

Project Update: November 2009

The project team has made two site visits and discussed the concept of the project with the local elites and key leader farmers. With the help of the leader farmers we organized a meeting at the project site and selected two local CBOs namely 'Bio-resources Conservation Movement' and 'Piple Women Group' as partners in the project. Then we organized training cum workshop among CBO members on composting and organic pesticide preparation.

We documented the indigenous knowledge of local farmers on preparation of compost and bio-pesticides and their attitude on water hyacinth. A participatory action plan for the completion of the project was also formulated during the training cum workshop. The location for the experiment is selected in the outlet area of Rupa Lake. We are also preparing the informative leaflet on the invasive water hyacinth in local (Nepalese) language which will be published soon.