

# RANGER PORTRAIT

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## Main duties:

- community involvement
- patrols against environmental crimes
- training volunteer rangers

## Why is your work important to you?

This is my home, I was born in this part of the country. For me, protecting this nature also means protecting my homeland. And if we safeguard its nature today, our children can discover the same beauty and live in it as we do.

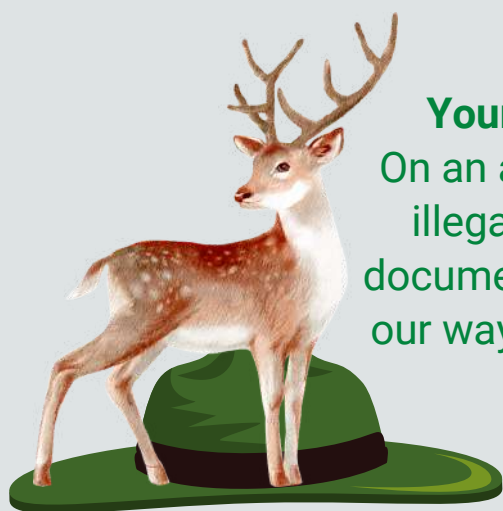
## What is your greatest motivator even when it's hard working out there?

I have spent most of my life working for nature protection and have acquired all the knowledge that alone motivates me to apply it and pass it on. I am also convinced that if you want something from others, set an example: be the change you want to see.

## Your biggest moment of luck during work?

On an anti-poaching tour, we came across some illegal hunters. We confiscated weapons and documents. As we left, about ten big deer blocked our way. They watched us and we watched them.

It was as if they were expressing gratitude and recognition for us protecting them.



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