

Hua Hin Zoo

First Visit: 21st February 2017

Staff attempted to explain that the tigers had been taken, though the explanation appeared to vary between running off into the forest to have babies or being taken by the government. There were, however, two white lions there. Two cages remained that appeared to have been where the tigers were kept. There were numerous pictures depicting the tigers in these cages.

The cages were completely inadequate at about 3 x 4 metres. They were simple concrete floors, each containing a platform. There were no enrichment items present and no natural enclosures.

The younger lion, a 6-month-old cub, was chained out at the front for photos and seemed to be well cared for. The handler was delighted to show us videos of him running around with the lion cub running freely through the zoo behind him. Once again it seems that the love and care is there but the scientific understanding of good welfare is lacking.

Second Visit: 11th April 2018

There was no change at the zoo. There were no tigers and the white lion still was out for photos, just a year older.

Third Visit: 2019

Not visited