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Budi

and helping us provide him with the care he deserves.

Alan Knight OBE, Chief Executive



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Budi's fact sheet

Budi arrived at our rescue centre in Ketapang in December 2014. He was about a year old and had spent the previous ten months of his life living in a chicken cage and being fed on condensed milk. This diet was slowly killing him.

Gender: Male

Age: 1 year when rescued

Location: Orangutan Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre

By the time his owner handed him over to the authorities Budi's tummy was bloated from severe malnutrition which had also left his limbs swollen and bent. He was unable to move or sit up on his own. He should have been strong enough to climb and swing but he was as helpless as a new-born baby. He had spent ten months alone and in pain, without a mother's love to comfort him.

When our team lifted Budi from his cage his eyes filled with tears and he cried in agony. He was suffering from anaemia and a serious metabolic disease that may have caused permanent damage to his bones.

Budi was so weak when he arrived at our centre that he couldn't even open his mouth to be fed and didn't know how to chew solid food. For the first month his food had to be puréed to make it easy to swallow. Gradually however he showed signs of improvement. His limbs and tummy became less swollen and he was able to sit up on his own and hold a bottle of milk.

Within just a few short weeks Budi was starting to move on his own and trying to pull himself up by low branches of foliage in his quarantine quarters. He developed a keen appetite for food, eagerly opening his mouth like a fledgling bird when he was being fed. The vets were delighted with his progress. From a tragic beginning, it really looks as though Budi has a bright future!

Orangutan Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre

In 2009 IAR signed an agreement with the Forestry Department in West Kalimantan (Indonesian Borneo) to rescue and rehabilitate orangutans left without food or shelter as a result of deforestation.

IAR has since built a state-of-the-art conservation centre in Ketapang where orangutans of all ages are being rehabilitated and prepared for release into protected areas of forest.



ORANGUTAN FACTS

Orangutans live in Indonesia and Malaysia on the islands of Borneo and Sumatra. The average lifespan for a wild orangutan is 45 years.

Male orangutans grow up to 1.5m in height and weigh up to 120kg. Females are much smaller: they grow up to 1m in height and weigh about 45kg.

Females have their first baby at 14 or 15 years old after a gestation period of eight and a half months. Infants stay with their mothers until they are 7 or 8 years old – longer than any primate apart from humans.

The greatest threat to their survival is loss of their rainforest habitat.

Did you know?

When extended, orangutans' arms are longer than their bodies – over 2m from fingertip to fingertip. They cover their heads with large leaves to shelter from the rain.

When annoyed orangutans smack their lips together, making a sound called a 'kiss squeak'!



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