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Twelve marine turtles from Sentosa's Underwater World will be released into the South China Sea today for a study on their migratory patterns.

They will be tagged with satellite-tracking devices for this project by the National Institute of Education (NIE), Nanyang Technological University and the United States' National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

The study will shed light on three turtle species. Of the 12, eight are green turtles, two are loggerheads, and the remaining two, Olive Ridley turtles.

The turtles will be released from a container ship north of Indonesia's Natuna island.