

The Last Great Ape Organization – LAGA

June 2025 Report



Highlights

- **The Deputy Director held a meeting with three officials of the British based Environmental Investigation Agency to discuss wildlife law enforcement in the country and the sub region**
- **The Legal Team held meetings with several State Counsels to follow up cases pending at their various jurisdictions.**
- **A super volunteer joined the Team from Nairobi and shall be undergoing training and mentoring for an extended period.**

General

The Deputy Director held a meeting with three officials of the British based Environmental Investigation Agency to discuss wildlife law enforcement in the country and the sub region as a whole and strengthen the excellent collaboration between the two structures.

The Legal Team held meetings with several State Counsels to follow up cases pending at their various jurisdictions.

No operations were carried out this month and efforts are being made to ensure the situation improves next month.

Investigations

- **15 investigation missions** were carried out in 6 **Regions** out of 10 of Cameroon including the East, Centre, Adamawa, Littoral, South west and South.

Investigations Table

Investigation Missions	Regions	No. of Operations	No of traffickers arrested
15	6	0	0

Operation

No operations were carried out this month, efforts are being made to get better results next month.

Legal

- LAGA Legal Department carried out **5 missions** out of Yaounde - Centre Region: 1 in Djoum (South), 1 in Ambam (South), 1 in Tibati (Adamawa), 1 in Somalomo (East) and 1 Abong-Mbang (East).
- There are **11 traffickers behind bars this month**: 2 in Centre, 3 in Littoral region, and 6 in West region.
- **19 cases** were followed up by the Legal Department this month.
- **4 cases** were scheduled in court this month.
- **No trafficker** was convicted this month.
- **Prosecutions**: There was no court ruling this month.

Legal Table

<i>No of Missions (Out of Centre Region)</i>	<i>No of Court Judgements</i>	<i>No of Traffickers Given Prison Sentence</i>	<i>Prison term (in months)</i>	<i>No of Traffickers Sanctioned (No prison sentence)</i>	<i>No of Appeals lodged</i>	<i>No of trials in Courts</i>
5	0	0	0	0	0	4

Media

- 7 media pieces were produced and pushed to the media including: 3 written press (2 in French and 1 in English) and 4 internet publications (3 in French and 1 in the English language).
- Giving a total of 5 media pieces produced in the French language and 2 in the English language making 71.4% in French and 28.6% in English.
- Interviewee: Deputy Director of LAGA
- Subjects focused on wildlife law enforcement including: the court hearing of 3 traffickers arrested with 91kg of pangolin scales in Ntui.

Media Table

<i>No of media pieces</i>	TV	Radio	Newspapers	Internet
7	0	0	3	4

External Relations and Policy

- The Deputy Director held a meeting with three officials of the British based Environmental Investigation Agency to discuss wildlife law enforcement in the country and the sub region as a whole and strengthen the excellent collaboration between the two structures. He was accompanied during the meeting by Antonia – the super volunteer.
- The Head of the Legal held a meeting with the State Counsel of Tibati before and after an operation.
- A legal adviser held a meeting with the State Counsel in Ambam to discuss legal strategies on matters pending before the court
- He also held a meeting with the State Counsel in Abong Mbang to discuss legal strategies on matters pending before the court.
- Another legal adviser had a meeting with the State Counsel in Djoum to discuss the legal strategies concerning a matter pending before the court.

Management

- Financial and activity reports of May 2025 were prepared and made available online
- A super volunteer was received and shall be hosted for the entire period of her training and mentoring. She was integrated into the team and training and mentoring activities are ongoing.

Finance

In preparation and would be made available soon as possible on the LAGA website www.laga-enforcement.org .

Activism Front

For activism Front please consult our website www.laga-enforcement.org .

Link of the month

Cameroon fact finder, news site, this month published the reappearance of three suspected traffickers in the Ntui Court of First Instance to answer to charges brought against them. They were arrested in September 2023 with 91kg of pangolin scales... [Click the link below](https://cameroonfactfinder.com/suspected-pangolin-scales-trafficker-to-reappear-in-court/) to read the full story:

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The Month in Pictures



Deputy Director held a meeting with EIA officials at LAGA office. In attendance was super volunteer Antonia.