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During 3rd quarter months, no attempt was made by elephants to enter croplands. All information were indicated that elephants were occurred inside the forest where food were abundance.

I had monitored regularly the activities of villagers, such as crop selection, planting, preparation to protect crops from raiding by elephants. According to the decisions of training-workshop, most of the villagers tried to plant crops such as sesame, peanuts, etc.; which are not favor by elephant. But I found that some people would like to plant sugarcane again in one village because the number of elephants was reduced since capture operation by Ministry of Forestry in February.

However, the leaders of communities tried to follow the action plan mentioning what they have to do. Therefore the preparation activities to protect crops from raiding by elephants were completely conducted during this period.