

## **Project Update: June 2016**

**Research:** Study area was divided into 4 X 4 km grids and a total of 22 transects were marked and walked. The point transects were marked using stratified random to avoid bias. For identifying various warbler species, calls were recorded from December to April and were analysed and identified. Nocturnal survey was done in all the three seasons.

**Awareness:** Six month module was created by a team of experts to carry out awareness activity in the villages in and around the sanctuary. Meeting with local conservationist was also carried out to have a better understanding of the situation and local's perspective in the matter.

**Generating alternative livelihood:** We were able to convince one household each in all the five ranges for the homestay concept. To promote the area as bird sanctuary, an additional event called 'Dangs Bird Festival' was organised.



Participants interacting during Dangs Bird Festival event over a cup of tea



Forest staff during clearing and marking of transect points



Local flaunting his catapult which he has used to hunt birds all his life. Photo by Vandana vishwanath.