

CONVENTION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN ENDANGERED SPECIES
OF WILD FAUNA AND FLORA



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Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Compliance and enforcement

ENFORCEMENT MATTERS

Pangolins

1. This information document has been prepared by the Secretariat in relation to agenda item 27.1 on *Enforcement matters*.
2. The Annex to the present document presents India's^{*} report in response to Notification to the Parties No. 2013/059 of 18 December 2013 on Pangolins (*Manis.spp*), in the language in which it was received. The report was received by the Secretariat on 7 July 2014 and therefore could not be taken into account in document SC65 Doc. 27.1.

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Dear Mr. Scanlon,

With reference to the 'Notification to Parties No. 2013/059' dated 18th December 2013, I have to inform that on this date in India a total of 1887.315 Kgs of Pangolin scales and 6 Pangolins were seized and all the seizures are reported in the North Eastern Part of India. However, the purpose and source of the seized specimens are not known.

The Asiatic Pangolin (*Manis crassicauda*) is listed in Schedule I of Wild Life Protection Act, 1972 according highest degree of protection and I would like to state that India is committed to conservation and full protection of Pangolins (*Manis* spp.) and have been taking all necessary steps for the conservation of Asiatic Pangolin in India. We would also like to support for up scaling the *Manis* spp. from Appendix-II to Appendix I of CITES.

With best wishes,

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