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The country has lost eight rhinos to poaching syndicates between January and April, the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism revealed this week.

According to the Ministry, seven rhinos were poached in the country's flagship Etosha National Park, while one poaching case occurred on a private farm.

In a direct response to the continual poaching cases, the Ministry said last year it immobilized and dehorned 147 rhinos as part of a broader strategy to combat poaching.

The Ministry further revealed that more than N\$350 million has been allocated in the current financial year to strengthen conservation efforts, improve protection, and promote the sustainable use of wildlife species.

Namibia is a global stronghold for rhino conservation, home to the world's largest population of critically endangered south-western black rhinos and a significant population of white rhinos.

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