



THE PROBLEM

Poaching for bushmeat is a huge challenge for conservationists in Africa, and the Serengeti National Park is not spared. Wire snares are set by poachers, which ensnare an animal for easy collection later. This type of illegal utilization of wildlife is indiscriminate - although ungulates are the target species, all animals are under threat. Lions, elephants, giraffe, rhino - all can be ensared and either killed or maimed.

HOW IT WORKS?

The programme started in 2017 in an effort to link Tanzania National Parks (TANAPA) with tour operators or local businesses which have a vested interest in the Serengeti National Park, by supporting field teams whose primary role is to remove snares from the Park. Frankfurt Zoological Society's (FZS) role is to provide a conduit for funding and to provide the logistics for managing these teams. There are usually two teams active in the field, with an

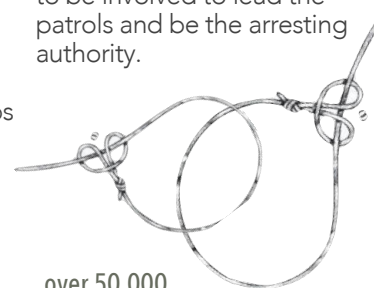
auxiliary team supporting them when needed.

Using funds donated by several willing tour operators and businesses, FZS procures and maintains all vehicles and field equipment, and keeps the teams in the field supplied with fuel, food rations and water. TANAPA fully manages the teams, out of the Serengeti Operations Centre (SOC) in Seronera. All data collected in the field, i.e. number of snares, animals killed or released alive, arrests made by TANAPA rangers, poacher camps detected, are entered into the database in the SOC, with maps produced by the operators for park management.

THE DE-SNARING PROGRAMME PLAYS THE ROLE OF INDICATING A SNARE PROBLEM IN AN AREA. DE-SNARING ALONE WILL NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM, BUT IT DOES REMOVE THOUSANDS OF SNARES FROM THE ECOSYSTEM AND HELPS TANAPA FREE UP STAFF FOR OTHER FIELD WORK, SUCH AS BLACK RHINO PROTECTION.

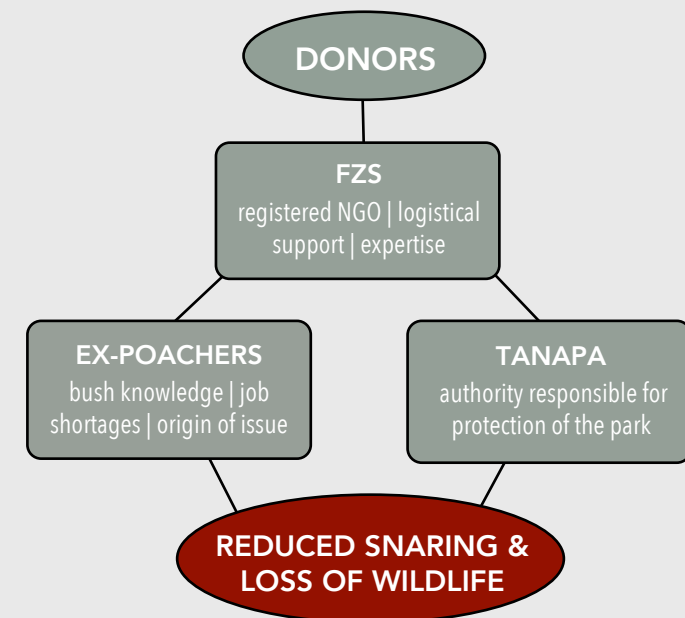
DOES IT WORK?

The programme provides jobs for previously unemployed ex-poachers. A large number of snares are removed and destroyed, thereby eliminating them from the system. Over 600 animals have been released alive from snares as a result of this work. Through this programme extra anti-poaching teams are now active in the park, with only a few TANAPA rangers needing to be involved to lead the patrols and be the arresting authority.

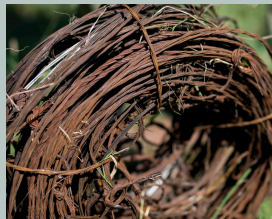


over 50,000 wire snares have been removed from the park by the de-snaring teams since 2017, saving thousands of animals from a slow and painful death

LINKING AGE-OLD BUSH KNOWLEDGE WITH CUTTING EDGE ANTI-POACHING



The combination of vast bush knowledge, well trained TANAPA field rangers, adequate funding, good equipment & logistics results in SUCCESS.





Serengeti De-snaring Programme

a joint initiative



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Lion
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Fund

The de-snaring programme has a dedicated bank account in Tanzania. All funds donated are used to equip and keep the teams active in the field.

Bank: CRDB Bank

Account name: FZS Tanzania Donors Account

Account number: 0250 3011 79701

BIC/SWIFT code: CORUTZTZ

Bank address: Meru Branch, PO Box 3132, Arusha

FZS-US is a 501c (3) organisation. Donations can also be submitted online by visiting <http://www.fzs.org/de-snaring-serengeti>



The **Serengeti De-snaring Programme** is a joint initiative between the Tanzania National Parks, Frankfurt Zoological Society and a group of committed tour and business operators, the SENAPA INVESTORS, working towards reducing the number of snares in the Serengeti National Park. Snares can kill or maim thousands of wild animals each year. TANAPA fully manages the teams, through the Serengeti Operations Centre in Seronera, with technical and logistical support provided by FZS, and financial support provided by the SENAPA INVESTORS and other third-party donors such as the Lion Recovery Fund.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A BETTER
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