Project Update: November 2015

As part of my work documenting the ethnobotanical knowledge of the people of Deurali, a Tamang village in the mid-hills of central Nepal, I made a short field trip there on 13th October 2015. I renewed my contacts with the villagers as some of them had already forgotten me because of my long absence from the area. I spoke with about 15 people regarding my plan to form a village level conservation committee, organising knowledge exchange programmes and finally publishing an ethnobotanical book. The local people were seen very happy and supportive of this idea. I plan to start forming a committee and organise first knowledge exchange programme from mid-November 2015.



Left: Deurali after the earthquake. Right: Temporary house after the earthquake.



Left: Documenting ethnobotanical knowledge while other villagers are getting vegetables ready for sale. Right: Documenting ethnobotanical knowledge.



Left: Identifying local name of a medicinal plant. Right: Pine trees with prayer flags.