

Project Update: March 2016

The dry season in Pandam Wildlife Park is between November and May each year and between November 2015 and March 2016, data were collected from five transects of 2000 m long each in this season. Bird breeding activities, cattle grazing and poaching activities were recorded along the transects; prominent among bird breeding activities were nesting of *Ptilopachus petrosus* and *Vanellus spinosus*, also a record of more than 20 nesting grounds of some water birds. Three active nests of *Ptilopachus petrosus* and one of *Vanellus spinosus* were recorded, however, none of the eggs survived till hatching, these were most likely poached or predated by other animals. Three grazing camps were recorded and four poachers were encountered.



Eggs of *Ptilopachus petrosus*



Eggs of *Vanellus spinosus*



Above: A poacher sighted coming from PWLP. Below: Cattle grazed land with droppings

