

Project Update: November 2018

We had already completed surveys in the rainy season (June, July and August) for three forest types, mixed, bamboo and evergreen forest in Lam Dong, Binh Thuan and Dong Nai province.

We had found distribution of *Bertia cambojiensis* at Da Si, Da Bang and Suoi Lanh of Doan Ket commune (Lam Dong province), Me Pu commune (Binh Thuan province), Ma Da commune (Dong Nai province).

Bertia cambojiensis' occurrence was in three forest types consisting of mixed, bamboo and evergreen forest. Environmental parameters were measured such as soil pH, soil moisture, soil temperature, and air temperature where *B. cambojiensis* occur. Micro-habitats of *B. cambojiensis* were on rocks, on a rotten fallen tree, a tree trunk and under leaf litter.

At each survey locations, we recorded number of *B. cambojiensis*. We figured out population density of *B. cambojiensis* in Lam Dong province was highest and in Dong Nai province was lowest.

We also discovered food of *B. cambojiensis* in the wild consisting of mushrooms, seedlings, fruit and land crabs. The other land snails coexisting in the same habitat with *B. cambojiensis* were recorded.

Now we are analysing all data about environmental parameters, *B. cambojiensis*'s morphology, sorting the other land snail coexisting with *B. cambojiensis* for identification. We are planning to survey in dry season (November and December, 2018 and January, 2019) to complete data set of *B. cambojiensis* in the project.



Figure 1: Ms. Trinh leader (on the left hand) and student assistants figure out and record GPS coordinate of *Bertia cambojiensis* in the wild.



Figure 2: *Bertia cambojiensis* moving on the rock in bamboo forest.