



Book on the Proboscis Monkey Launched

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The last book on proboscis monkeys was published some 17 years ago by Elizabeth Bennett and Francis Gombek. "The Natural History of the Proboscis Monkey" co-authored by John Sha, Ikki Matsuda and Henry Bernard which was launched on 21st Feb. 2011 and published by the Natural History Publications (Borneo) is only the second publication on such topic. The book is a collaborative project between Wildlife Reserve Singapore, Primate Research Centre of Kyoto University and UMS through the Institute for Tropical Biology & Conservation and its Unit for Primate Studies Borneo. The book not only provide the latest information available about various aspects on the ecology and behaviour of the proboscis monkeys, but also population status and conservation implication with particular focus on the proboscis populations in Sabah. The aim for producing the book is to contribute to increase the appreciation, awareness and education on the plight of proboscis monkeys and illicit larger scaled responses and efforts towards the protection of the species.