

Centre to hold talk on proboscis monkeys Aug 12

KUCHING: The Sarawak Biodiversity Centre will hold an awareness talk on proboscis monkeys in Sarawak tomorrow (Aug 12).

A press release said the talk will start at 3pm at Telang Usan Hotel here.

Sarawak Forestry Corporation (SFC) Protected Areas and Biodiversity Conservation head Oswald Braken Tisen will share an overview of the status of proboscis monkeys in Sarawak.

The proboscis monkey is one of the world's most unique primates, exclusively found in Borneo.

It is known to be a proficient swimmer and expert at leaping from tree to tree, or from a riverside tree into the middle of a river.

Male proboscis monkeys are not only one of the largest monkeys in Asia but also one of the world's most distinctive mammals, having a long and fleshy nose and a large, swollen stomach. The fleshy, pendulous noses are used to attract mates.

Register for the free public talk by emailing constance@sbc.org.my or by calling Constance or Nurulliza on 082-610610.