

The Last Great Ape Organization – LAGA

February 2026 Report



Highlights

- **Deputy Director held a meeting with the recently appointed Director of Wildlife and Protected Areas.**
- **A legal adviser had a meeting with the State Counsel of Ntui to discuss legal strategies concerning matters pending before the court.**

General

The Deputy Director and the Legal Department held a meeting with the newly appointed Director of Wildlife and Protected Areas to strengthen collaboration in the fight against wildlife crime. She was also handed a copy of the LAGA 2025 annual report.

A legal adviser had a meeting with the State Counsel of Ntui to discuss legal strategies concerning matters pending before the court.

Investigations

- **4 investigation missions** were carried out in **3 Regions** out of 10 of Cameroon including the East, Littoral and South.

Investigations Table

Investigation Missions	Regions	No. of Operations	No of traffickers arrested
4	3	0	0

Operation

No operations were done within the month and several challenges hampered the smooth function of the organization. This is situation is actively being addressed.

Legal

- LAGA Legal Department carried out **1 mission** out of Yaounde - Centre Region: 1 Ntui (Centre). There are **11 traffickers behind bars this month**: 5 in Centre, and 3 in Littoral region, 3 in East.
- **29 cases** were followed up by the Legal Department this month.
- **10 cases** were scheduled in court this month
- **19 cases** are under preliminary inquiries
- **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>	<i>No of cases with trial judge</i>
1	0	0	0	0	0	17	19

Media

- **Due to the challenges faced by the organization, no media pieces were produced this month and efforts are being made to ensuring an improvement on the situation next month.**

Media Table

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

External Relations and Policy

- The Deputy Director and the Legal Department held a meeting with the newly appointed Director of Wildlife and Protected Areas to strengthen collaboration in the fight against wildlife crime. She was also handed a copy of the LAGA 2025 annual report.
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Management

- The organization has been facing serious challenges during the early months of 2026 and management is taking drastic measures to addressing them. The Director initiated a couple of activities in this regard. We are hoping to get back to normalcy in the upcoming months. Accordingly, the office was briefly shut down for before reopening at the end of the month.

Finance

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