

# People's Knowledge of Illegal Chinese Pangolin Trade Routes in Central Nepal

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Table S1 Questionnaire used to survey 400 households for each Protected and Non-protected area in Central Nepal (Figure 1) between October 2018–April 2019, to understand people's knowledge on illegal trade of Chinese pangolin *Manis pentadactyla*. The study was conducted in Gaurishankar Conservation Area (PA) and Ramechhap district (non-PA) in Central Nepal.

Section I: Demographic and socio-economic background
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gender (Male/Female)</li> <li>2. Age (years)</li> <li>3. Occupation (Agriculture only/Other)</li> <li>4. Education (Literate/Illiterate)</li> <li>5. Religion (Hindu/Buddhist/Christian/Others)</li> <li>6. Family size</li> <li>7. Is the overall family income sufficient to support your livelihood? Yes/No</li> <li>8. Is the income from your agriculture alone can support your livelihood? Yes/No</li> </ol>
Section II: Characteristics of traders/Poachers
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Do you know about the socio-economic status of trades involved in Chinese Pangolin poaching in your area? Yes/No</li> <li>2. If yes, what are the characteristics of traders involved in Chinese pangolin poaching based on <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Gender (Male/Female)</li> <li>b. Age (years)</li> <li>c. Inhabitants types (Indigenous/Immigrants)</li> <li>d. Employment (Employed/Unemployed)</li> <li>e. Education (Literate/Illiterate)</li> <li>f. Wealth (sufficient income for daily livelihood-rich/not sufficient income for daily livelihood-poor)</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. For what purposes do people hunt pangolin in your area? (For food/Money/Both)</li> </ol>
Section III. Chinese pangolin illegal trade routes and price dynamics

1. Do you know the destination for selling Chinese pangolin parts, product and derivatives? (Yes/No)
2. If yes, can you specify us the destination .....  
(China/India/Both/Unknown/Others.....specify)
3. Do you know the illegal trade routes for selling the Chinese pangolin parts, products and derivatives? (Yes/No)
4. If yes, can you specify us the illegal trade routes .....
5. Do you know Chinese pangolin illegal trade has increased or decreased?  
(Decreased/Increased/stable/Unknown)
6. What is the price dynamics of Chinese pangolin scale within the last five years from 2014 to 2018?
  - a. 2014
  - b. 2015
  - c. 2016
  - d. 2017
  - e. 2018