

Project Update: March 2013

The Toebay Rongchhu stream watershed area is being surveyed from the latter part of October 2012 and will be surveyed till August 2013. Survey time from 20th October 2012 to 26th March 2013 resulted in nine species: *Diplacodes trivialis*, *Palpopleura sexmaculata*, *Trithemis festiva*, *Orthetrum sabina*, *O. luzonicum*, *O. pruinosum*, *O. triangularis*, and *Crocothemis servilia* belonging to Family Libellulidae; *Ischnura aurora* to Family Coenagrionidae.

Larvae of odonata belonging to Families Libellulidae, Aeshnidae, Gomphidae, Euphaeidae, Synlestidae and Coenagrionidae were collected during the study.

The headwaters of Toebay Rongchhu stream are being used as sources for drinking water and irrigation channels for paddy fields. Human settlements along the stream courses and grazing by cattle along stream banks and extraction of timber for household use are some prominent threats to habitat conservation.

