Project Update: August 2021

Activities:

In August 2021, more effort was put in manuscript preparation (Figure 7 and 8). Manuscript was sent to the *International Dragonfly Fund (IDF) Report* for publication. There was a field trip to Omo forest reserve to observe species of dragonfly.

Rationale:

Publication in a credible journal such as *IDF Report* will bring the public to the knowledge of the work done. Also, prospective researchers can learn and make reference to the work.

Photos of dragonfly taken will be used as a guide for identification which will help future odonataologist to know the species.

Result:

The manuscript was sent back from the editor of *IDF Report* with some comments. It was edited according to the observations of the reviewers and returned back to the editor who acknowledged receipt.

15 photos of dragonfly species were taken some of which are Acisoma inflatum, Chalcostephia flavifrons, Ceriagrion glabrum, Tholymis tillarga, (Figure 2 - 5) etc.



Figure 1. Ekpah Ojonugwa sampling dragonfly species at Erin camp, Omo forest reserve, Nigeria. ©Okada man



Figure 2. Acisoma inflatum. ©Ekpah Ojonugwa



Figure 3. Chalcostephia flavifrons ©Ekpah Ojonugwa



Figure 5. Ceriagrion glabrum ©Ekpah Ojonugwa



Figure 6. Tholymis tillarga ©Ekpah Ojonugwa

Records of Odonata from two Western Nigeria rainforests, with a record of the rare *Ceriagrion citrinum* Campion, 1914

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Abstract

A survey of Odonata was carried out in two tropical rainforest habitats in Nigeria with focus on the endangered damselfly *Ceriagrion citrinum* Campion, 1914. Omo Forest Reserve (OMO) and Igele Sunmoge Village (ISV) in Ogun State were sampled. A total of 163 individuals of Odonata representing 37 species and 5 families were recorded, including 12 individuals of *C. citrinum* at ISV. A brief note on the conservation status and ecology of the endangered *C. citrinum* in Nigeria is given. While OMO is a protected forest managed by the government, ISV is heavily impacted by human activities and conservation education focusing on the iconic *C. citrinum* was therefore provided to local residents. Dragonfly perception by the residents of Sunmoge village is briefly outlined.

Keywords: Ceriagrion, Odonata, oviposition, rainforest, anthropogenic disturbance, conservation

Figure 7. Manuscript title page

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Figure 8. Manuscript Acknowledgement page.

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