

Project Update: July 2017

As our plan, we have conducted 2 days of training of SMART (Spatial Monitoring and Reporting Tool) patrolling and GIS (Geographic Information System) at Unit Conservation Office, Siklesh, Nepal. In the training, 16 people participated. Among them were four officers and the remaining were rangers of ACA. The training was especially focused on SMART patrolling and GIS application for musk deer conservation. On the first day of the training, we trained them about SMART patrolling and second day we trained them GIS. This programme was organised in April, 2017



Participants of SMART and GIS training, Siklesh



Rangers and officers participating in the training



Rangers practicing GIS



GIS expert training the participants



Rangers trying to use GIS software



Participants in SMART and GIS training

We organised the training of the local conservation area management committee about camera trapping and GPS. This training programme was conducted at Nysheang valley of ACA. Local people prepared the participatory map and patrolled the forest using GPS with the help of ranger, Bishnu Prasad Poudel. Training was organised in three sites of Nysheang valley; at each site 2 days of training was provided. This training and patrolling programme was conducted in May and June 2017. We bought two trail cameras and one GPS. These instruments were distributed to Pisang Conservation Area Management Committee, which is also pilot site of our project and having largest forest area of Nysheang valley where we found more number of musk deer. In Pisang, we found a lot of snares (<http://kantipur.ekantipur.com/news/2016-08-19/20160819135953.html>).



GPS and Camera Trapping training in Pisang



Training to Manang Conservation Area Management Committee



One GPS and two trail cameras



Technology transfer; Distribution of GPS and Trail Cameras to Pisang Conservation Area Management Committee, in Nysheang valley



Distribution of patrolling materials to Conservation Area Management Committee



Practicing Trail Camera by President of Pisang Conservation Area Management Committee



Forest patrolling by local people



Collection of removed snare form Pisang jungle at the SMART forest patrolling time