

## **Project Update: April 2010**

Forty volunteers, 20 students and 20 local personnel from Sangai Protection Forum (NGO), were trained between 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2010, focusing on the project activities and the importance of Sangai conservation. Special attention was given to species identification of Sangai and sympatric hog deer in the park

Seven target schools and four colleges were identified to take part in the conservation awareness programme to be conducted in July 2010. Necessary permits from the concerned authorities for conducting the programme have also been obtained.

Publication materials pertaining to the conservation awareness programme, like posters and pamphlets, have been designed and are being printed.

I will be submitting a detailed Phase I report regarding the conservation awareness and community outreach programme by July 2010. The status survey of the Manipur brow-antlered deer was unfortunately not conducted as per the plan due to a lack of logistical and permit support. However, the status survey (from October to December 2010) and census (March 2011) will be conducted as planned.