

Project Update: October 2009

The Chulumani Conservation Garden project is in full swing this month with visits from school children from the surrounding areas of South Yungas. By the end of October 2009 we will have received more than 400 students in the garden. All students take a tour of the garden to see how a botanical garden works (they especially like the forest area and butterfly garden) and then visit the small museum, where they can use microscopes and magnifying glasses, see videos that present messages about the environment and look at beautiful picture books full of photographs of insects, fish, butterflies and dinosaurs. After visiting the museum, students visit an art centre, where they can do colouring projects and rubbings with crayons on wooden tablets with images of local flora and fauna carved into them.

Other advances include the creation of a logo for the garden, the construction and launching of a website (www.tarapari.org), the printing of t-shirts for staff to wear during visits and the organization of the inauguration of the garden, scheduled for 29th October 2009.

