

Project Update: September 2013

The past month or so has been tumultuous for the Darjeeling Hills with the revival of the age-old demand for regional autonomy through statehood with the hills totally closed for more than a month. We managed to continue some basic data collection at the community level but could not get into activities beyond that. We hope to recover with concerted efforts the time lost in the past month. For your reference <http://india.blogs.nytimes.com/2013/08/08/the-battles-for-gorkhaland/? r=1> is a good read about the movement.

Our draft website is live once again but a few tweaks are still needed and we are hoping to do it in the coming days: www.darjeelingprerna.org



Left: Vegetative stock for bio-fence. Right: Strengthening old barbed wire fence for bio-fence.



Bio-fence strengthened