

Project Update: July 2014

The field research/data collection was started in the first week of April 2014. The methodology is stratified random sampling, GRADSECT or Gradient oriented transects. It is been deployed at every interval of 50 m rise or fall in altitude. The direction and distance of plot has been selected through randomly generated number (Microsoft excel) 1-100 m for distance and 1-360 degree for direction.

The data collection was started from the north-east parts of the study area. A total of 50 plots were surveyed. Because of the Bamboo flowering affect some species of Bamboo are still dying but in some places regeneration has reached a height of 30 cm – 1 m. The south-west parts of study area would be positively covered before end November 2014. Two months time will be utilised for report writing and publication.



Left: Red panda scats encountered during survey. Right: Data collection in process