



# Conservation and Management of Songbirds in Thailand

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**Thailand**



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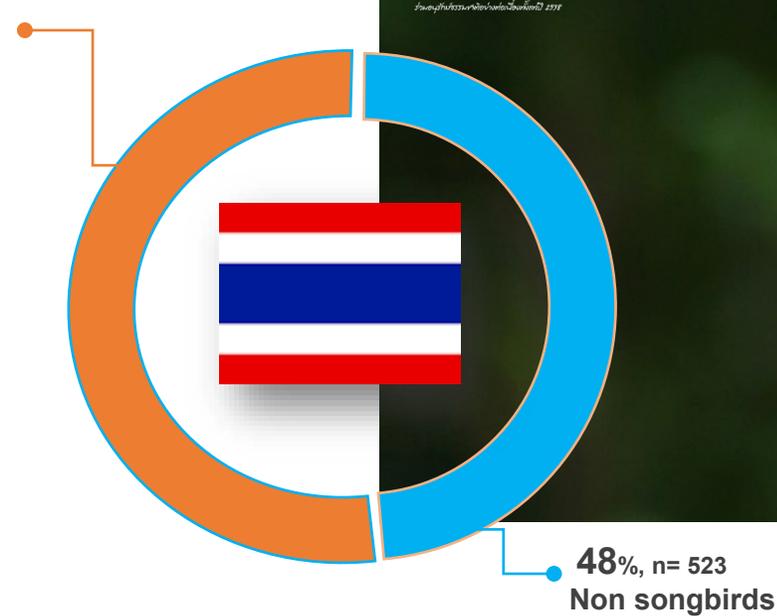
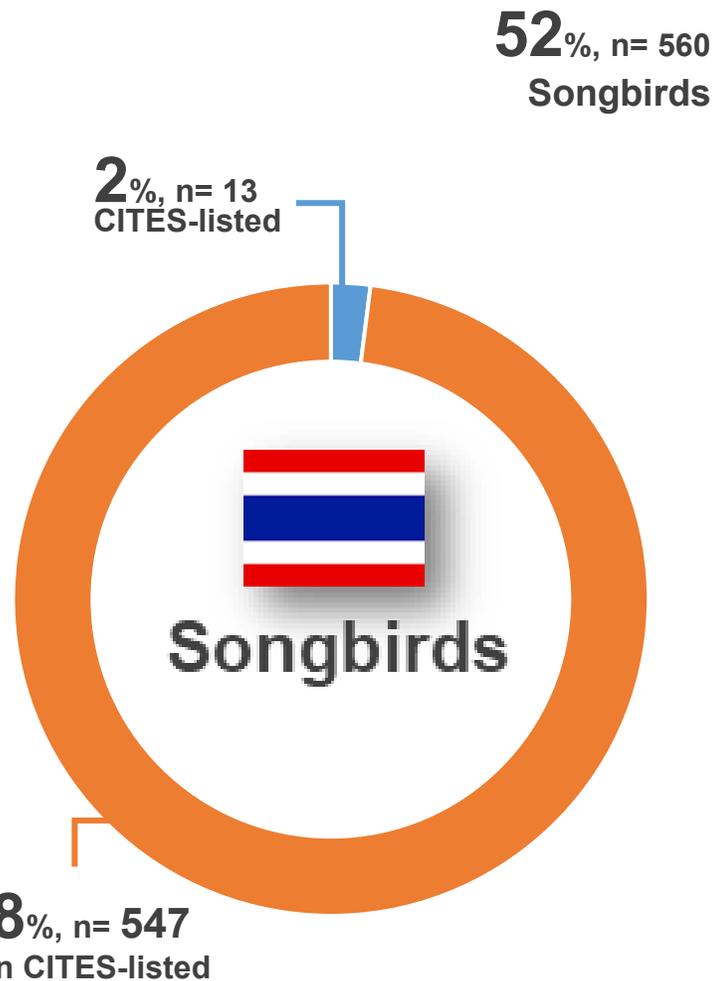


# Birds of Thailand



สัตว์มีค่า  
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กรมอุทยานแห่งชาติ สัตว์ป่า และพันธุ์พืช  
กระทรวงทรัพยากรธรรมชาติและสิ่งแวดล้อม



- 1,083 species of birds in Thailand
- 560 species of Passeriformes
  - 372 species of Resident
  - 228 species under WARPA
- 130 species NT- CR of ONEP2020
- 60 species NT- CR of Birds Life2021

source; [www.bcst.or.th](http://www.bcst.or.th), 2022

# CITES species of songbirds in Thailand



## 2% of CITES sp. list of Songbirds by Thailand Songbirds

NO	Common name	Scientific name	Family	Global Threat Status (BirdLife 2021)	National Threat Status (ONEP 2020)	WARPA (2019)	CITES App.
1	Gurney's Pitta	<i>Hydrornis gurneyi</i>	Pittidae	CR	CR	Reserved	I
2	Straw-headed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus zeylanicus</i>	Pycnonotidae	CR	CR	Protected	I
3	White-eyed River Martin	<i>Pseudochelidon sirintarae</i>	Hirundinidae	CR	CR	Reserved	I
4	Fairy Pitta	<i>Pitta nympha</i>	Pittidae	VU	VU	-	II
5	Banded Pitta	<i>Pitta guajana</i>	Pittidae	NT	NT	Protected	II
6	Silver-eared Mesia	<i>Leiothrix argentauris</i>	Leiothrichidae	-	-	Protected	II
7	Common Hill Myna	<i>Gracula religiosa</i>	Sturnidae	-	NT	Protected*	II
8	White-rumped Shama	<i>Kittacincla malabarica</i>	Muscicapidae	-	NT	Protected*	II
9	Java Sparrow	<i>Padda oryzivora</i>	Estrildidae	EN	EN	-	II
10	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Curruca curruca</i>	Sylviidae	-	-	-	III
11	Bluethroat	<i>Cyanecula svecica</i>	Muscicapidae	-	-	Protected	III
12	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>	Muscicapidae	-	-	Protected	III
13	Common Rosefinch	<i>Erythrina erythrina</i>	Fringillidae	-	-	Protected	III

### WARPA (2019)

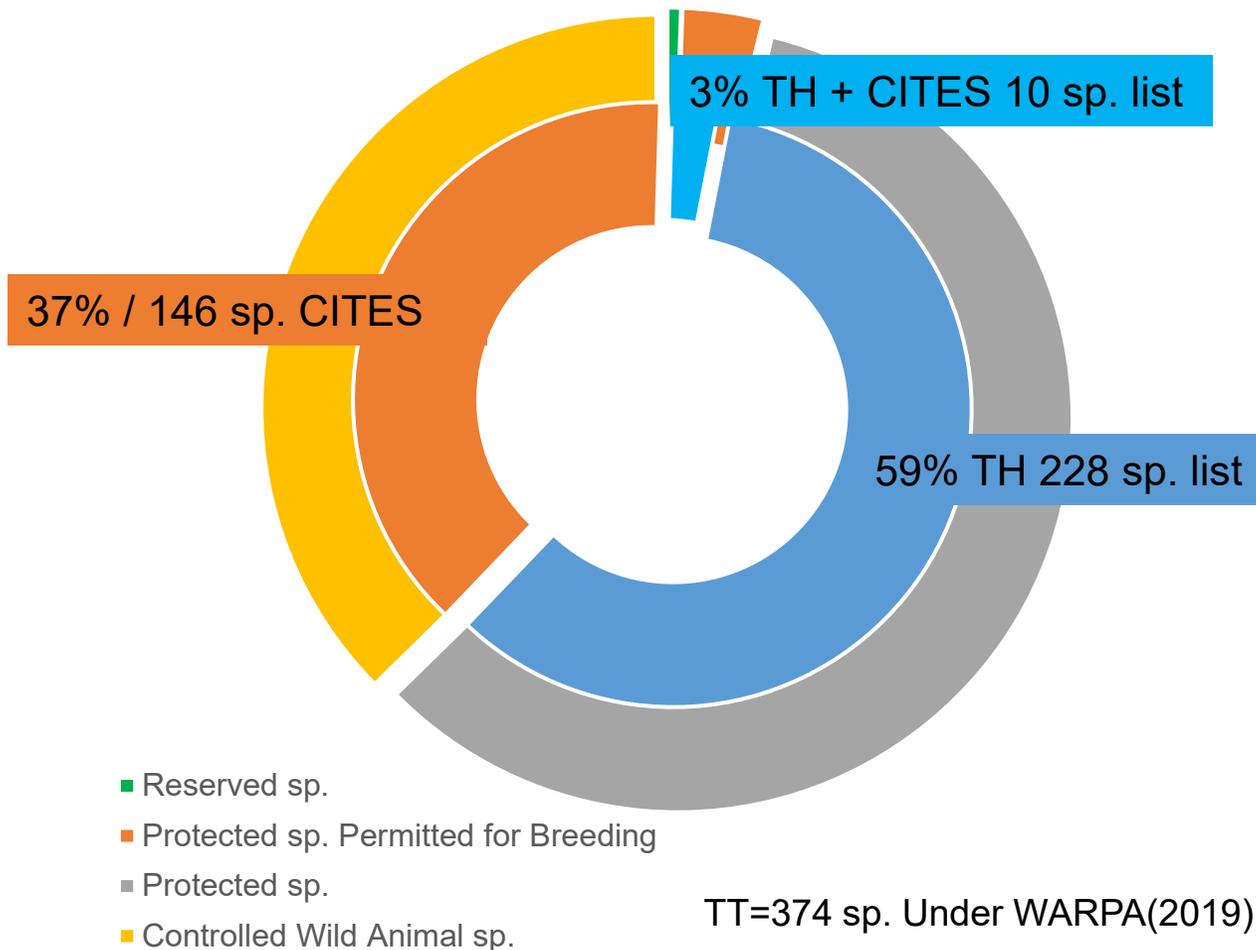
2 species >> Reserved sp.

6 species >> Protected sp.

2 species >> Protected species permitted for breeding



## Songbirds Status under WARPA(2019)



- **228 protected species under WARPA (2019);**
  - **214 species are listed as protected wild animal**
  - **2 species are listed as reserved wild animal**
  - **12 species are listed as breedable protected wild animals**
- **146 species are listed under CITES comprised of**
  - **136 species are 'controlled wild animal'**
  - **10 species are reserved; protected; and breedable protected wild animal**

# Wild Animal Reservation and Protection Act, B.E. 2562 (2019)



- **Passeriformes 146 species** of CITES-listed in Thailand under **WARPA (2019)**;
  - **136 species** listed as controlled wild animal; a permit is needed for the export and import of the specimens in accordance with CITES provisions.
  - **10 species**, including reserved wild animals, protected wild animals, and breedable protected wild animals )
  - Failure to comply or violations against this law are punishable in accordance with related provisions.



# Legal Trade



## ➤ Domestic trade of songbirds

- The flourishing songbird trade in Thailand reflects the strong cultural connection to bird keeping and singing competitions within local communities or regions
- Species involved include breedable protected species and non-protected species.
- The market is particularly popular for species such as Spotted Dove (*Spilopelia chinensis*), Zebra Dove (*Geopelia striata*), and Red-whiskered Bulbul (*Pycnonotus jocosus*)

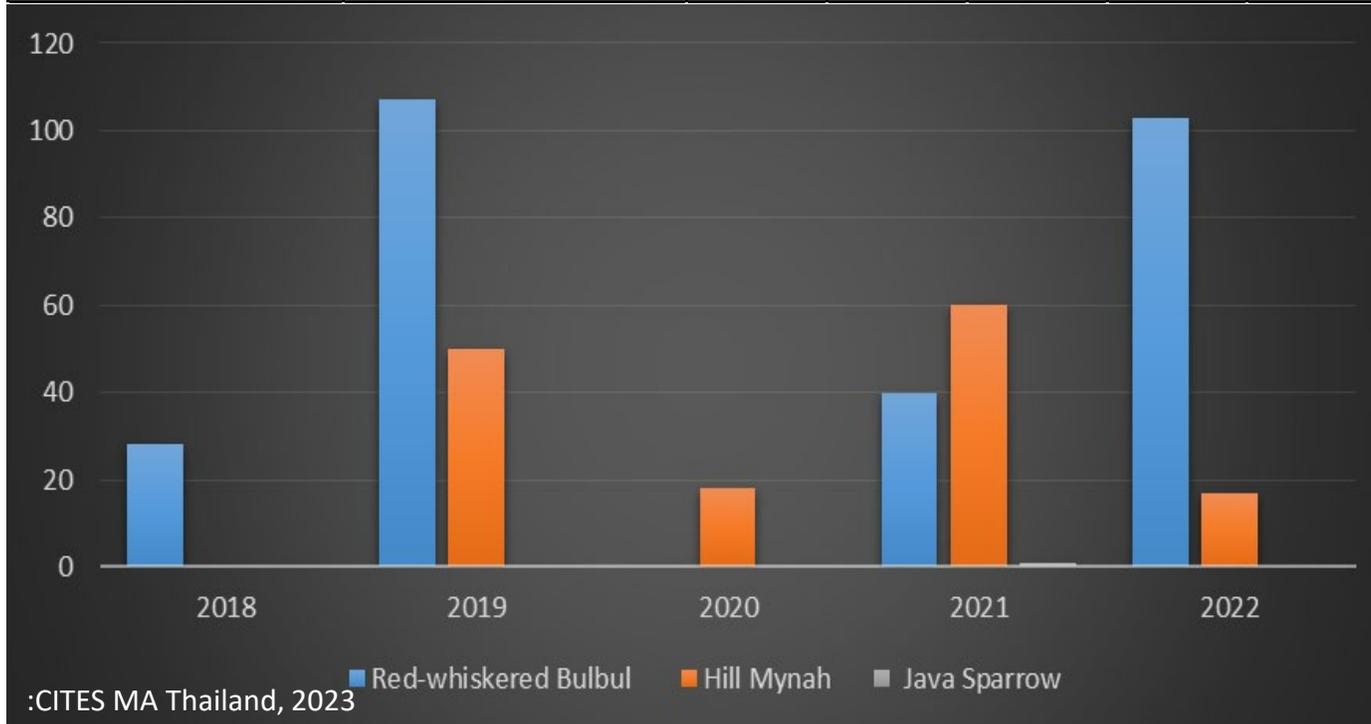


# Legal Trade



## ➤ Export data of live Songbirds for the years 2018 – 2022

Scientific name	Common name	Amount/Years				
		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<i>Pycnonotus jocosus</i>	Red-whiskered Bulbul	28	107	0	40	103
<i>Gracula religiosa</i>	Hill Mynah	0	50	18	60	17
<i>Lonchura oryzivora</i>	Java Sparrow	0	0	0	1	0



Red-whiskered Bulbul



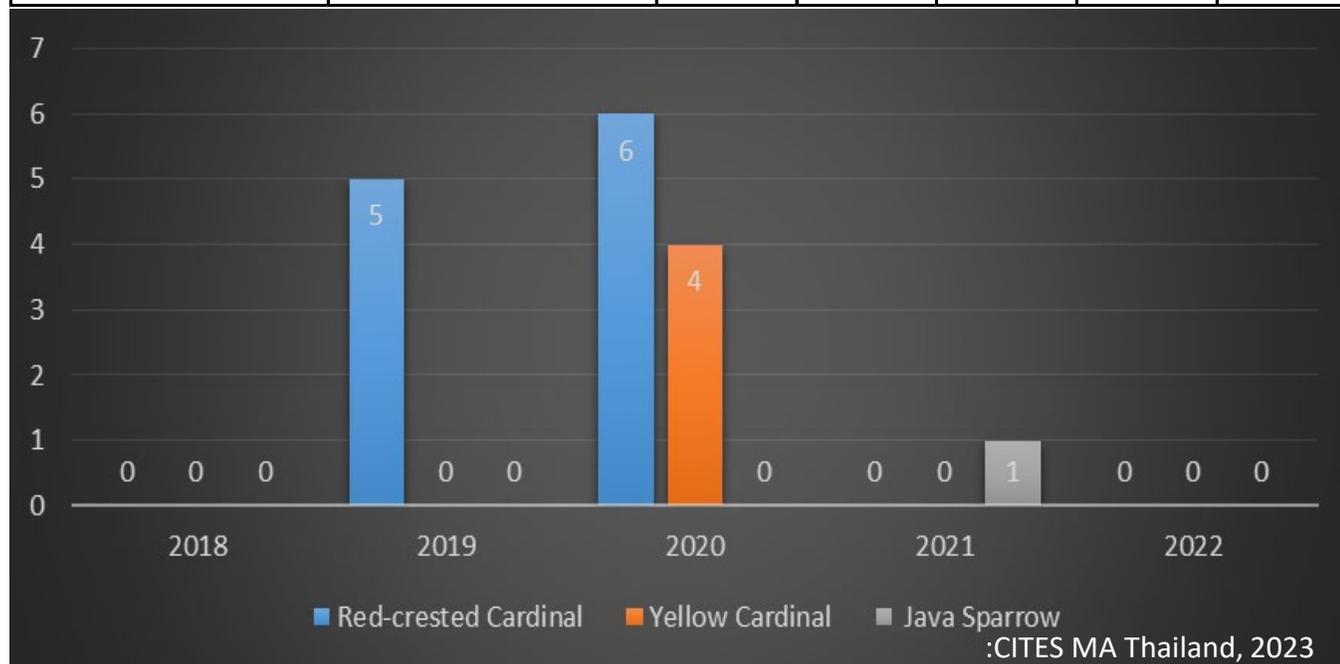
Common Hill Myna  
:Thai national parks

# Legal Trade



## ➤ Import data of live Songbirds for the years 2018 – 2022

Scientific name	Common name	Amount/Years				
		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
<i>Paroaria coronata</i>	Red-crested Cardinal	0	5	6	0	0
<i>Gubernatrix cristata</i>	Yellow Cardinal	0	0	4	0	0
<i>Lonchura oryzivora</i>	Java Sparrow	0	0	0	1	0



➤ Thailand has never applied for permission to import the following 2 species of Songbirds:

1. Red-whiskered Bulbul (*Pycnonotus jocosus*)
2. Hill Mynah (*Gracula religiosa*)

# Illegal Trade



## ประเภทคดีในแต่ละปี

ประเภทคดี	Year of วัน/เดือน/ปี ที่เกิดเหตุ				
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
คดีรายเล็ก	24	173	215	115	89
คดีรายใหญ่	6	7	14	19	2

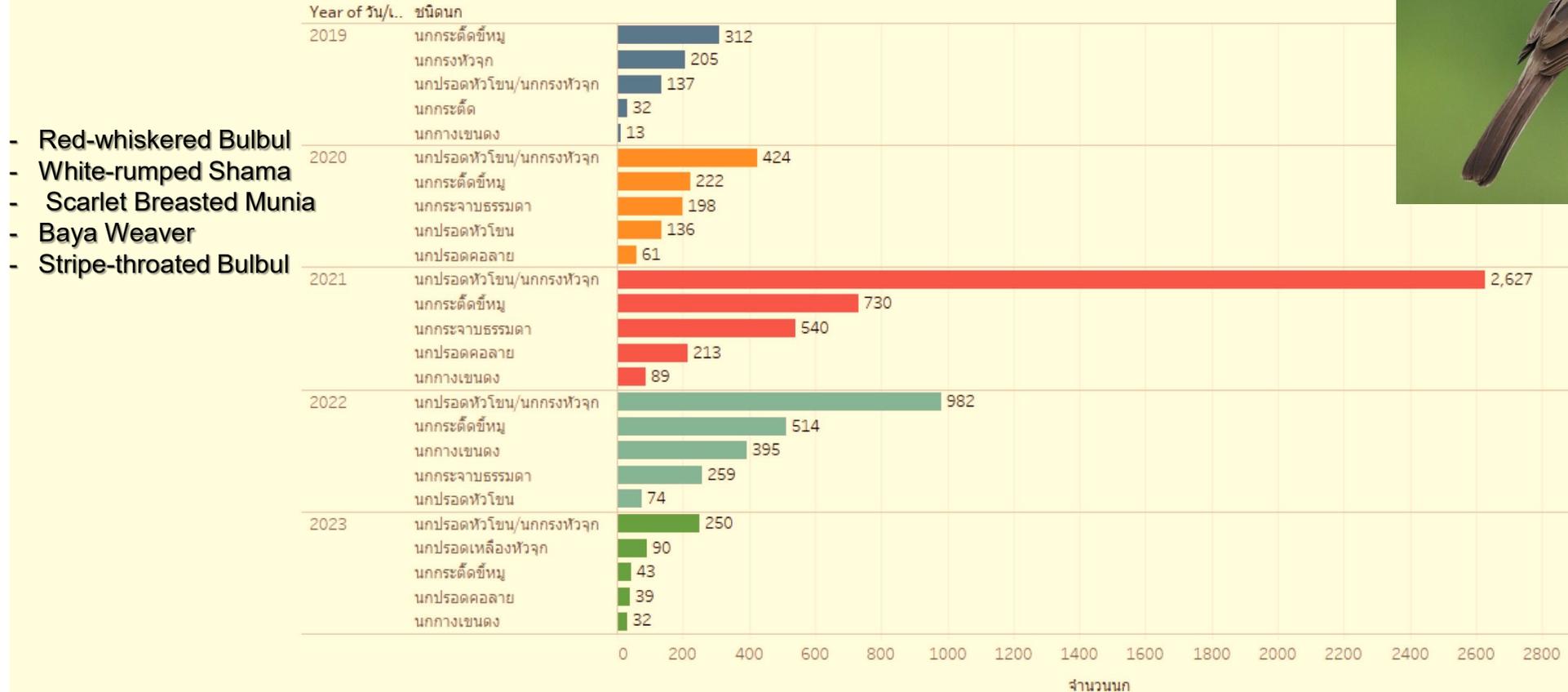
## สถานที่เกิดเหตุ



➤ Species of songbirds are illegally traded for domestic use in Thailand



Red-whiskered Bulbul



# Wildlife Trafficking Arrests and Seizures Operation were linked to illegal online wildlife trade

Prachinburi Province 29 November 2023

- >> 13 White-rumped Shama (*Kittacincla malabarica*)
- >> 1 Emerald Dove (*Chalcophaps indica*)



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# Wildlife Trafficking Arrests and Seizures Operation were linked to illegal online wildlife trade

Ubon Ratchathani Province, 29 November 2023

- 13 White-rumped Shama (*Kittacincla malabarica*)
- 1 Stripe-throated Bulbul (*Pycnonotus finlaysoni*)
- 1 Yellow-vented Bulbul (*Pycnonotus goiavier*)
- 2 Sooty-headed bulbul (*Pycnonotus aurigaster*)
- 4 Black-crested Bulbul (*Pycnonotus melanicterus*)



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# Illegal Trade



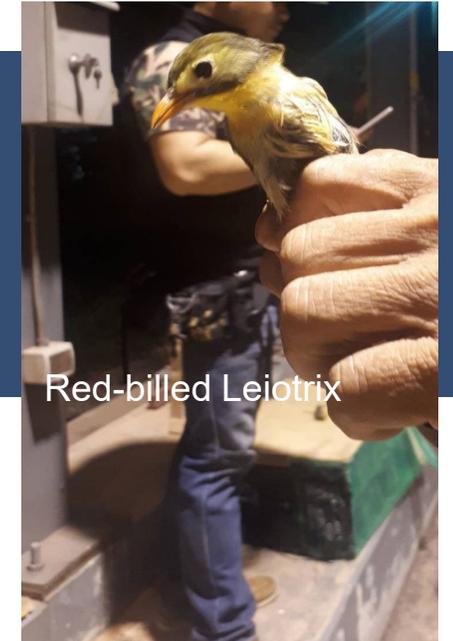
➤ Species of songbirds are illegally traded into international trade from Thailand :

21 May 2019

The Nakornphanom Checkpoint have seized smuggled *Garrulax* spp. and *Leiothrix* spp., from Viet Nam to Thailand at the border.



*Garrulax* spp.



Red-billed Leiothrix

23 October 2021

The Chong Mek Wildlife Checkpoint and provincial police have seized smuggled **1,700 heads of Red-Whiskered Bulbul**, which were contained in 12 baskets from Lao PDR to Thailand at the border, Ban Hin Soong, Sirindhorn, Ubon Ratchathani.

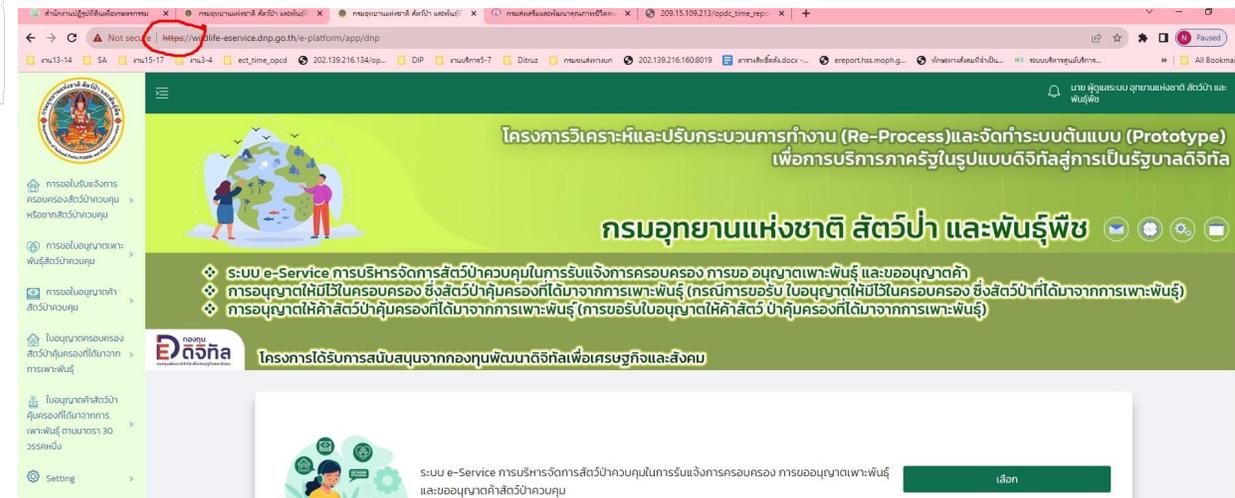
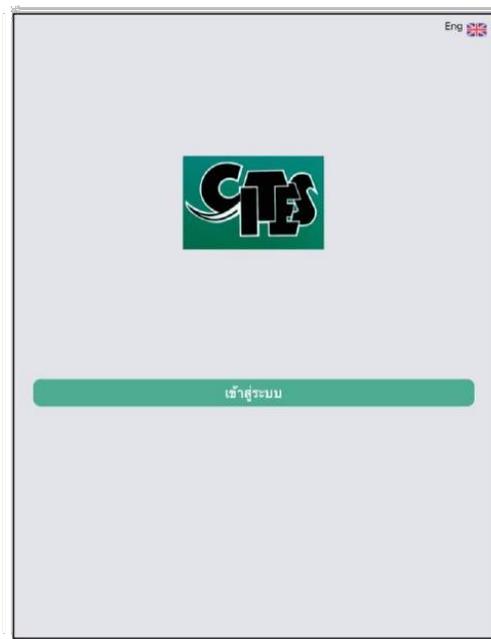
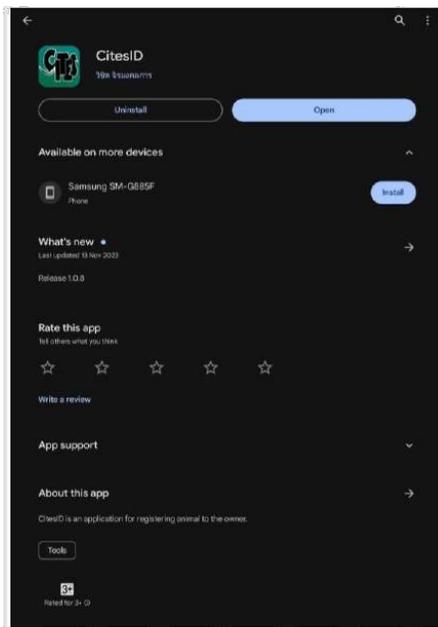


# Challenge



- Development the Data base and the Application for e-service Online to facilitate the convenience of the public in registering the breeding and trading of wildlife species for ownership purposes for reducing illegal activities and traceability.

## Application CITES ID โครงการ e-service Online



# Remained challenges

Monitoring the breeding operation and trade

Internal mechanism to enhance conservation efforts

Working on demand side

What conservation actions would the priority species most benefit from?



THANK YOU

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