

Project Update: May 2008

The first phase of the RSG project was publication part which is now nearly completed. As mentioned in previous update, we are in the process of finalizing the first issue of the journal entitled 'Our Wetlands'. We have been collecting and reviewing articles from various authors regarding wetland issues. The encouraging words and support from our well-wishers have raised our motivation to bring this first issue among general public effectively.

Now we have been preparing for second phase of the project: Institution Formation and Capacity Building. The team of Wetland Friends of Nepal (WFN) have rented a small room in Pokhara to carryout day to day official activities of the project. It has created a base for linkaging with other stakeholders and carrying out in-house meetings and discussion. Further, we have categorized our committee in three categories: a. professional staffs, b. research committee and c. volunteers. We are further planning to extend our committee for local community as well. Regular meetings have been scheduled and ongoing. In this manner, this project has been helping to empower the WFN team members who have been implementing several activities in the field as well. We hope that this support will enhance their working environment to deliver service to meet the project goals.