

## The Rufford Small Grants Foundation

### Final Report

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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. 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. 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](mailto:jane@rufford.org).

Thank you for your help.

**Josh Cole, Grants Director**

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Grant Recipient Details	
<b>Your name</b>	Benjamin Hayes
<b>Project title</b>	A biodiversity survey of Phnom Kulen National Park: integrating conservation and community development.
<b>RSG reference</b>	11488-1
<b>Reporting period</b>	April-June 2013
<b>Amount of grant</b>	£5900
<b>Your email address</b>	<a href="mailto:ben@isac-cambodia.org">ben@isac-cambodia.org</a>
<b>Date of this report</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> June 2013

**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
Baseline surveys of birds and mammals			yes	
Mapping of forest cover and vegetation types			yes	
Capacity building		yes		Rangers not fully trained in GPS use- but more improved in data collection and mammal ids.
Botanical survey			yes	
Understanding threats			yes	
Contributing towards future management plans		yes		Full report yet to be submitted to MoE and relevant partners
Assisting with alternative livelihoods		yes		Full report yet to be submitted to MoE and relevant partners

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

No unforeseen difficulties arose apart from going over budget slightly though this was tackled by self finance to meet the difference.

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

-Has helped highlight and gain an understanding of the conservation value of PKNP as well as gain a better understanding of the threats posed.

-Has helped develop recommendations to deal with threats and a zoning plan for future management plus given assistance to future proposals dealing with conservation and livelihoods in PKNP.

-Has helped develop local capacity and relations with the park authorities.

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

Local guides and local transport were employed when ever possible and food and basic field equipment was sourced as locally as possible.

**5. Are there any plans to continue this work?**

Yes, have recently been awarded part funding from MBZ species conservation fund to survey status and distribution of primates with in PKNP which would not have been possible without the results gained from Rufford.

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

A full report in English and Khmer will be distributed to all relevant parties and partners working in Siem Reap province plus the Ministry of Environment Cambodia. In addition international Conservation NGOs working in Cambodia will receive a copy of final report.

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

The RSG grant was used for over 7 month's field work, 2 months write up and 1 month preparation. Total 10 months which was approximately the anticipated project length.

## 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 \$1.56- £1.00 exchange rate
Botanist	2500	2243.5	-256.5	
Mammologist	1500	4711	+3211	Included mammologist coordinator for 7 months plus field assistant
GIS/ herpetology	1700	1026	-674	
Camera traps	1000	800	-200	Four traps were bought plus others borrowed from project partners.
Food and per diems	1000	1641	+641	
Local transport	400	609	+209	
Mist nets	300	0	-300	Were donated for free
Report writing/ translation	400	385	-15	
Field equipment	200	407	+207	
Ornithologist	1200	0	-1200	Data was collected from historical records and volunteer field time from experts.
Communications	100	134	+34	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10'300</b>	<b>11'956.5</b>		

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

The next important steps are to further fundraise for alternative livelihood work with communities living within the park especially regards agro forestry and to follow up on further surveys on key species encountered.

**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?**

The RSGF logo has not been used yet since the reports have not been circulated nor finalised. The RSGF received verbal and written acknowledgment for their contribution in preliminary draft reports and meetings.

The reports have not been circulated yet but the RSGF logo will be used on all reports plus verbal and written acknowledgment has been made to RSGF to date. Once the final report is complete a small press release is planned which will also acknowledge RSGF.