

The Rufford Small Grants Foundation

Final Report

Congratulations on the completion of your project that was supported by The Rufford Small Grants Foundation.

We ask all grant recipients to complete a Final Report Form that helps us to gauge the success of our grant giving. The Final Report must be sent in **word format** and not PDF format or any other format. We understand that projects often do not follow the predicted course but knowledge of your experiences is valuable to us and others who may be undertaking similar work. Please be as honest as you can in answering the questions – remember that negative experiences are just as valuable as positive ones if they help others to learn from them.

Please complete the form in English and be as clear and concise as you can. Please note that the information may be edited for clarity. We will ask for further information if required. If you have any other materials produced by the project, particularly a few relevant photographs, please send these to us separately.

Please submit your final report to jane@rufford.org.

Thank you for your help.

Josh Cole, Grants Director

Grant Recipient Details	
Your name	Indah Winarti
Project title	Generating Local Conservation of Javan Slow Lorises (<i>Nycticebus coucang javanicus</i>) in Unprotected Habitat Areas in Tasikmalaya-Ciamis, West Java, Indonesia
RSG reference	Prof. Dr. Hadi S. Alikodra, MS
Reporting period	2008
Amount of grant	£ 4988.22
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Date of this report	2008-10-09

1. Please indicate the level of achievement of the project's original objectives and include any relevant comments on factors affecting this.

Objective	Not achieved	Partially achieved	Fully achieved	Comments
Generate local awareness and identify habitat locations so that these areas can be protected from destruction and conversion			Fully achieved more than expected	It was particularly easy to generate local awareness, and also to identify the habitat, because Sundanese people are basically aware to the nature. They were so eager to know that this unique creature inhabited their village and they loved to know that they no longer need to worry on the mystical of them. It was just impractical to protect the habitat area from destruction and conversion without the legal law or regulation from the local government (kampong/village/district level) because the forest like-habitat was their own garden (we were talking locally here). But yes, with all these awareness, I believe it is possible to do those in the long term in the future.
Train local field assistants to conduct the survey and map the habitat distribution			Surpassed greatly	The second most activity of this project was training local people, not just to conduct the survey but also to support them to do awareness campaign with their own style. It was lovely knowing that they loved to do this training and to play the role in the real activities.
Support local field assistants in creating and publishing awareness materials to encourage conservation of the javan slow loris			Fully achieved	Some of the local people were guided to create the awareness materials. I was so glad to know that the people we (me and my team) met according to the awareness activity were so eager to have had the material as the souvenir to prove that they did aware and protected the Javan slow loris in their area.

2. Please explain any unforeseen difficulties that arose during the project and how these were tackled (if relevant).

Basically there were no such a big obstacles in doing the project. It just there was a point time when our government decided to raise the gasoline price that made the entire stuff prices raised too. I was cut off almost all the target achievement for the five locations such as doing shift work for the field assistant so that we (me and my team) could minimize the team personal, minimized the working day in the five locations to 8 to 10 days per each, lowering the budget for the meals, etc we could do as far as not decreased the main targets. What so ever, I honestly confess that my poor of experience in predicting future budget impact on the whole project to the end. It also impacted on

me to; (1) choose economic but suitable tools rather than good and though ones, (2) minimized the time budget that pushed the team to work in a rush, and also (3) a not good arrangement in managing the data collection and files for being destructed and lost because of force major circumstances. On the third part I have had lost the computer data because of it was suddenly blank and died due to overheating. After some recovery treatment to the hard disk, while analysing the data I again lost my drive, that the hard disk couldn't be recognized and lost. I have had taken a big lesson from those, so that I have a lot of experiences in planning for working and dealing its problems in the future.

3. Briefly describe the three most important outcomes of your project.

As the background of this project, Javan slow loris has been in the position of lack of information and knowledge in their nature that urged us to serve enough data to support a better conservation decision. Competing with those lacks, their illegal trade for pet and destruction-conversion of the habitat have been increasing so fast. Meanwhile Javan slow loris is an uncommon species, even among other primates, for being observed due to its difficulties to be found even when they were in active (sleeping) during the day. For the local people, this cryptic creature almost avoided to be met because of their bad-luck sign myth of the species.

This project result were (1) proved Javan slow loris were inhabit outside protected habitat, which is a forest like-garden, belong to personal owner. In doing the project, we realized that local people; kids, young, and old, were aware and eager to be involved in the conservation action of Javan slow loris. (2) Their pride because of its existing in their village can prevent the species for being killed as because of its myth. (3) The project also supports using on an observation method to identify the loris during their in active time or sleeping in the day. We called it 'scanning'. With some skill and experience, ecologist/primatologist can use the scanning method more fast and reliable to be conducted to surveying some wide area quickly. There are lot of area in Priangan (West Java area) that showed as representative habitat for Javan slow loris. With respect of the needs in the information and knowledge of it in their nature, collecting data on this area is important to do.

4. Briefly describe the involvement of local communities and how they have benefitted from the project (if relevant).

A good conservation action must always involving and benefits local people around habitat so that whenever the legal regulator guard (police and law) were apart, they still in their position in protecting the species. This project was involving the local people, young and old, in the beginning of the project. Not just natural hikers, this local community was also consisted of people which variety of job, university student, and hobbyist of photography and travelling. This variety benefited the conservation of the Javan slow loris, mean time in the scale of those area we have had visited. Until recently we are still working in the community to do awareness campaign and conservation action for the Javan slow loris. We are continuing the awareness activity by managing our weblog <http://kukangjawa.blogspot.com>, <http://javanslowloris.blogspot.com>, and Facebook [Kukang Jawa](#).

5. Are there any plans to continue this work?

Yes, of course. Nowadays, there are still needs of sufficient information and knowledge of Javan slow loris in their nature. We are keeping doing the conservation activity until recently using some blogs and Facebook. I love doing field survey with the support of the local community that has the experience in doing the shortcut method 'scanning'. We done well with this team, I am thinking

about sharing the skill to other community of hikers/naturalist so that we can make some database of slow loris in the wild.

6. How do you plan to share the results of your work with others?

As our blogs and Facebook of kukang jawa (javan slow loris) were existed, we serving people all information about slow loris (not just Javan slow loris) information and conservation and also doing tutorial for field technique and field research on slow loris. People using those media to discuss on the species with us, report on some illegal trade in some places, or interest to confiscate loris (for this we used to bridging to a proper and legal instance that is IAR-Indonesia). We share to others by those media and also by speak to seminar and workshop.

7. Timescale: Over what period was the RSG used? How does this compare to the anticipated or actual length of the project?

The project time was prolonged from the actual length. As we have explained in the point 2 above, unfortunately due to our poor experience we could not anticipated the timescale and decided to prolonged it.

Item	2007						2008												
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1. PREPARATION																			
1.1 Data Collection																			ok
Collecting and analyzing the reported location and deciding location targets to be surveyed (include communication and or fuel and travel expenses)																			ok
Collecting data around location targets: schools to be visited and local youth clubs (naturalist, mount hikers) to be invited and to join the training																			ok
1.2 Awareness material production																			ok
1.3 Visit to schools for public awareness																			
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Preparing the training materials kit for participants (including permit and confirmation to the local people/youth clubs)							
Training on monitoring and surveying slow loris and their habitat (accommodation for training and practice) for @10 local people/youth clubs (5 places)							
Making an agreement (MoU) with the participant on conducting slow loris survey in their places (5 places): administration and legal contract							Not much conducted according to the condition, especially on the field training.
2.2 Habitat surveys							
3. REPORT							
3.1 Data compilation and analysis							On 2009-2010 the data were lost twice, so the data compilation was done manually & slowly.
3.2 Report and publication							

8. Budget: Please provide a breakdown of budgeted versus actual expenditure and the reasons for any differences. All figures should be in £ sterling, indicating the local exchange rate used.

Item	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount	Difference	Comments
1. PREPARATION				
1.1 Data Collection	443.79	422.14	21.65	The activities were optimized by networking: data collected by supporters & voluntary, so that actually it was not presenting the real cost of the activity.
1.2 Awareness material production	257.39	284.05	-26.66	The material production need basic tools of documentation that couldn't be rented, so that the minus mostly because of purchased tools (DSLR camera, half paid by this budget).

1.3 Visit to schools for public awareness	295.86	10.00	285.86	A huge budget saved because the activity cost mostly following the habitat surveys
2. SLOW LORIS SURVEYS				
2.1 Slow loris surveys training	769.24	318.27	450.97	Only two of 7 trainings set as a formal training (indoor tutorial & outdoor practising), almost of it were field training, informal, & following the habitat survey activity so that the cost were decreased.
2.2 Habitat surveys	2817.74	3947.56	-1129.82	Over budget was faced because of the raising price of gasoline that impacted other stuff costs. It was overcome by doing optimal work of the effective working day & paid by personal budget.
3. REPORT				
3.1 Data compilation and analysis	177.51	89.94	87.57	As the data collection activity, this activity also optimized by all team & networking. Not much cost paid by the budget.
3.2 Report and publication	236.68	318.45	-81.77	As the accident of losing data in the broken hard disk & laptop, this budget activity were increased mainly because of service needs & prolonging of the time.
TOTAL	4998.21	5390.42	-392.21	The huge minus (increasing cost) mainly due to raising of the gasoline price that impacted other cost. It was also because of the purchasing camera to take a good documentation/picture of the best picture for the awareness material production needs, & also due to accident of the broken hard disk & laptop.

RATE of £ was 16,800 Rupiahs

9. Looking ahead, what do you feel are the important next steps?

Based on, again, the need of the information on the knowledge of Javan slow loris especially and loris as mainly, the field research on this cryptic species should be conducted in the short period compete with the speed of the habitat destruction and conversion & hunting for trading. I am thinking on networking work of the researchers that have concern on this species, who are still only a few ones. Biology/forestry student should be encouraged to conduct the field research with the guide of our experience. Generally I would like to propose the scanning method that is one outcome of this project to be applied to survey the area that has been report as loris distribution habitat. Some national collaboration will be needed to supervise the compilation and distribution of the data.

10. Did you use the RSGF logo in any materials produced in relation to this project? Did the RSGF receive any publicity during the course of your work?

Yes, all the materials were applied by RSGF logo. Here I attached all the materials files. We have made the materials for awareness campaign in the project site and keep continuing reproduce it by

printing it whenever needed. We put it on our awareness our online media so that people can read, have, and print it whenever need it.

11. Any other comments?

I am very sorry and asking for apologize from RSGF committee for the very late in submitting the report. Those unforeseen difficulties were explained in the point 2 as the main causes. I myself feel very sorry and confess my mistakes on this. I take it as the lesson to be anticipated in the future. I hope RSGF receive my regret on this. Despite my situation at the time of the report, RSGF had faith in me and gave me this chance to help slow loris conservation. I am very grateful! As you may see on my weblog, we still do the activity to conserve our slow loris. I do hope I will still can do more.