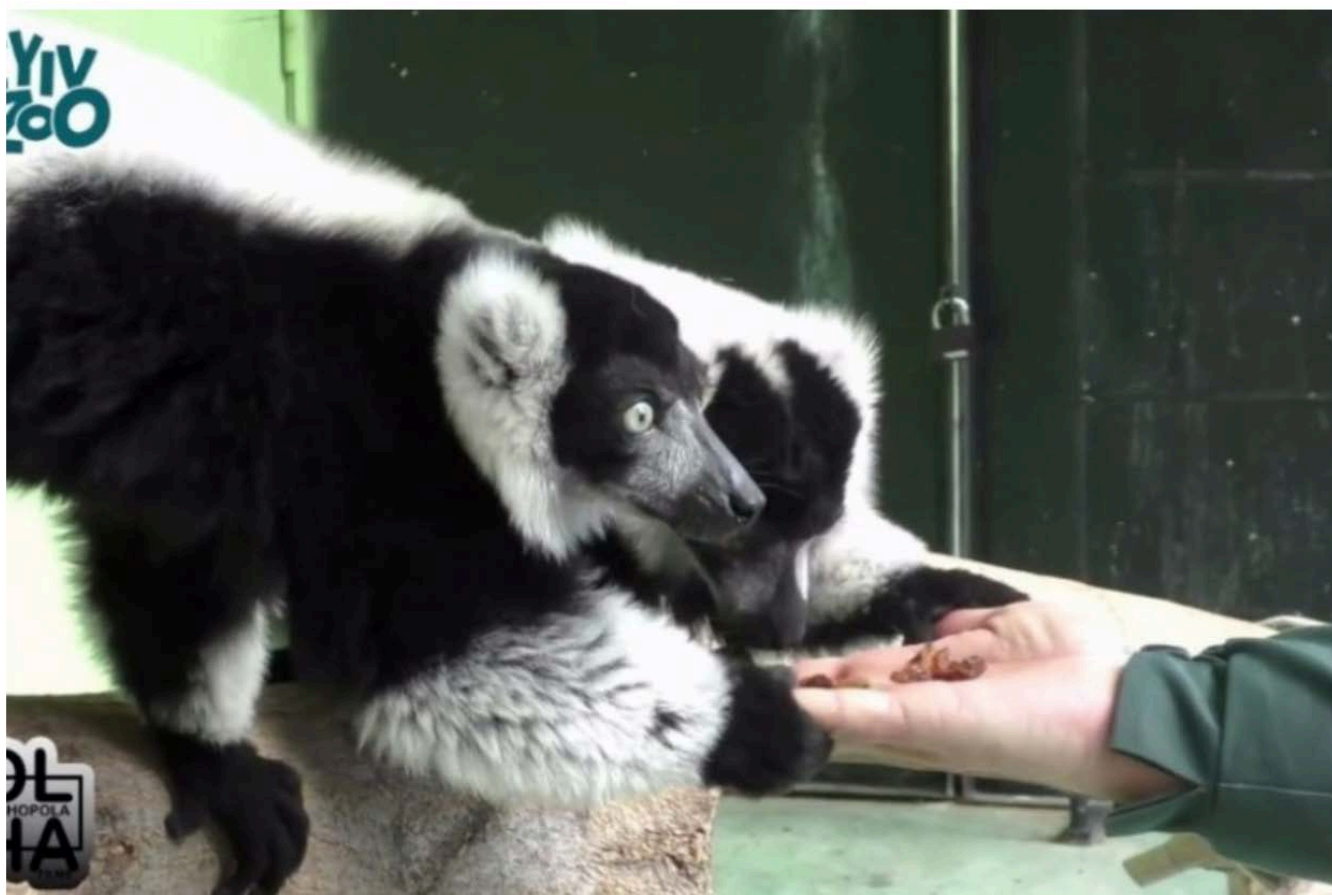


MADAGASKARSKIM LEMURS ARE THREATENED WITH EXTINCTION – SCIENTISTS

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An international group of scientists conducted an assessment of the number of lemurs and said that animals are under threat of extinction.

During the study, scientists studied the latest data on populations of lemurs and the threats to their life, and areas of residence, the BBC reports.

The results showed that the lemurs bareboat most at risk among primates.

As stated by Ross Mettenmeier from the organization Global Wildlife Conservation, there is a high risk of extinction unique lemurs of Madagascar and the “threat to the entire biodiversity as a whole.” Animals are faced with various threats, primarily the destruction of their habitat – the tropical forests, through so – called slash and burn agriculture, illegal logging and mining.

Scientists came to the conclusion that of the 111 known species of lemurs 105 are under threat of extinction. Researchers have already begun implementation of the “plan of salvation lemurs”. It provides for the protection of the environment in which they live species that are under threat, and the fight against poverty through eco-tourism.