Project Update: May 2016

The fieldwork was conducted from January to April 2016. We managed to survey 10 randomly selected study villages; in each village we interviewed at least 50 households. So far we have done a total of 533 households. Additionally, we conducted focus group discussions (FGDs) in six out of 10 study villages. In each of the FGD villages we carried out two separate FGDs for men and women, each group consisting of four to eight participants. We used various techniques to glean information relevant to our study; for example, we used unmatched count technique (UCT) to quantify wildlife poaching, logging, fishing and honey hunting. In addition, we used the basic necessity survey technique (BNS) to quantify wealth, as well as diverse sets of direct attitudinal questions. We are now entering this information into Excel, and then relevant statistical analysis will be carried out in June, 2016 in order to comprehensively address our main research question'



Left: Interview with a household head. Right: Women's focus group discussion.



Left: Men's focus group discussion. Right: Unmatched count technique.