

Project Update: February 2019

The Department of National Park and Wildlife Conservation instructed us to initiate the 'Owl Conservation Action Plan' on 1th September, 2018. Due to least concern species under IUCN, it took time for the decision. The government also instructed us to prepare a draft in collaboration with organisations and individuals working on bird research and conservation in the country. After getting the approval, our team recently completed drafting the action plan and send for preliminary comments to the individuals and organisation, however comments received from the following only,

1. Bird Conservation Nepal (leading organization working on bird research and conservation in Nepal).
2. Prasanna Yonzon, Wildlife Conservation Nepal (organisation working on trade of wildlife in Nepal).
3. Bishal Gautam, photographer and wildlife enthusiast.
4. Hari Sharma PhD, Associate Professor, Tribhuvan University.
5. Carol Inskipp, ornithologist.
6. Hem Sagar Baral PhD (Country Manager, Nepal, Zoological Society of London).
7. Suman Ghimire, bird researcher.

Recently, the government is drafting TOR to initiate the official process for the action plan. After signing the TOR, a formal team from the government will be formulated and the process will be initiated.