

Project Update: September 2009

A meeting of the project team was organised in the office of AOS in May 2009. The International Imperial Eagle Group was informed. 10 binoculars were purchased for distribution between local people.

One possible nest of imperial eagle was found in the foothill forests at 631 m in the Ismaili district. According to local people, an additional 3-4 pairs have nested in the same forest. We plan to organise the main part of the research for finding new nests in March-April 2010.

Meeting and discussions with local people were organized in the villages of Khanagakh and Lagich.

From 1-6 July 2009 a monitoring expedition in the Goychay, Aghdash and Gabala districts was organised. The results of the monitoring highlighted 14 known and three new nests. Six of the known nests were empty. Each nest had from one to three chicks as a rule, two aged from 6-7 to 9-10 weeks. The food of chicks and adults included hedgehog, grass lizard, hare, magpie, chickens, small passerine birds, wood pigeon etc. During research and monitoring work, four new nests were found, and 14 known nests were monitored for breeding success.



Left: Chick just before fledging. Right: Discussion with local people at Ismayilli district.