

Countries that Violate Human Rights

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More than 167 countries are guilty of violating the human rights of its citizens. And while some of those are unsafe to visit, others are tempting holiday destinations which are not deemed dangerous for travellers. Forget green hotels and eco friendly travel. These destinations are so far from behaving responsibly when it comes to their citizens, the environment or wildlife that they only serve to highlight just how far we have to go when it comes to embracing and moving beyond sustainable travel.

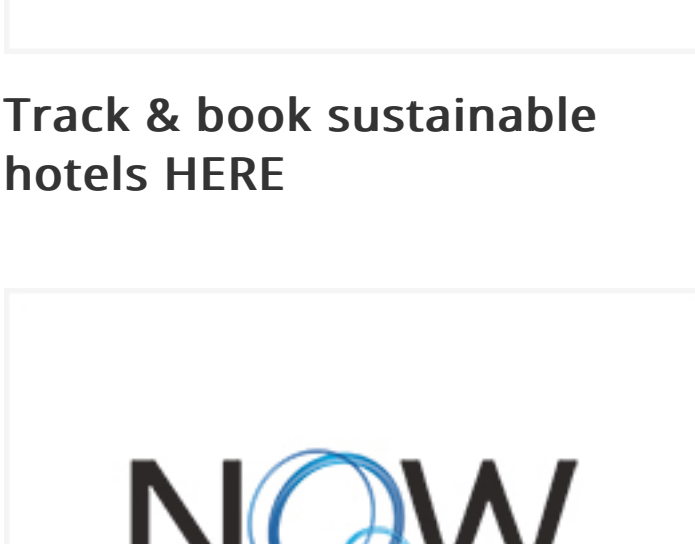
According to the 2018 Global Slavery Index Report, over 40,300,000 men, women and children living in 167 countries are victims of modern slavery. They are bought and sold in public markets, forced to marry against their will and provide labour under the guise of "marriage," forced to work inside clandestine factories on the promise of a salary that is often withheld, or on fishing boats where men and boys toil under threats of violence. They are forced to work on construction sites, in stores, on farms, or in homes as maids. Labour extracted through force, coercion, or threats produces some of the food we eat, the clothes we wear, and the footballs we kick. The minerals that men, women, and children have been made to extract from mines find their way into cosmetics, electronics, and cars, among many other products.

This is modern slavery.

In 2018, the 10 countries with the highest prevalence of modern slavery are North Korea, Eritrea, Burundi, the Central African Republic, Afghanistan, Mauritania, South Sudan, Pakistan, Cambodia and Iran.

Three main trends emerged: (1) An analysis of the ten countries with highest prevalence indicates a connection between modern slavery and two major external drivers – highly repressive regimes and conflict. (2) The improved measurement of state-imposed forced labour reveals the substantial impact this form of slavery has on populations. (3) The prevalence of modern slavery in highly developed, high-income countries is higher than previously understood.

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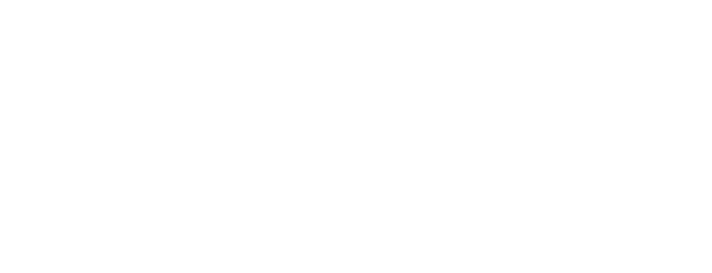


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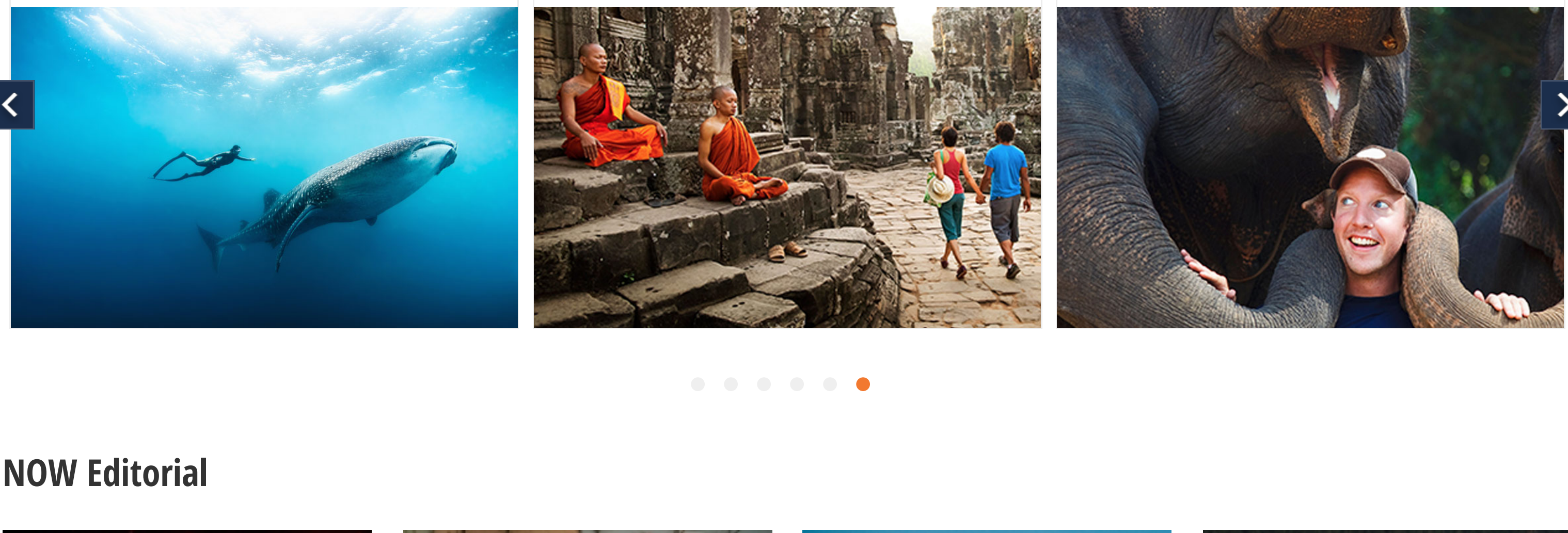
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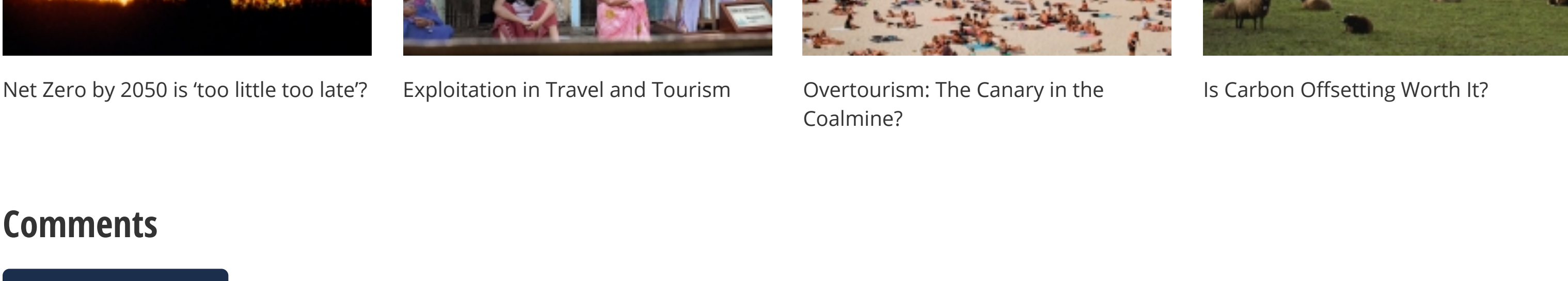
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