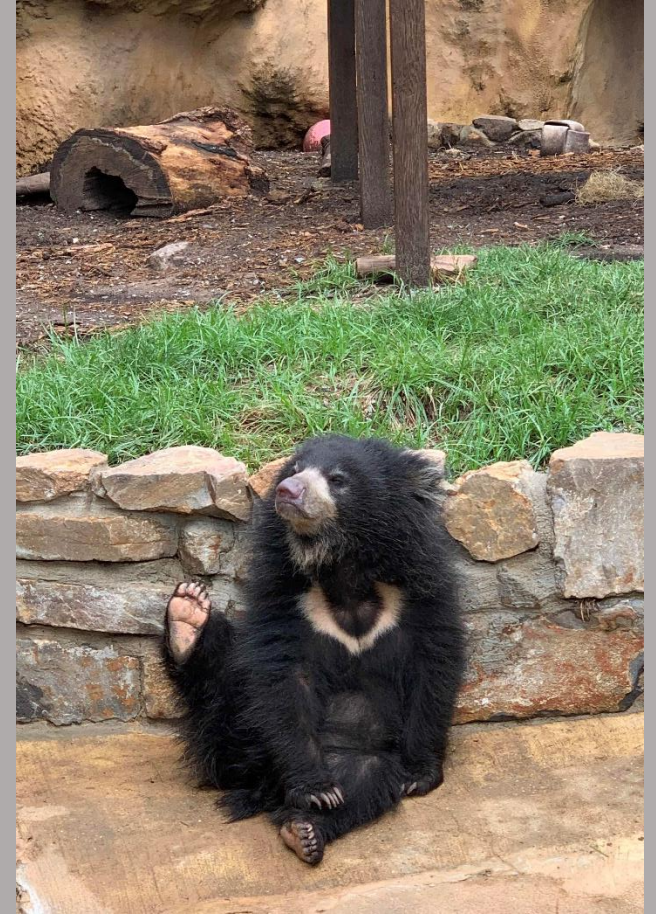


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AZA Regional Studbook
Sloth Bear (*Melursus ursinus*)



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Current to Date
19 Jan 2021

Date of Publication
20 Jan 2021

Current population
31 (14.17)
At 14 Institutions

- 3 year plan 2020 – 2023
(Interim Recommendations can be made)
- 12 females recommended to breed
(watched 4 closely this winter, no births)

Population Analysis &
Breeding and Transfer Plan

Sloth Bear (*Melursus ursinus*)
AZA Species Survival Plan®
Red Program



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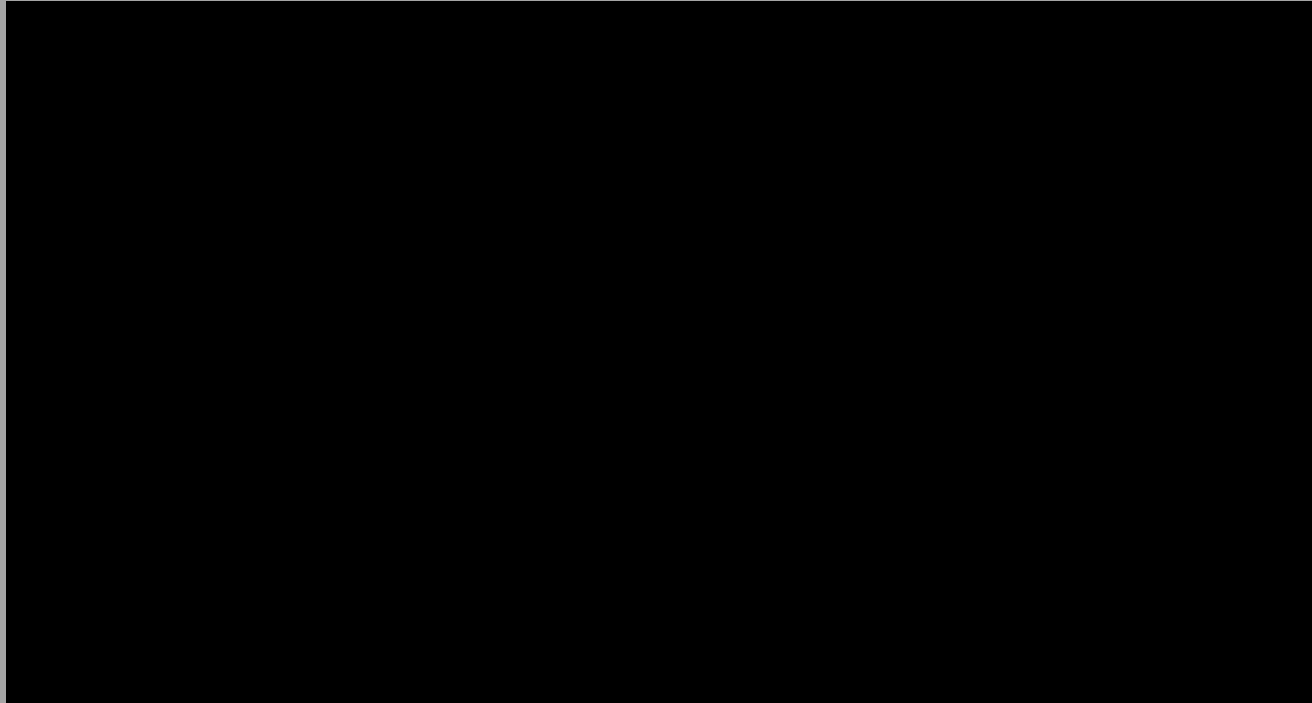
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Looking into the possibility of applying to make Sloth bears a SAFE Program
Thomas is now co-chair of sloth bear specialist group



Unique among them all

Sloth bear
Endemic to the Indian Sub-continent
Eats ants, termites and fruit
Babies ride on mother's back
Threats: Habitat loss and retaliatory killing
IUCN Status: Vulnerable

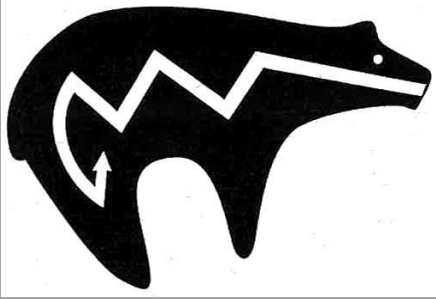
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Interested in joining us to help the sloth bear?
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AZA Bear TAG



Conservation Partners

- Trips to India in 2018 & 2019
- No trip in 2020 due to covid
- no trip planned for 2021
- Tentatively looking at a trip in fall of 2022



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