## **Project Update: May 2010**

The elephant capture operation around Shwe-U-Daung Wildlife Sanctuary is still going on. The private catcher said it will finish by 15th May 2010. The capture team is still chasing a herd of elephants consisting of about 25-30 individuals. Currently the team has captured four wild elephants but two were dead. Local people submitted a letter to Ministry of Forestry about it. Next week, higher officials from Forest Department will come and inspect the situation.

Our project team is still conducting some surveys such as amongst old men survey, asking about the history of elephant in this area, agricultural surveys, etc.

I hope the capture operation will finished by the inspection team next week.