

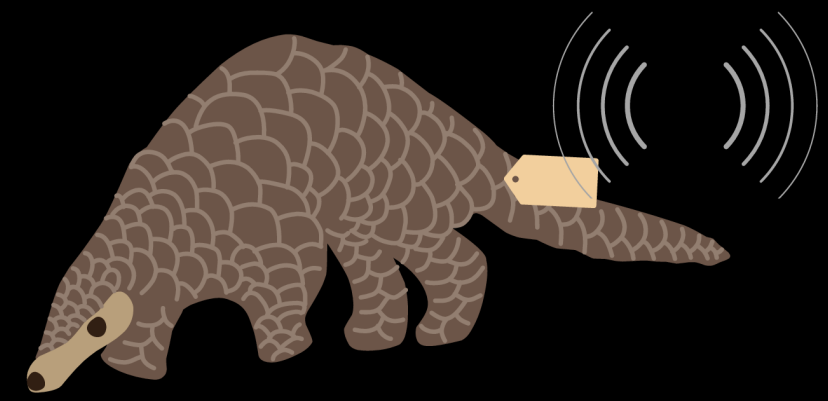


SCALING UP PANGOLIN CONSERVATION IN INDIA



WCT is the only organisation in the sub-continent to carry out radio-telemetry study on the highly endangered Indian pangolin to understand its ecology and help in its long-term conservation and rehabilitation.

INTERVENTIONS

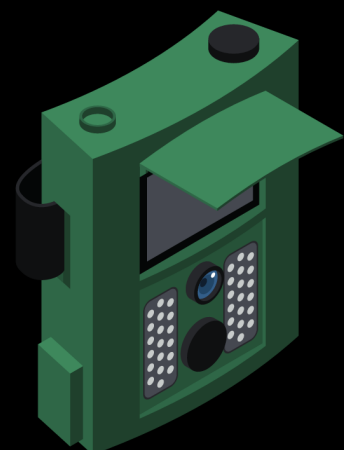


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rescued and wild Indian pangolins, radio-tagged, released, and monitored

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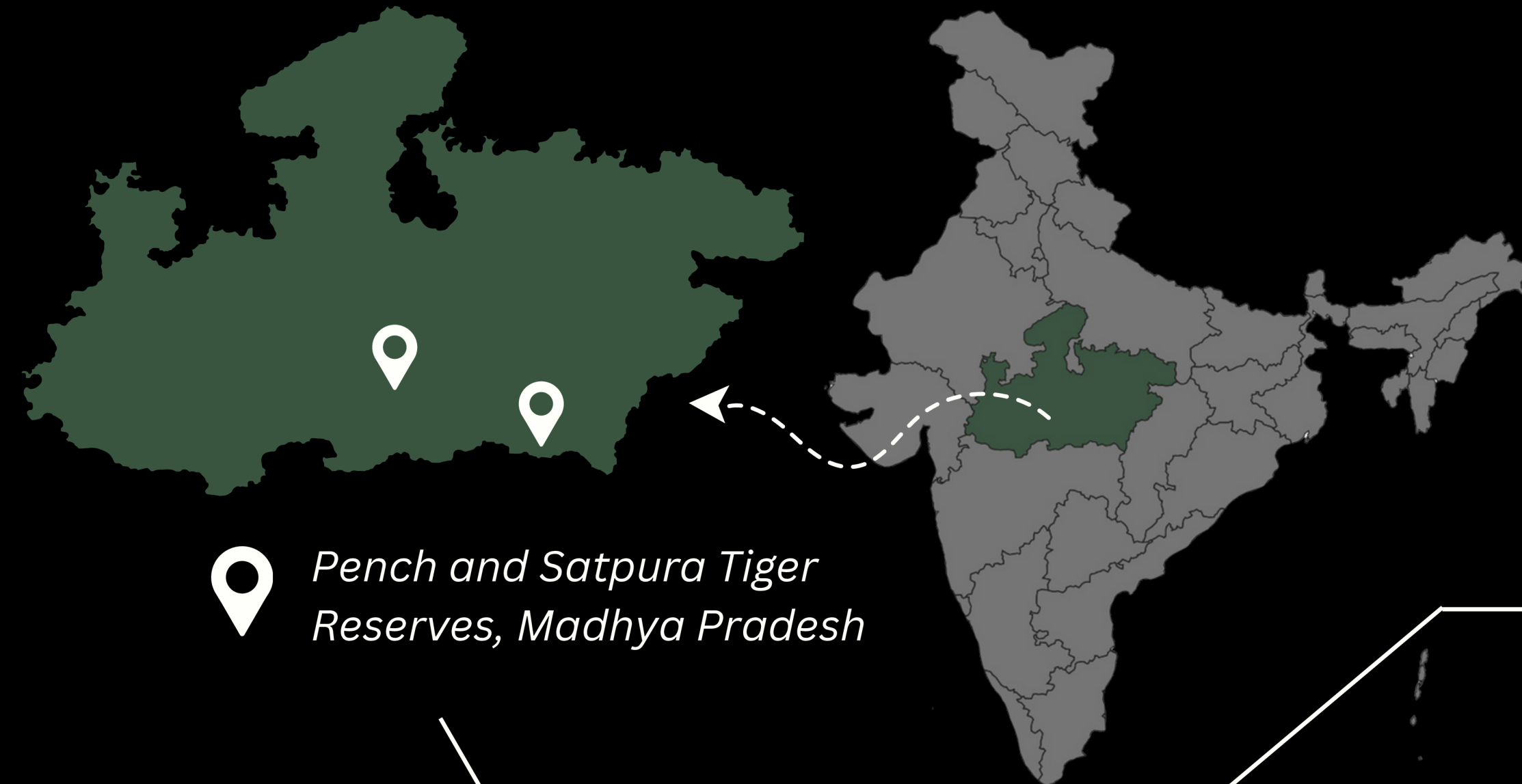
conservation dogs trained to track Indian pangolins



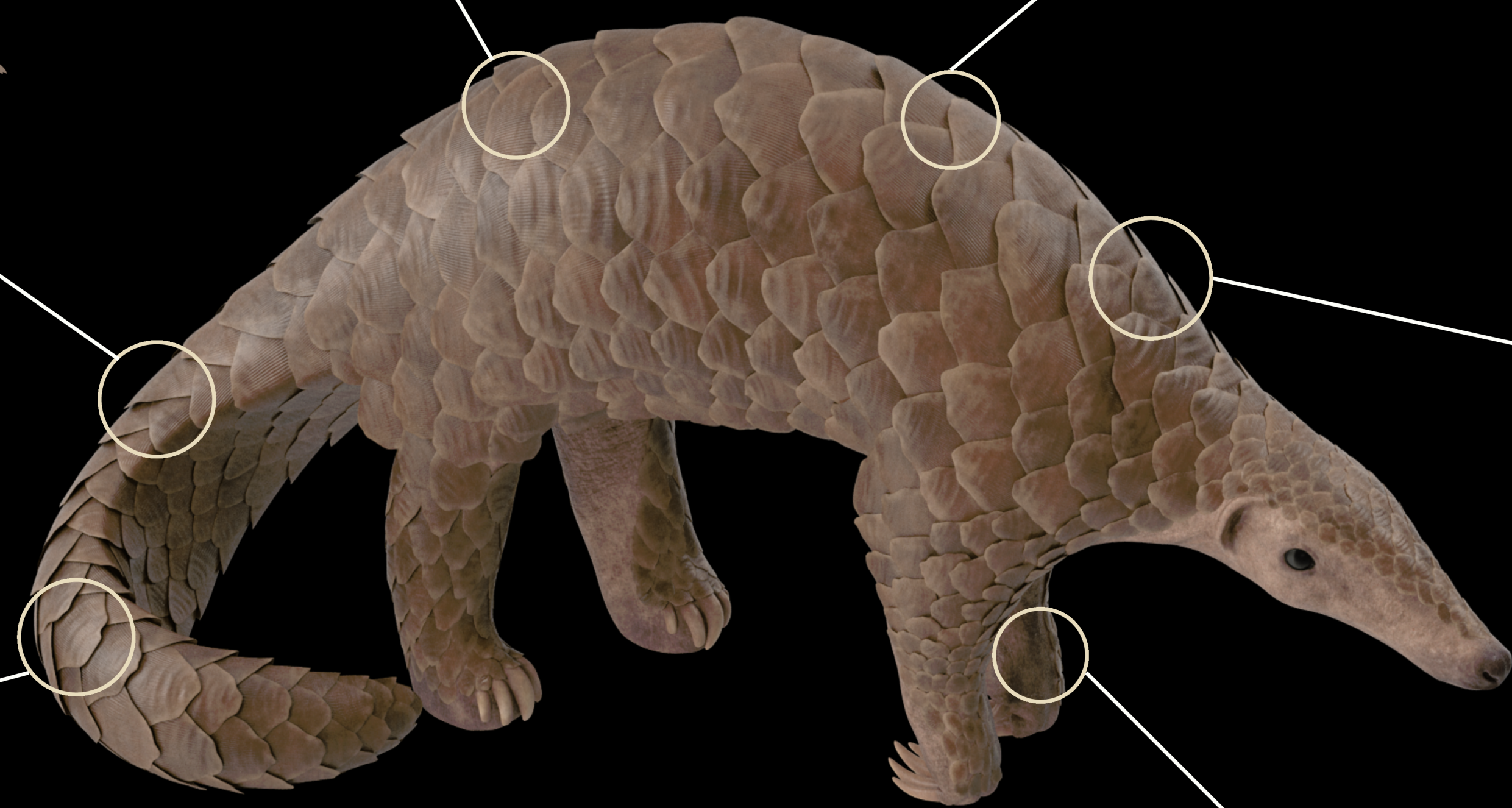
camera traps to monitor pangolin activity in the burrows detected by the conservation dogs



special transportation boxes designed to securely transport rescued/confiscated pangolins

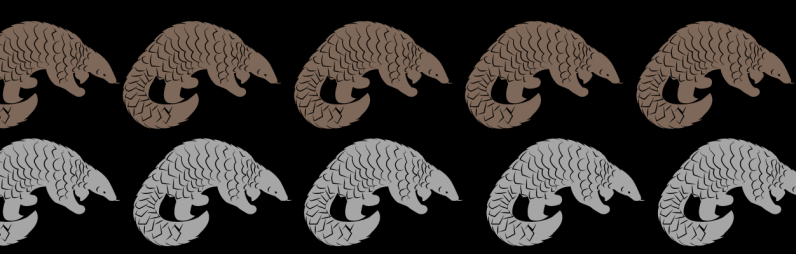


Pench and Satpura Tiger Reserves, Madhya Pradesh



Indian pangolin (*Manis crassicaudata*)

WCT has achieved 100% success rate in rehabilitating radio-tagged pangolins in the wild.



Globally, the death rate among released pangolins is as high as 50%

SCALE OF THREAT

INTERNATIONAL DEMAND FOR SCALES

>1,200

pangolins found to be illegally traded in India between 2018-2022



SUBSISTENCE HUNTING FOR MEAT

≥ 50%

estimated decline in global Indian pangolin population in the next 15-16 years



Only a fraction of the raids are successful. Most illegal consignments elude the attention of enforcement agencies.



There is very little information available on the behaviour and ecology of the Indian pangolin.