

Island Conservation Society

The Desroches Tortoise Breeding programme

The Aldabra Giant Tortoise (*Aldabrachelys gigantea*) is one of the largest tortoises in the world and, as the name suggests, it is native of the Aldabra Atoll in Seychelles. Unfortunately, this species is listed as vulnerable in the IUCN Red List. For this reason, and its important ecological role such as seed dispersal, grazer and soil fertilization it is essential to protect this species. Other population has been established overseas for example nowadays, we can find free-living populations of Aldabra Giant Tortoise on different islands of Seychelles

In Seychelles, to ensure the long-term survival of the species, the Island Conservation Society,



The happy (and wet) team after releasing the 27 tortoises

started a breeding program on Desroches in 2010.

Today, the tortoise nursery hosts 11 hatchlings and 31 juveniles. The hatchlings are kept in a locked nursery to avoid predation by rats, cats, and herons, but also to prevent human theft. Once they reach 1 kg, the tortoises are moved from the hatchling pen into the juvenile enclosure and they are finally released into the wild when they reach 9 kg.

After taking the morphometric data of the juveniles (weight, 3rd dorsal scute, natal scute, carapace, and plastron length), the ICS Desroches team recently discovered that several juveniles were ready to be released. With the help of IDC workers, 27 Gi-

ant Tortoises were transported with a tractor into the wildest part of the island, the Eastside, where the food such as the Indian Mulberry (*Morinda citrifolia*) or as in Creole -Bwatorti and Beach Gardenia (*Guetarda speciosa*) also known in Creole, Bwakasan Bordmer are in abundance. Those individuals are now happily roaming free in the forest!

Nowadays, the population on the island comprises about 160 individuals and, if the forest habitat is enhanced, Desroches could host more than 1,000 tortoises!

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Tortoises are released into the wild



Tortoises are carefully transported to their release sites



Tortoises are removed from the pen and loaded on the trailer

State House

New Thai Ambassador for Seychelles accredited

The Ambassador of the Kingdom of Thailand to the Republic of Seychelles, H.E. Ms. Sasirit Tangulrat presented her credentials to President Wavel Ramkalawan during an accreditation ceremony at State House this week.

President Ramkalawan firstly welcomed Ambassador Tangulrat to Seychelles and congratulated her on being accredited to Seychelles. He also wished her success during her tenure as she takes on the new role. The President expressed hope that through her accreditation today, Seychelles and Thailand will further enhance their already strong bilateral relations. The talks between the Head of State and the newly accredited Ambassador centred on opportunities to further strengthen cooperation in areas such as tourism, public health,

education, fisheries and investment.

On her part, Ambassador Tangulrat reciprocated the need to move the diplomatic ties between Thailand and Seychelles to new heights and highlighted that she will do her utmost in deepening the bilateral relations in areas that are beneficial to both countries.

During her visit to State House, Ambassador Tangulrat also held discussions with the Vice-President, Mr Ahmed Afif.

Seychelles established diplomatic relations with Thailand on 19th July 1988. Ambassador Tan-

gulrat will be based in Nairobi, Kenya.

She was accompanied by the Honorary Consul-designate of the Kingdom of Thailand in Seychelles, Ms. Alexandra Benoiton and Second Secretary in the office of the Ambassador, Mr Navarit Ongkamongkol.

Also present was the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Tourism, Mr Sylvestre Radegonde, the Principal Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Ambassador Vivienne Fock-Tave, and Director General Bilateral Affairs Division, Department of Foreign Affairs, Ms Lindy Ernesta.



H.E. Ms. Sasirit Tangulrat and President Ramkalawan



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