[REPORT] INSTALIVE INTERVIEW

## BINOCULARS & GPS – CHASING THE DUSKIES

GUEST: JO LEEN YAP, LANGUR PROJECT PENANG (LPP) MODERATOR: SYUHADA SAPNO

24 APRIL 2020, 2-3PM

LPP is a research project that studies the ecology and behaviour of the dusky leaf monkey/dusky langurs (*Trachypithecus obscurus*) in Penang. In this interview session, Jo Leen shared some insights on her experiences working with this incredible primate and on environmental education. In addressing a question by an audience on how she collaborates with members from different backgrounds, Jo Leen said that we must have an open-mind and an open-heart in accepting what each individual has to offer and only then can everyone's skills be fully utilised for the team's benefit. Jo Leen also shared her inspiring journey on studying dusky langurs and her personal growth.

Curiosity rose in the live chat during the interview session on behaviours and sightings of the langurs and long-tailed macaques ( <code>Macaca fascicularis</code> ) in Klang Valley and mainland Penang. Jo Leen mentioned she has received feedbacks from the public on increased sightings of monkeys entering human settlements to search for food since the implementation of Movement Control Order (MCO) due to a decrease in feeding by humans.

It is noted that only a matter of time before the monkeys get accustomed to absence of human-feeding presence and return back to the forest to feed on their natural food. She suggested several ways to mitigate the issue of monkey-feeding. In the midst of it all, Jo Leen shared an amazing video footage of how a dusky langur reacts when it encounters a snake.

The session ended with Jo Leen giving advice to viewers who are keen to start out as environmental educators.

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Jo Leen's effort on conservation of dusky langurs published in local news

The Rimba Project received a wonderful feedback on this session:

"It was a really good session. Much smoother in terms of moderation. I like how you address both comments and questions in timely manner (must be by practice. Hehe). Jo Leen is very knowledgeable and passionate about langur, and it shows throughout her explanation. Also, your interaction with each other is so entertaining la. It also feels like those who commented have a real time interaction with you too. I'm sure many audiences like me appreciate it. What a fun crowd you gais had today! Walaupun lagging, it's still fun. Thanks for today!"

- Balqis Tajalli

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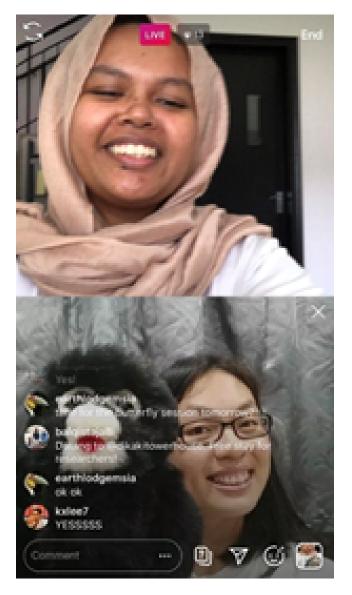
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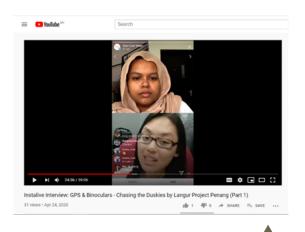
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Screenshot of the interview session uploaded on The Rimba Project's YouTube page

**■** Screenshot of the interview session on Instagram Live with Jo Leen (below)



#### LINK TO THE YOUTUBE VIDEO

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Instalive Interview is a conversation series discussing on various topics ranging from urban garden, environmental education, urban wildlife, volunteer enhancement/support and art. There are two series of these live streams. Here in the first series we had four invited guests, each of them has their own unique ways and experiences of conserving nature in the city.

Interaction with viewers where we addressed their questions in realtime allowed greater engagement as they became active participants that are directly involved in the discussion. The recorded Instalives were then uploaded to The Rimba Project's YouTube page. Time stamps with topic of discussion was added in the description for viewers to jump straight to their preferred topics of interest.

The series was a success as this form of networking has increased the audience for The Rimba Project on the social media platforms, especially on Instagram.

Bar graph shows the total highest number of viewers whom participated in the interactive interviews throughout all four sessions

