

### **Project Update: July 2013**

We are now preparing permits from our office (Bali Botanical Garden) for field trip to Mount Merapi in late August 2013.

On 22nd July 2013, Mt. Merapi had a small scale eruption. The eruption creates small scale pyroclastic flows, which spread volcanic ashes as far as 14 km from its summit to the surrounding areas including Jogjakarta Province. However the status of the volcano is still in active normal 1. Authority in Jogjakarta prepare for what usually characteristic of Merapi, which tends to experience medium scale eruption every 4-5 years. If 2010 was the last recorded catastrophic eruption then it is predicted that in 2014 Merapi will repeat the cycle.

In other occasion, we have done our revision on the *Journal of Tropical Forest Management* on Mt. Merapi topic its establishment following the 2010 eruption. The paper will be officially published in the journal in August 2013, here it is attached in the email.