

Project Update: September 2016

The following has been achieved:

1. Camera trap data from the long-term monitoring of predator-prey dynamics study in Royal Manas National Park has been acquired and the data have been sorted out. Camera trap stations (henceforth known as habitats) where the clouded leopard are observed have been noted down along with its GPS locations. We were able to identify a total of 17 areas within the park.
2. The Principal Investigator arranged a meeting with the Park Manager and Head, Research Section, Royal Manas National Park and discussed upon the scope of the study. Help was sought in terms of identifying villages or any other temporary settlements near the clouded leopard habitats.



A couple of villages were identified and the team made its first trip to these areas. Discussions were done with the villagers on some of the ongoing developmental activities in the areas. Wherever possible, photographs were taken and the activities were noted down. However, due to incessant rain, many of the areas were inaccessible. We hope to resume our field work once the weather becomes better and roads pliable.

