

## **Project Update: November 2012**

The data on the floricans' non-breeding season habitat preferences have been collected. Primary analysis has been carried out which has revealed some new and very interesting relationships. This new information has been passed to Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS) Cambodia and has been directly used in a recent international 2-day conference where the future action plan for the Bengal florican was created. Further analysis and collation of these findings with those from Packman's (2011) research is to be undertaken. This information will be incorporated into a scientific paper which will be submitted for publication.

As the main spending for the project has finished it is clear that there will be money left over. We managed to find some ways to cut costs, including the accommodation. However, I wanted to make it clear that I could not have brought in another field assistant without your funding and that made a big difference in the amount of data we collected and consequently the strength of the results.

I have just recently been employed to work with WCS on a range of projects including work on the floricans. Being in this position I will be able to oversee how this new information is fed directly into the WCS florican project. It is also likely that in the future the two field assistants, who were students at the time, will be employed by WCS.