## **Project Updates: November 2016**

We concluded another successful research year with field work in November 2016.

Apart from collecting scientific information on crop raiding elephants and the park electric fence, we could conduct thriving awareness campaign for villagers and other wildlife enthusiasts in the country.



I disseminated findings of the project among numerous leading scientists who work locally and internationally in The Rufford in-country conference - Sri Lanka, which was held from 14th to 16th November at Oak Ray Regency, Kandy, Sri Lanka (above).

Pokunuthanna has become one of the most attractive destinations among avid birders and nature lovers due to our awareness campaign during the project. The Field Ornithology Group of Sri Lanka (FOGSL) celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in November and published a Magazine named "Siyo Siri –Celebrating 40 years FOGSL". An attractive, detailed article was published in the magazine on birding experience at Pokunuthanna.