

Project Update: July 2010

Since April 2010, we have conducted preparation of this project. We have contacted the villagers as the land-owner of the proposed captivity. We came to the Belitung Island at the end of May 2010 to discuss more detail of the project. Afterwards, at the end of June 2010, four students came to Belitung Island to do their graduate projects and helping this ex-situ conservation project. The development of captivity started. We developed one temporary (using nylon wire) and one semi permanent (using cage wire and concrete).

In July 2010, we succeeded in capturing one female and two males of Belitung tarsier. Furthermore, we have started our observation of the animals in temporary captivity. After about 3 weeks when the semi-permanent captivity was ready, we transferred one male and one other female into the semi-permanent captivity.

We also conducted an identification of insect's density and abundance, as the main prey of tarsier.

