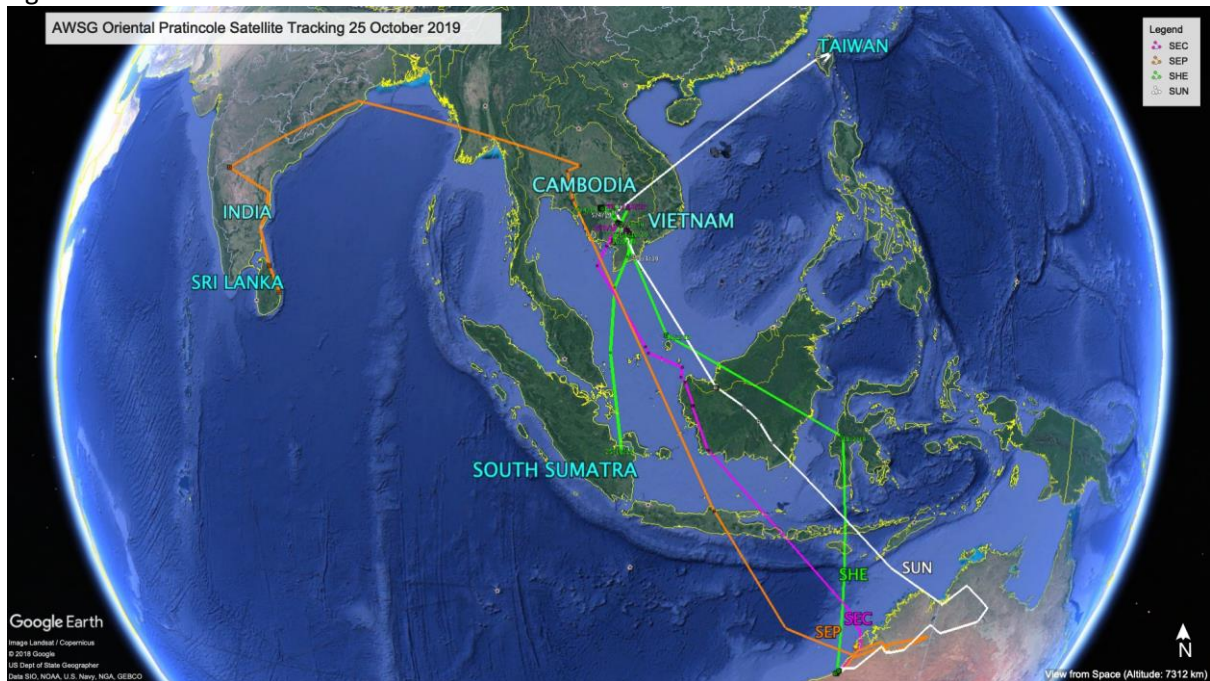


Oriental Pratincole (by Grace Maglio)

SHE is heading south and is now in South Sumatra.
SEC has moved even further north and is within the Tonle Sap Lake Biosphere Reserve.
SEP seems to have headed back north in Sri Lanka.
And still no signals at all from SUN (since 6 August).

Fig 1: Tracks of Oriental Pratincole – 25 Oct 2019



SHE (PTT 83595) – Homeward Bound!?

Since the last report, SHE has travelled 1500km south and is now approximately 50km north-east of Palembang, the capital of South Sumatra. South Sumatra has a population of 8.4 million with mining, agriculture and various manufacturing and processing industries driving the economy of this region. At the time of this report SHE is 1700km from its original breeding ground by the Tonle Sap Lake and 2500km from its Anna Plains release site.

Fig 2: SHE 25/10/19 South Sumatra stopover during southward migration.

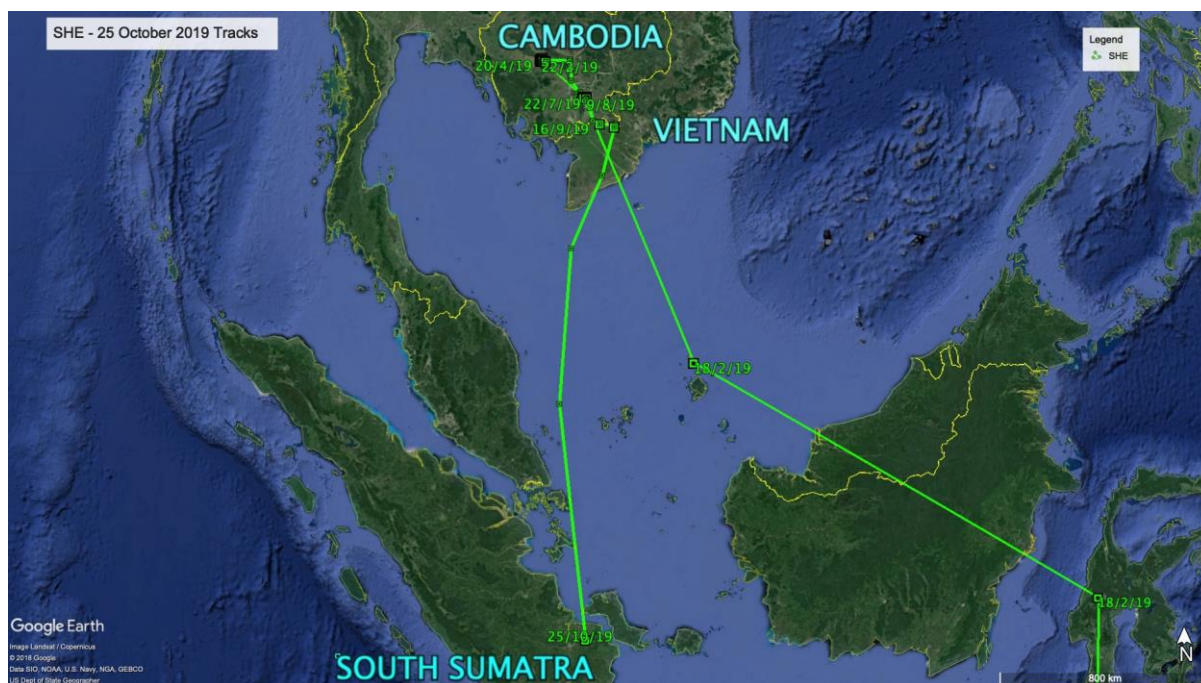
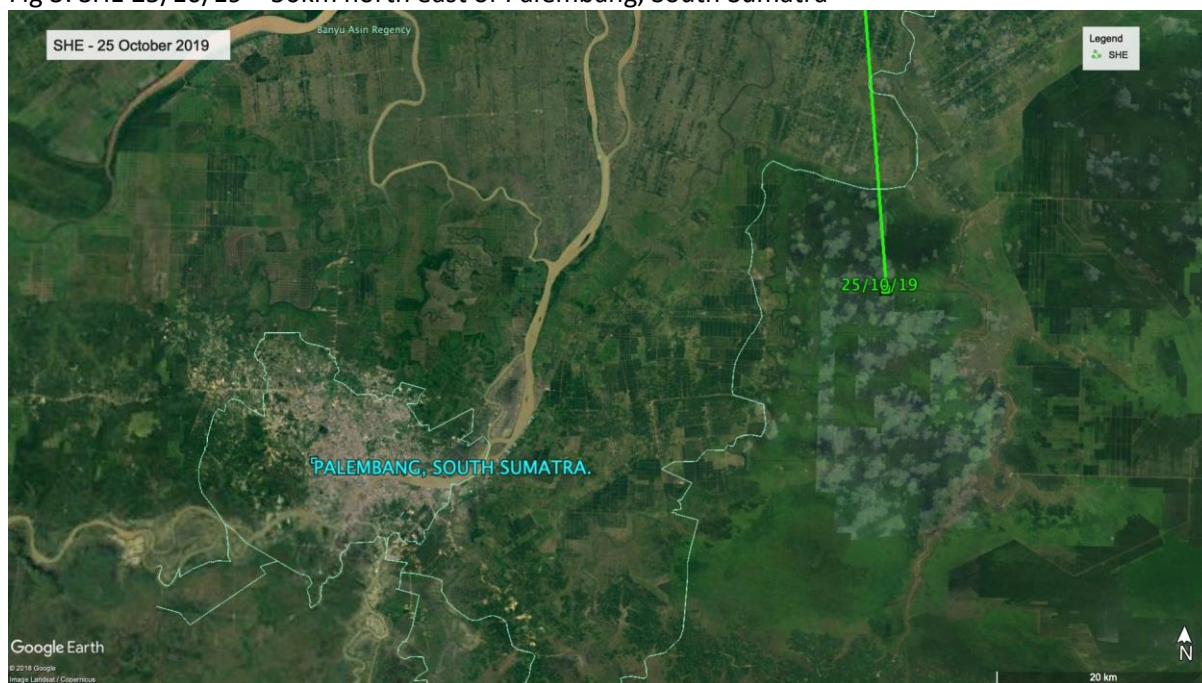


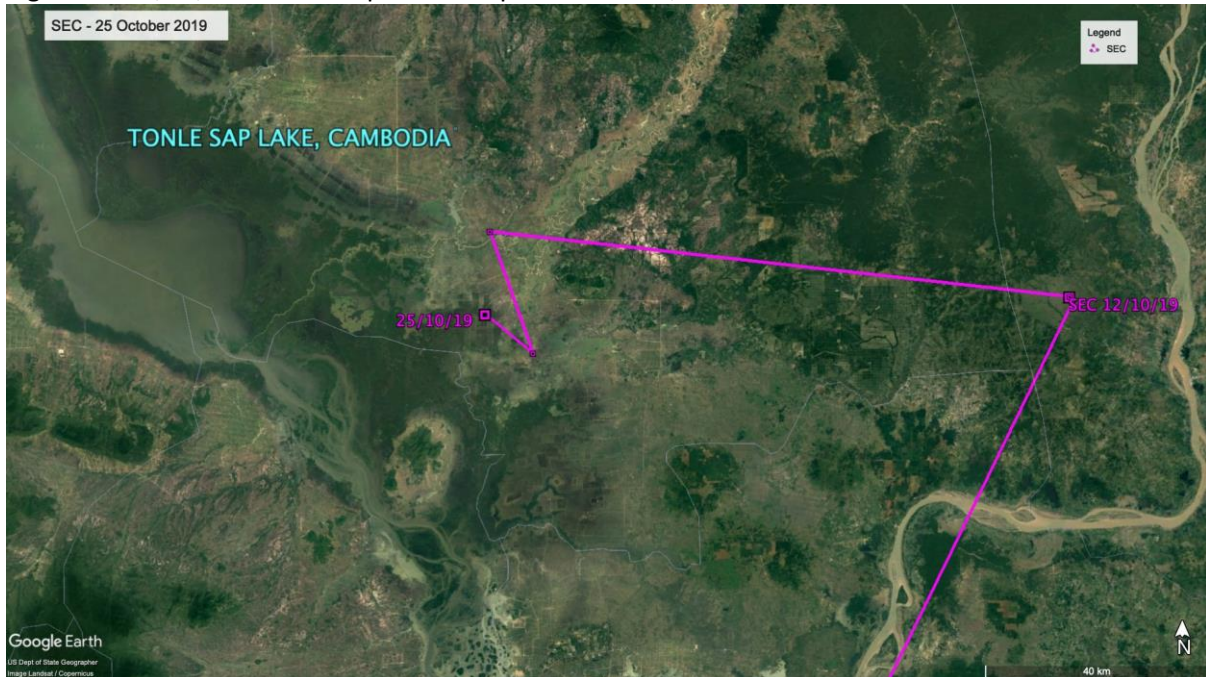
Fig 3: SHE 25/10/19 – 50km north east of Palembang, South Sumatra



SEC (PTT 83596) – Tonle Sap Lake Visit

In contrast to SHE, SEC has headed north again and is now within the Tonle Sap Lake Biosphere Reserve.

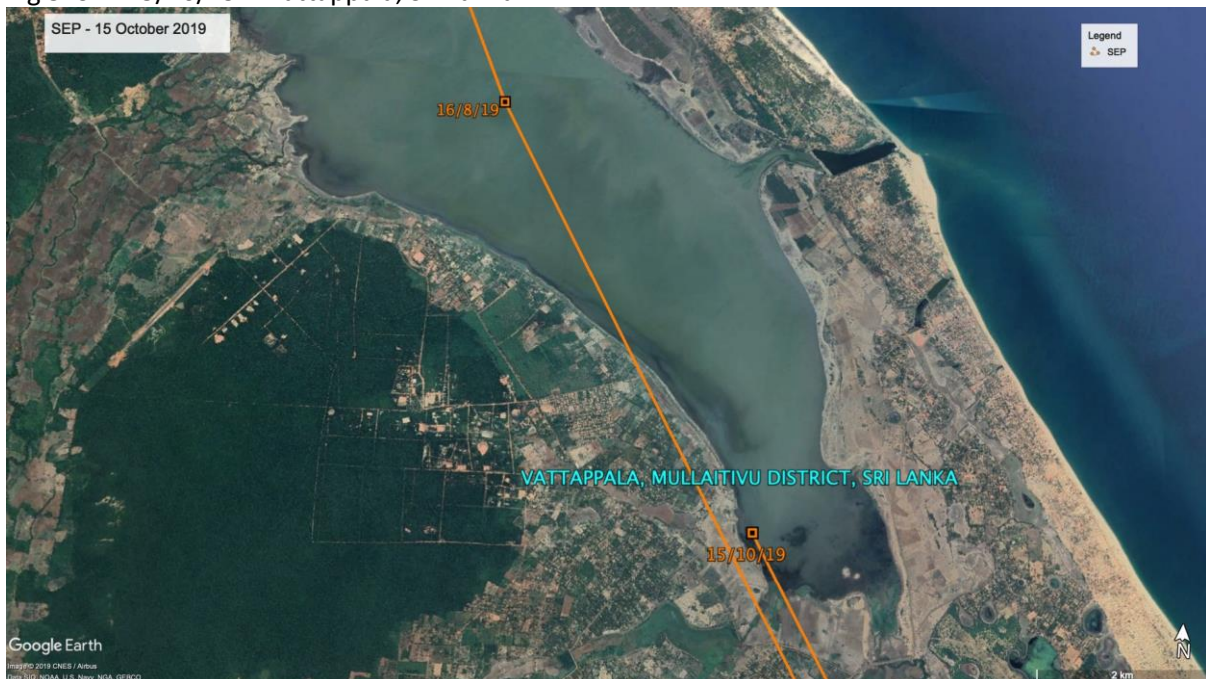
Fig 4: SEC 25/10/19 – Tonle Sap Lake Biosphere Reserve, Cambodia.



SEP (PTT 83593) – Little to report.

Data continues to be scarce for SEP with the last transmission being on the 15th October near Vattappala in the Mullaitivu District, Sri Lanka.

Fig 5: SEP 25/10/19 – Vattappala, Sri Lanka.



SUN (PTT 83591) – Almost given up!

No signals at all from SUN since the 1st September. There is still a slim possibility that signals may return during southward migration.

Fig 6: SUN – Still no accurate readings. Pinned area marks probable location from last reading (low accuracy) 1/9/19.



Whimbrel – Another home run (by Katherine Leung)

Good news and bad news.

Good news: After staying for 23 days in Indonesia, Whimbrel LA has made its way back home to Eighty Mile Beach, to be more exact, 40-50km south to Anna Plain station entrance. LA arrived Eighty Mile Beach on 11 Oct after a 1,370km single flight. The arrival date is only 4 days late compare to previous season.

Bad news: Transmitter on KU has ceased sending signal since 9 Oct. Based on the performance of the satellite transmitter in the past month, I tend to believe the transmitter has come to the end of its life after functioning for 957 days and providing us with 2 complete migration journeys of KU in the past 2.5 years. I hope that KU has safely migrated back to Broome.

Fig 7: Complete track of LA in season 2019



Migration summary of Whimbrels (as of 31 Oct 2019):

Leg Flag (track colour)	No. of days since transmitter deployment	No. of days since departing Australia	Distance travelled (since deployment in Feb 2017)
KU (yellow)	957 days (transmission ceased on 9 Oct)	-	53,820 km (2 complete journeys+)
LA (blue)	991 days	168 days	43,417 km (2 complete journeys)