

## **CNA Correspondent: Wildlife Trafficking in North Sulawesi**



North Sulawesi in Indonesia is one of the most biodiverse areas in the world. Despite the global COVID-19 pandemic and the movement restrictions it has brought on, wildlife trafficking continues to thrive in North Sulawesi. According to the United Nations Development Programme, the value of the illegal wildlife trade in Indonesia alone is estimated at up to US\$1 billion per year.

In this episode of *CNA Correspondent*, Chandni Vatvani investigates this murky business, and finds out that long-standing traditions and appetites for the exotic are pushing various wildlife species ever closer to extinction. The programme gives the viewer an on-the-ground insight into the factors contributing to the problem of the illegal wildlife trade in North Sulawesi, the difficulties faced by authorities to stamp it out, and conservation efforts in place.

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