

APRIL 2025



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APRIL 2025 OVERVIEW

1. Daily Operations and Elephant Care at the sanctuary

April was a steady and productive month at the sanctuary in Amaltari. Eva and Lhamo continue to receive exceptional care from our dedicated team, with all daily operations—including feeding, medical attention, enrichment activities, and mahout salaries—running smoothly. The management team demonstrated strong coordination and dedication throughout the month, ensuring the elephants' needs were met consistently and that the sanctuary operated efficiently. These foundational efforts are essential to the wellbeing of the elephants and to maintaining a safe and structured environment for all.

2. Volunteer and Internship Program

Our internship program continued to evolve positively in April. We bid farewell to two enthusiastic Nepali interns, **Anupama KC** and **Sadikshya Khadka**, who completed their term with us. Anupama submitted a comprehensive report to her university, focusing on captive elephant welfare, and has expressed her intention to pursue a Master's degree in this field. Her experience with SU4E has clearly contributed to shaping her academic and professional trajectory.

We are encouraged to see an increasing number of Nepali students taking interest in elephant conservation and reaching out to Stand Up 4 Elephants for hands-on learning experiences. This trend aligns with our broader goal of strengthening local capacity and engaging the next generation in ethical wildlife protection.

3. Ramu Program - Ongoing Support in Sauraha

Support for Ramu, the 36-year-old male elephant, continued steadily throughout April. Our team maintained a daily presence, delivering food and monitoring his well-being alongside his mahouts. It is important to reaffirm that SU4E does not provide any financial compensation to the Rijal family, the legal owners of Ramu. Instead, our assistance focuses exclusively on Ramu's care.

The U.S.-based NGO Conserve remains a key partner by funding the salary of Ramu's mahout through SU4E. This amount is transferred directly to the mahout, ensuring transparency and avoiding any intermediaries. This approach allows us to maintain integrity and clarity in our operations while continuing to support Ramu's welfare under constrained circumstances.

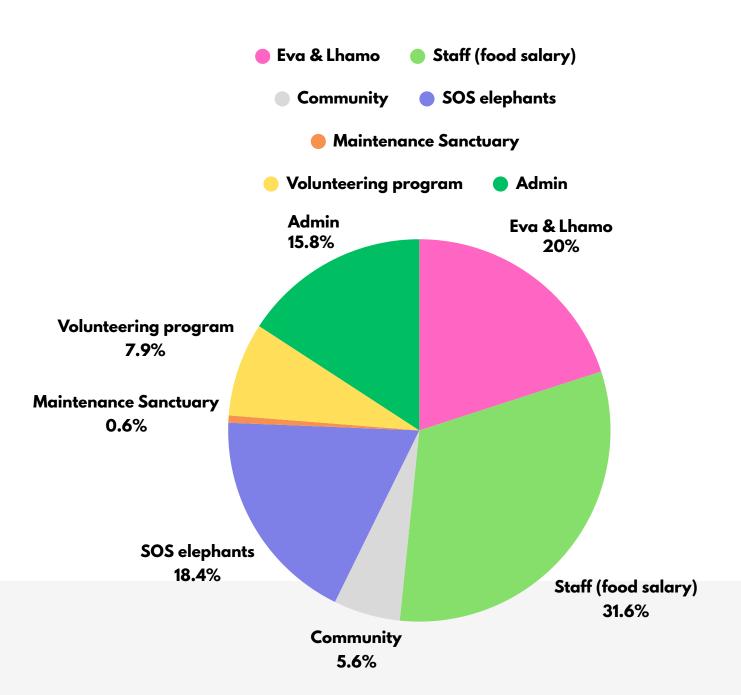
4. Visit of the SU4E Belgium Board

April also marked an important milestone as the official board members of SU4E Belgium visited Nepal and held a formal meeting at the new sanctuary premises, now located within Tiger Tops Tharu Lodge's Elephant Camp.

The board members expressed strong appreciation for the transparency of operations and the precise allocation of funds. Their visit served to reinforce the alignment between the Belgian and Nepali teams and reaffirmed shared goals. Additionally, the board brought uplifting news: new institutional donors have expressed a desire to support SU4E's work in Nepal, a development that bodes well for the future sustainability and expansion of our programs.

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PHOTOS SOS ELEPHANT - RAMU





Delivery of Corn, Hay and banana trees April 2025



