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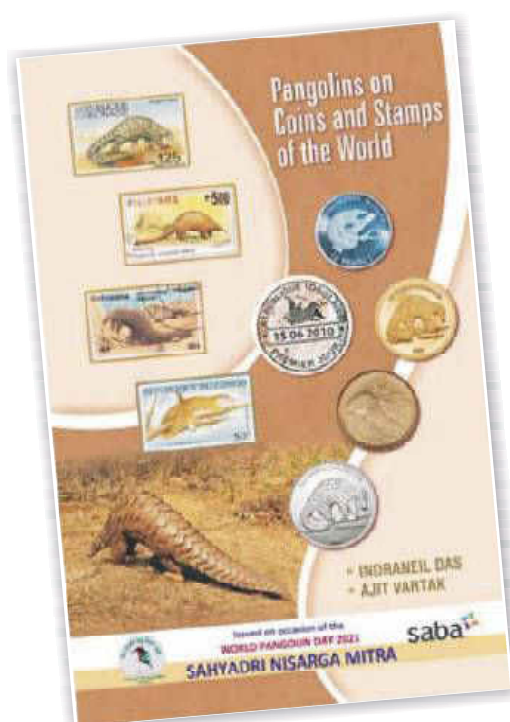
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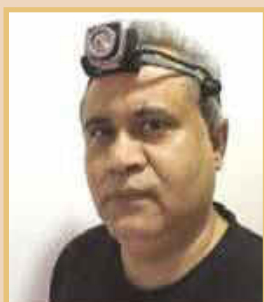
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Sahyadri Nisarga Mitra has been involved in the field of wildlife and biodiversity conservation in India since 1992.

Pangolins are report to be the world's most threatened of the trafficked animals. Over the past four years, we have focussed our work on the conservation of the Indian Pangolin in the Konkan region of northern Western Ghats. Our approach has been education and awareness, as well as research and raising the profile of the species through field surveys and camera trapping studies.

We involve local communities through activities such as surveys as well as livelihood interventions.



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