

Pride in Pawi

Preserving a national treasure

The Pawi or Trinidad piping-guan (*Pipile pipile*) is a bird endemic to Trinidad. It is found only here in our forests. The Pawi is also globally among the most endangered cracids. With a population of approximately 230, its conservation status is listed as **critically endangered**. Its species is being affected by degradation of its habitats through deforestation (including quarrying and the encroachment of the built environment), hunters and bush fires.

Through a grant from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Guardian Life Wildlife Fund (GLWF), in collaboration with national and international partners, has taken up the challenge to help save the Pawi by embarking on Platform I of its **Pride in Pawi** Project.

Pride in Pawi is a comprehensive communication programme aimed at educating nationals on the Pawi and encouraging protection of this endangered bird.

Guardians of Our Wildlife

Established in 1992 as an independent trust, the mandate of the **Guardian Life Wildlife Fund** is to assist citizen groups in the conservation of the country's living resources and habitats. The Trust also has an educational mandate: to nurture an environmentally responsible national consciousness by raising awareness of the enormous issues attached to the question of preservation and conservation.

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