

## **Project Update: May 2009**

More focal observations have been carried out. In total, 8 species of *Ficus* were observed. *Ficus umbellata* and *F. sur* were not observed as their fruits ripened individually at different times, while *F.exasperata* did not receive any visitors. There was only one individual each of *F. ingens*, *F. polita* and *F. vallis-choudae*. *F. polita* and *F. vallis-choudae* did not fruit throughout the period of observation. The counting of the figs has been carried out but the identification process is quite slow. In total, 12 species have been identified. Among these 12, *F. lutea* has the highest number of individuals counted. This species is one of the most utilized by fruit-eating animals. I am presently writing a report to be presented to the management of the Amurum Forest Reserve.