

Project Update: July 2016

As per the project proposal, I was supposed to carry out four field visits. This is the second field visit that I have carried out for the period June-August (summer visit - see attached image). Using Arc GIS 10.2.2, the study area was classified into three representative types of vegetation: mixed conifer forest, cool broadleaf forest and Chirpine forest (see attached pdf file-fig. a-c). More than 10 different species belonging to different families were collected (see attached pdf file- few collected specimens. fig.1-6). Some of the common species were identified but a few species were yet to be identified with the help of a coleopterist from Naturalis Biodiversity Centre, The Netherlands and literature. With regards to sack rearing, a total of six dead wood stumps were collected from three representative vegetation types (20-25 cm diameter, 50 cm long). The collection of specimens for rearing will be most probably presented in next or following progress report.





Figs 1-6: Some of the saproxylic beetles species collected during second field visit



Fig a-c: Mixed Conifer forest, Cool Broadleaf forest & Chirpine forest respectively

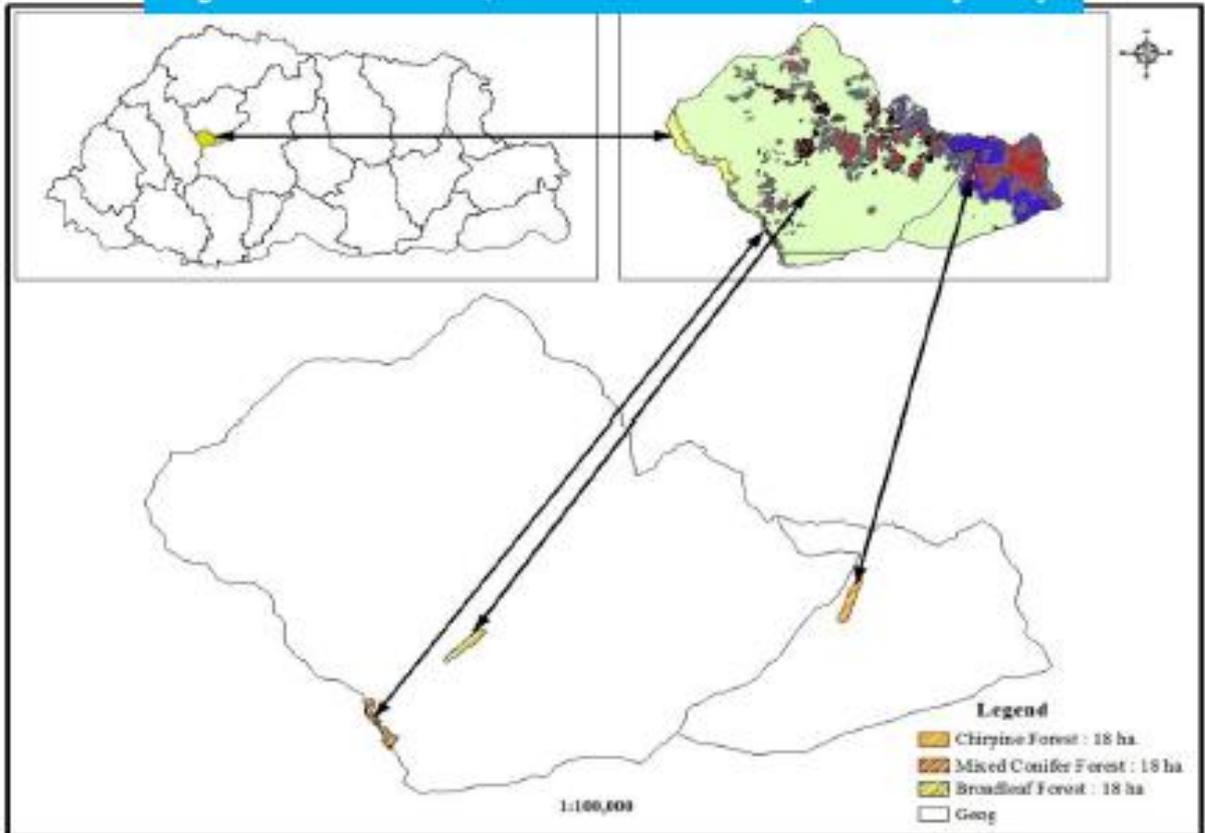


Fig: Study Map