

## Project Update: December 2008

In May and June 2008 we conducted a rapid biodiversity conservation seminar and fieldwork in 6 schools due to the short period of breeding season of birds in the forests. In July 2008, a bird club was organized at the Jashil Kol School in Arstanbap. Furthermore, there was a workshop from 8th to 11th July for bird club participants from each school in order to give a deeper knowledge for students from theoretical and practical point of view. The students were very motivated and actively participated during the workshop, even though at that time all schools were closed for a summer vacation. In addition, a participatory video was taken by the students on the project implementation activities and involvement of local people in biodiversity conservation. In September/October 2008 we again visited each school and discussed further activities. At this time we are working on dissemination of information among the local communities.

