Project Update: October 2019

Project Duration: May 2019 to June 2020

A. Completed activities:

1. Procurement of scat collection kits

I have purchased scat collection kits such as ziplock plastic bags, DNA kits, hand gloves, hand sanitisers, scat collection forceps, scat collection vials, and alcohol for preservation of fresh scats.



2. Training of field staff

I have trained five staff from each of Soe Park Range, Lingzhi Park, Laya Park Range and Lunana Park Range under Jigme Dorji National Park on dhole and snow leopard scat identification and collection. I have also distributed the scat collection kits after the training.



B. On-going activities:

1. Scat collection

After the training, the field staff were instructed to collect a minimum of 30 dhole and 30 snow leopard scats from their respective jurisdictions. So far, we have collected 78 scats of snow leopard and 46 of dhole. The scat collection will continue till the end of December 2019.

