter (December 2016 to February 2017), we have added 110 new references, to bring the total number of items in the database to **20,920**.

Of these, 20,600 or 98.8 percent are available as PDF and searchable.

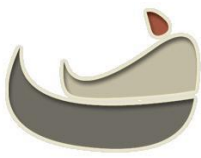
Below I have listed new entries published in the 21st century in four categories: General (all species), African rhinos, Asian rhinos and Fossil rhinos.

**This quarter saw the publication of some pivotal papers and reports,
all well worth the attention for anybody interested in rhinos.
Search for them on the RRC, it's easy.**

Always check the [RRC website](#) first, many papers are available there.

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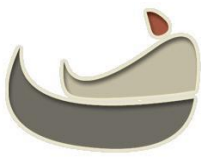


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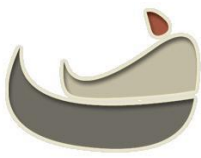
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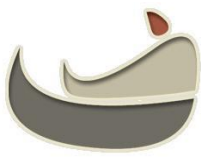
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