WHV- Maintain the Safety of Tourists at Mount Sanqingshan National Park

Mount Sanqingshan National Park, China

Mount Sanqingshan National Park, a 22,950 ha property located in the west of the Huyaiyu mountain range in the northeast of Jiangxi Province (in the east of central China) has been inscribed for its exceptional scenic quality, marked by the concentration of fantastically shaped pillars and peaks: 48 granite peaks and 89 granite pillars, many of which resemble human or animal silhouettes. The area is subject to a combination of subtropical monsoonal and maritime influences and forms an island of temperate forest above the surrounding subtropical landscape. It also features forests and numerous waterfalls, some of them 60 metres in height, lakes and springs.

Project objectives: The project, in its fifth year of implementation, aims at improving the safety conditions for the tourists at the Mount Sanqingshan National Park, while also promoting a good balance between the growing number of visitors and the respect of the natural environment of the site. It also aims to raise awareness about the importance of the protecting the site, which is especially challenged during the peak season by the massive affluence of tourists.

Project activities: The volunteers will cooperate with the site management authorities in order to provide a safer environment during their visit. They will be involved in the activities such as securing and repairing paths and signboards and also cleaning different areas of the park while promoting public awareness about its biodiversity and sustainability. The volunteers will also make the best use of their multi-lingual advantage to revise and translate the park signboards into different languages, and will conduct educational work at the local middle school in order to share with the students their knowledge of World Heritage conservation. Therefore
they will demonstrate the value of non-formal education and encourage the local youth to join in the volunteer work for World Heritage preservation and sustainable development.

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