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Four Starling Chicks Hatched in Bali

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TEMPO.CO, Jakarta - The fight to save one of the world's most endangered birds, the Bali starling, just got a major boost with the hatching of four healthy tiny chicks at the Friends of the National Parks Foundation's (FNPF) center on Nusa Penida island.

The tiny chicks, hatched about two weeks ago, are the offspring of two pairs of birds at the FPNP community center in the island's Ped village.

"It's very exciting – these are the first offspring after 10 months," says FNPF's Founder and CEO Dr I.G.N. Bayu Wirayudha. "We would like to show to people [who are] 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."

FNPF is a grassroots conservation non-governmental organization, working to protect wildlife and its habitat, and at the same time, supporting local communities. Our projects have been recognized by global organizations such as the United Nations Development Programme and the Whitley Fund for Nature.

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