

Tiger triplets have debut at Washington state zoo

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Jaya walks out with Kirana, Dari, and Indah at the Sumatran tiger enclosure at the Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium on Thursday, Dec. 4, 2014. The Sumatran tiger triplets born Oct. 8 weighting between two and half to three pounds. (AP Photo/The News Tribune, Lui Kit Wong)

(AP)—Sumatran tiger triplets born two months ago have gone on public display Friday at a zoo in Washington state.

The Point Defiance Zoo and Aquarium in Tacoma says the triplets are a cause for celebration for the endangered species. Only about 300 remain

in the wild on the Indonesian island of Sumatra. About 400 live in zoos worldwide.

Kirana, Dari and Indah had been behind the scenes with their mother, Jaya, while they put on weight. The three female tigers each weighed about 3 pounds at birth and now weigh about 15 pounds each.

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