**Wildlife Reintroduction and Conservation Camp**

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**Abstract**

 For over 40 years, the Eastern Sarus Crane extinct from the natural habitat of Thailand. Until the Zoological Park Organization under the royal patronage of H.M. the King (ZPO) conducted an Eastern Sarus Crane Reintroduction in Thailand Project with alliance organization and had released over a 100 back in to natural wetlands, since 2011 to the present.

 Nakhon Ratchasima Zoo is under the supervision of ZPO, the zoo is successful in captive breeding and research of Eastern Sarus Cranes. Education Department took this opportunity to create a project “Wildlife Reintroduction and Conservation Camp” to send message about the importance of conserving the species and their natural wetland habitat.
The target group of the project is teenagers 16 – 20 years old from all over Thailand. We offer an experience of every important step before releasing the Eastern Sarus Crane in to the natural habitat in Buriram province, Northeastern Thailand. Finally, we need to help the natural resources of Thailand and looking forward to developing awareness activities ongoing.