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# Four Bali starling babies grace Nusa Penida

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Klungkung: The Friends of the National Parks Foundation (FNPF) facility in Nusa Penida island recently witnessed the hatching of four Bali starling babies, boosting the morale of FNPF staff who for years had devoted their energies to protecting the conservation area for the endangered species, which is the resort island's official bird.

The tiny chicks were the offspring of two pairs of birds at the FNPF community center in Ped village. The pairs were brought to the center last December from a West Java breeding facility owned by Soehana Oetodjo, one of the country's most experienced Bali Starling breeders.

"It's very exciting — these are the first offspring after 10 months," said FNPF's founder and CEO, Dr. IGN Bayu Wirayudha.

"We would like to show those interested in the captive breeding of starlings for conservation that you don't need fancy cages. We used very simple, secure, inexpensive enclosures, which met wildlife welfare standards — something that people on Nusa Penida can copy," he added. "Also we trained our local staff to breed the birds, showing you don't need any specialist skills to do this."

FNPF is a grass roots conservation NGO, working to protect wildlife while also supporting local communities.

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