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We’re excited to introduce some fascinating new additions to Otters and Others Zoo and Conservation! Please join us in welcoming a flock of Ayam Cemani chickens. Native to Indonesia, this striking all-black breed is known for a rare genetic trait called fibro melanosis, which causes their feathers, skin, beak, eyes, feet, bones—even their internal organs—to be black.

This straight-run group will be fun to observe as they grow, and we can’t wait to see how they develop. While they won’t be on exhibit just yet—we’re still building their coop—keep an eye out over the next couple of weeks. Stay tuned for updates!