

Project Update: May 2015

Conservation of endangered species of conifers in Xuan Nha Nature Reserve

In December 2014, the third seminar of the Conifer Conservation Club has been held in Kho Hong village, Chieng Xuan commune, Van Ho district (Son La province) to train and guide the club's members setting up a community nursery. A nursery of 15 m² has been established from local materials (bamboos) for fencing, shading and making beds.

In March 2015, the fourth seminar of the Conifer Conservation Club has been held in Kho Hong village to train and practice pine seed sowing. 1,000 seeds of *Pinus armandii* were sown on the beds in the nursery.

In April 2015, the fifth seminar of the Conifer Conservation Club has been held in Kho Hong village to train and practice seedling transplanting and care. A plan for the next activities of the club was also discussed and agreed in which the Club member will go on a study tour to a nursery in Moc Chau town and conduct field survey/monitoring of the populations of *Cunninghamia konishii* and *Amentotaxus*.



Left: Processing collected fruits of *Pinus armandii*. Right: Conifer Conservation Club in the newly established nursery.



Transplanting seedlings of *Pinus armandii*.