

The Rufford Small Grants Foundation

Final Report

Congratulations on the completion of your project that was supported by The Rufford Small Grants Foundation.

We ask all grant recipients to complete a Final Report Form that helps us to gauge the success of our grant giving. The Final Report must be sent in **word format** and not PDF format or any other format. We understand that projects often do not follow the predicted course but knowledge of your experiences is valuable to us and others who may be undertaking similar work. Please be as honest as you can in answering the questions – remember that negative experiences are just as valuable as positive ones if they help others to learn from them.

Please complete the form in English and be as clear and concise as you can. Please note that the information may be edited for clarity. We will ask for further information if required. If you have any other materials produced by the project, particularly a few relevant photographs, please send these to us separately.

Please submit your final report to jane@rufford.org.

Thank you for your help.

Josh Cole, Grants Director

Grant Recipient Details

Your name	Hoang Van Sam
Project title	Gymnosperm conservation at Hoang Lien National Park, Vietnam
RSG reference	8967-2
Reporting period	November 2010 to November 2011
Amount of grant	£6000
Your email address	hsamfuv@yahoo.com
Date of this report	6 November 2011

1. Please indicate the level of achievement of the project's original objectives and include any relevant comments on factors affecting this.

Objective	Not achieved	Partially achieved	Fully achieved	Comments
The list of all gymnosperm species in Hoang Lien National Park			x	
Description all gymnosperm species in Hoang Lien National Park in order to identify			x	
To provide information of ecology, habitat, population and distribution of all gymnosperm species in Hoang Lien National Park			x	
Information of threatened situation in local area (for conservation purposes)			x	
Increase awareness of staff of the park and local ethnic minority people in Hoang Lien National Park on conservation of this area in particular and in Vietnam in general			x	
To provide dry specimens for the herbarium of the Vietnam Forest University, those materials can be used for teaching and studying by lecturers, researchers and students at the Vietnam Forest University.			x	This outcome is not including in the original in the project. However as conservationist we collect and make specimens not only for good result of the project but also very good change for our students to study specimens in the highest mountain of Indochina
Training for students and young lecturers at the Vietnam Forestry University			x	This outcome I really excited, because students they really interested on studying gymnosperm species in the highest mountain in Indochina

2. Please explain any unforeseen difficulties that arose during the project and how these were tackled (if relevant).

Hoang Lien National Park is the highest mountain in Indochina, we have known that before, but it was really difficult to carry out fieldwork, especially some area in high elevation

3. Briefly describe the three most important outcomes of your project.

Listed and described all gymnosperm species in Hoang Lien National Park (result of the project, maybe has more species that we have not found) include pictures and specimens.
Provided information of ecology, habitat, population and distribution of all gymnosperm species in Hoang Lien National Park.

Trained students and young lecturers of the Vietnam Forestry University on conservation of gymnosperm species.

4. Briefly describe the involvement of local communities and how they have benefitted from the project (if relevant).

Local people in Hoang Lien National Park were involved in the project. They went with us to the field, shown us where gymnosperm species occur and shared knowledge of those species on habitat, regeneration and conservation.

Benefit that local people receive from project:

Their awareness on conservation of gymnosperm species is increase when they work with us. We told them the significant important of protect and develop those species.

5. Are there any plans to continue this work?

I would like very much to continue this project to study all endangered species in Hoang Lien National Park, especially timer tree species.

I will apply for Booster Grant RSG to carry out the wonderful project that I thought not only important for Hoang Lien National Park, but also signification contribution for plants conservation in Vietnam and worldwide.

6. How do you plan to share the results of your work with others?

I have shared this study to my colleagues and students at the Vietnam Forestry University and other institutes.

I had shared my knowledge from this project to participants in international conference on global threatened species in Indochina.

I have trained 4 students on conservation of gymnosperm species in Hoang Lien National Park.

7. Timescale: Over what period was the RSG used? How does this compare to the anticipated or actual length of the project?

The timescale in the proposal of the project fix with actual length of the project.

8. Budget: Please provide a breakdown of budgeted versus actual expenditure and the reasons for any differences. All figures should be in £ sterling, indicating the local exchange rate used.

Item	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount	Difference	Comments
Medical supplies	100	100	0	
GPS	100	100	0	
Food and supplies field inventory and interview for 3 researchers	2000	2200	0	
Food and supplies field inventory and interview for 2 assistants	900	900	0	
Transport between Hanoi and Hoang Lien National Park	200	200	0	
Local transportation	500	500	0	
Digital camera	330	330		
Binoculars	70	70	0	
Fax, telephone, post, internet, literature and other 'small' items	200	200	0	
Exsitu conservation activities	500	500	0	
Collecting, making and Identifying specimens.	500	500	0	
Processing data and Writing report	400	400	0	
Total	6000	6000		

9. Looking ahead, what do you feel are the important next steps?

More activities need to carry out on conservation of threatened species in Hoang Lien National Park. During field work we found many more species are endangered not only in Vietnam but also globally.

10. Did you use the RSGF logo in any materials produced in relation to this project? Did the RSGF receive any publicity during the course of your work?

I had presented this study to my colleagues at the Vietnam Forestry University with logo of RSG in my presentation.

My colleagues and students at the Vietnam Forestry University all know that this project was supported by RSG.

Staff and local people in Hoang Lien National Park also known this project were funded by RSG.

11. Any other comments?

RSG funded this project is not only useful for Hoang Lien National Park and Vietnam on conservation of gymnosperm species, but also very useful for me, young lecturers and students of the Vietnam Forestry University to increase our capacity on research.