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PRESS RELEASE

CLOSE SEASON ENDS

The Wildlife Division of Forestry Commission wishes to bring to the attention of the general public that the 2023 Close Season ban on hunting, capturing, trading, export and possession of wildlife has ended. The Open Season thus kicks off from 1st December 2023 to 1st August, 2024.

Although the Close Season has ended, the Division would like to urge business operators in the sector to be circumspect in all their actions, and abide by the Wildlife Conservation Regulations, L.I. 685 which prohibits anyone from hunting, capturing or destroying any wholly protected animal such as but not limited to the Chimpanzee, Pangolin, Aardvark, Manatee, Leopard, Cheetah, Elephant, Palm Squirrel, Hippopotamus, Crocodile, Hawk, Eagle, etc.

Business operators are again encouraged to have the required licenses and permits for their business activities during the Open Season.

For licenses and permits, kindly contact the nearest Wildlife Division Office at the Region, District or Protected Area.

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