

### Executive Summary of the Project

Birds are one of the main drivers of ecosystem services with social and cultural significance. In Nepal more conservation activities are practised inside the protected areas, however, the current practice doesn't support bird conservation outside the protected areas. Therefore, I aim to find the farmer's existing knowledge and their attitudes towards farmland bird conservation outside the protected areas of Nepal. In addition, the result of this study and the activities such as conservation education programmes to farmers and school children will encourage the newly established local government to develop eco-friendly policies for long-term bird conservation in Nepal.

### Project Activities Report II (Till April 2019)

#### Bushmeat consumption and hunting survey

Bird bushmeat hunting and consumption practices were surveyed within six districts of Province No. 2. Locally people call it as *Bagedi* eating. For this, major hotspots for *Bagedi* hunting and consumption were identified as Chandranigapur, Gaur, Barathwa, Malangwa, Bardibas, Dhalkebar, Mahendranagar, Janakpur, Lahan, Rajbiraj, and Mirchaya cities. Separate questionnaires were designed for hunters, hoteliers, middleman and customers to evaluate the bird hunting and consumption trade scenario. Snowball sampling process was being used for this survey. I used local assistants from each cities to interview about *Bagedi* hunting and trade. As it takes time for people to cope with this kind of research, this survey is still going on and hopefully it will complete by the end of June 2019.

#### Preparation of awareness materials

One level of awareness programmes were conducted during the semi-structured interviews conducted in November and December 2018. So for additional awareness programmes, posters and leaflets (brochures) were printed. I printed 1000 posters and 1000 leaflets. All the materials were prepared in Nepali languages and few lines in English as well. This awareness materials will used during awareness activities/programmes that will be conducted in May 2019. Awareness programmes will be done in coordination with the local partners.

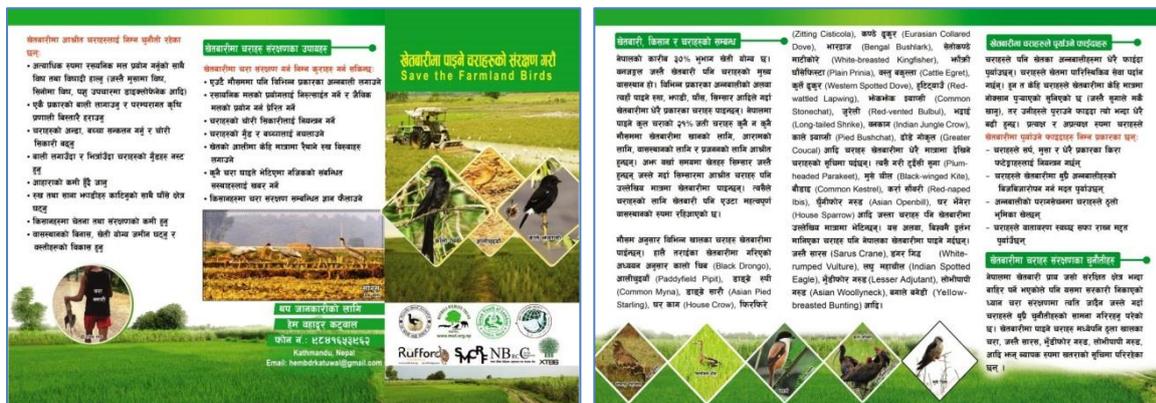


Fig.1 - Leaflet prepared in Nepali language for awareness program

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## Save the Globally Threatened Farmland Birds

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Note: CR-Critically Endangered (जति संस्करणमा), EN-Endangered (संकटग्रस्त), VU-Vulnerable (सिधैरुपमा),  
 NT-Near Threatened (किताबी नजिक), V-Vagrant (एकमात्र), DD-Data Deficient (सिम्बलक अभाव)

■ Global Status

■ National Status

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Fig. 2 - Poster prepared for awareness program

### Works to completed in 2019

- Data management of the Bagedi hunting survey.
- Additional awareness activities.
- Overall data analysis.
- Result sharing meeting.
- Final report.
- Manuscript preparation.