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ENVIRONMENTAL FILE

NOVO SELO TRAINING AREA

PART 1 NATURAL PARK „SINITE KAMANI”

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The park has been found on 28 November 1980 in order to preserve its unique flora and fauna and also a wealth of land in its natural state for science, recreation and tourism

Declaration orders:

- Declaration order 893/28.11.1980 of Commission of Environmental Defence of the Ministerial Council
- Order 410/07.05.1982 changes the area;
- Order - 351/14.07. 2000 changes the category from national park to natural park;
- Order 767/05.08.2002 changes the area.

In the rights of the Regional Inspection of Environmental and Water Defence – Stara Zagora.

In accordance with an administrative division of Republic of Bulgaria the area of natural park belongs to Sliven region. It lies on the ground of several districts and vicinities of villages: Ichera, Sotirya, Glushnik, Blatets, Kaloyanovo and Topolchane.

Location

The territory of the natural park “Sinite kamani” lies on the steepest slopes of Sliven mountain. That includes the southern ridges of eastern part of Stara planina mountains, which is beneath of the op Bulgarka. The park has rectangular shape with length 21 km and width 7 km.

Relief

The park has a complicated tectonic and geological structure.....diversity, steep terrains, much of them are impossible to approach. There are many rock formations, caves and waterfalls. The relief of the park has a hilly-mountain character. The average altitude is 735,5 m. Many peaks are located on the territory of the park Here there are peak Bulgarka (1181,8 m), peak Kutekla (1084,2m), peak Kulata (1049,8), peak Barmuk (780,3m), peak Matrun (652,8m).

Protected by the Bulgarian laws are 18 species – according to Order 718 and Order 402, issue 105/03.12.1995.

Included in a practical context in the economical commission in EU are also 5 species, because it is consider that they are vulnerable in a world scale. The list consist of 1 species, in the category “are being extinct -Tulipa urumofii, 1 species, in the category “vulnerable”- Colchium davidovii. In the category “rare” there are 3 species.

In Europe there is a Red list, which includes 7 species. In the category “vulnerable” there are 2 species and in the category “rare” there are 5 species.

All species, belonging to family are included to a special application - CITES.

In the park there are 36 plant species, protected by the Bulgarian law, most of them are also included in The Red Book in Bulgaria.

Among all birds there are 18 species in the category “protected” and 2 species in the category “rare”. 5 species are enlisted in The Red Book and 1 species is in the category “vulnerable”.

Most of the singing birds are protected by the law. Nesting birds here are 108 species and 101 of them are protected. In the context of the Bern convention , in European plan 130 species are included in a special application in this convention.

Among mammals, living in the park there are 20 protected species. One species is enlisted in The Red Book. All bats, which are 9 species are protected. Most of the carnivorous mammals are also enlisted in The Red Book and are included in the application of the Bern Convention.

“Ablanovo” is a breeding place on the territory of the park.

On the territory of the park hunting is forbidden, which includes 6384,9 ha, located in the old part of the park. Additional territory, encompassing the park includes 4286,7 ha; there hunting is allowed by the hunting law.

On the territory of the park fishing is forbidden.

Current forbidden regime

According to Bulgarian law, article 31 of the "Protected territories law" in the natural parks it is forbidden:

1. Clear cutting.
 2. Importing and introducing of species, animals and plants, which are alien to the region.
 3. Grazing of goats, as well as grazing of livestock in forests outside.
 4. Collecting fossils and minerals, damaging rock formations.
 5. Polluting waters and grounds with household, industrial and other waste.
 6. Camping and lighting of fire outside.
 7. Deriving of natural resources in the open area.
 8. Deriving and manufacturing of natural resources, by using chemical biochemical methods and cyanides.
 9. Building and any kind of activities, that are not allowed by the national laws and regional plans, projects.
 10. Collecting of rare, endemic, relict and protected species. The only exception is for scientific purpose.
 11. Getting of any resources from the sea by dragging and trawling.
- Other activities specified by the designation order for the protected area and the management plan.

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It is prohibited:

1. Hunting and chasing of animals, collecting and damaging of wild birds' eggs, as well as damaging their nests.
2. Clear cutting, except cutting for sanitary purposes.
3. Using of any exploding materials and substances.
4. Maintaining of geological and mine activities, changing the relief and landscape.

Order 767/05.08.2002 changes the area.

It is prohibited:

1. Disturbing the natural state of aquatic areas, watercourses, the banks and littoral zones.
2. Seeking and searching of natural resources.