## **Project Update: April 2013**

As part of the ongoing outreach and integration of communities in the protection of natural forest reserve Bururi a great job of environmental education focused on the biology and behavior of chimpanzees and their socio-economic importance through the promotion of ecotourism. In fact, the chimpanzee is the flagship species of the natural forest reserve of Bururi. This environmental education was followed by the tracking of chimpanzees in the forest by the youth. It was an opportunity to combine theory with practice by giving a chance to young people to observe chimpanzees live in their natural habitat and see the possibilities to promote ecotourism based on the observation of chimpanzees. Another important activity was the animation of a 30-minute programme focuses on the lives of chimpanzees and promotion of ecotourism to improve the living conditions of populations.

This all-round education is that the rich biodiversity of the natural forest reserve of Bururi is in all official speeches of the authorities of the province of Bururi.

A consultation with the territorial administration has begun to prepare the opened week in the natural forest reserve of Bururi which will be held in June 2013.

