

Greetings from Asian Elephant Support. We want to share with you our review of 2010 and our outlook for 2011.

Year 2010 in Review

2010 has been the 'launch' year of our expanded horizons. We began the year providing funding to Vesswic, a nonprofit wildlife veterinarian organization, in order to maintain elephant patrols in Sumatra until more significant, longer term funding was in place. These patrols not only help protect wild Sumatran elephants, but they also help rhinos, orangutans, tigers, and other endangered species.



CRU elephants chase wild elephants out of area of conflict

At the same time, elephants participating in the patrols enjoy the delight of literally eating their way through the jungle. These excursions offer exercise and a varied diet to the jumbos who also visit villages to help residents see and learn about elephants in a light other than as the dangerous crop raider. We have also ordered two portable scales for the veterinarian work in Sumatra with delivery in the spring of 2011. Knowing the weight of an elephant is vital for medicating, establishing proper diets, and as an alert to possible illness.



Setting up the portable scale



Male elephant steps on scale

We helped fund a veterinarian from northern India to attend a career building conference. We sent emergency flood relief funds to the Royal Kraal in Ayutthaya, Thailand (<http://www.elephantstay.com/>) and encouraged our donors and friends to also help.

We facilitated the submission of two grant requests to the United States Fish & Wildlife Service Asian Elephant Conservation Fund, one studying emerging diseases in wild Asian elephants in southern India and the other to support the ongoing veterinary training in elephant health care and conservation. We are delighted that both submissions have been funded.



Herd in degraded and fragmented habitat in summer

We believe that all of our efforts with your support will make a real difference for this magnificent 'other nation' with whom we share....and must make sure we always share....this planet.

Goals for 2011

We are discussing other very worthwhile projects for the coming year. We feel our first year set the tone for the quality of work in which we want to be involved. The economy, as well as our change in focus from support of a single park to more conservation-based projects made 2010 a challenging year in fundraising, and once more we wish to thank those who believed in our Mission with their financial support. Hopefully, all worthwhile nonprofit organizations will find resurgence in backing in 2011.

Self-Assessment

We feel our activities in 2010 confirm our belief that we can fill a niche in the Asian elephant community to assist both wild and captive populations. We believe in the importance of collaboration and teamwork between all interested parties and look forward to helping the Asian elephant make its long and difficult trek into the next century.

Please [contact us](#) for more information, go to our website (www.asianelephantsupport.org), and follow us on [Facebook](#) (Asian Elephant Support, non-profit organization). We look forward to your continued support in 2011 and hope you will share our work with your family and friends.

We wish each of you a healthy happy and fulfilling 2011.

Thank you for your Support!

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