Project Update: March 2019

Duration - December-February 2019

The Indian spotted eagle (Aquila hastata) project researchers observed post-breeding behaviours of independent juveniles, also interaction between adults and juveniles at nesting sites during this period (December-February).

No eagle found at regular nesting sites in central, north and north-east Bangladesh. However, three different possible breeding pairs sighted opportunistically in three different new locations.

On 17 December 2018 at 13.20 two adults were seen perched on a harvested paddy filed at Chokoria, Cox'sbazar district in south-east Bangladesh. Two birds perched c.300 m apart.

On 10 January 2019 at 08.30 two adults were spotted on a harvested paddy field at Velu Miar char, near the bank of Tetulia River in Bhola district in southern Bangladesh. On 23 January 2019 at 12.10 two adults were seen soaring over an agricultural land at Barhatta, Netrokona district in eastern part of Bangladesh.

Nest search survey will be carried out at these three new locations during the upcoming breeding season.