

Project Update: August 2018

I am pleased to inform you that we have about to completed the nest survey (both existing and previous nests) of globally endangered Pallas's fish eagle in Sunamganj district of Bangladesh.

Out of our five objectives we have completed two objectives and that is Nest Survey and monitoring the breeding success of Pallas's fish eagle in Sunamganj district in Bangladesh.

So far we got 21 nests in Sunamganj district and 51 old nests which has been disappeared in last 15 – 20 years although the survey is still not complete because in a recent field visit I have also found from local people that some new nests of Pallas's fish eagle still exist and we will do it in the upcoming winter when the Pallas's fish eagle will come again this winter (according to local people the exact date is 13th Vadro in our native calendar that means 28th August). About the breeding success 26 chicks successfully fledged out of 21 pairs including one pair with three chicks.

The study area is become full of water in the rainy season of this year now and the whole area become as an inland sea. We couldn't do our awareness programme at all because of the entrance of water in the Haor basin in the third week of May and that's why we want to do our awareness programme in the upcoming winter of this year when the area become dry and maximum people can participate our programme.

Next I am pleased to inform that I am preparing to publish our first paper titled Nest Survey and Breeding Success of Pallas's Fish Eagle in Sunamganj District in Bangladesh in the journal of FORKTAIL of Oriental Bird Club (OBC), UK. I have about to complete the draft and also doing the draft for the report of Rufford Foundation.



