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13 park staff were trained on short-term mitigation methods that might best be employed to limit human-elephant conflict situation. Participants explored the current situation of human–elephant conflict and discussed the problems of current problem animal control (PAC) mitigation including farmer's energy, time to apply such PAC methods. The participants were then exposed to the Community Based Problem Animal Control methods. Practical training took place in key area at Ebianemeyong village where CBPAC demonstration plots were established for practical demonstration of some selected PAC techniques. Participants identified the animals they felt were a problem within the area. They then detailed the specific problems for each animal in turn, and finally ranked the animals according to the severity of their problems. This exercise was designed to focus everyone upon human-wildlife conflict, and to consider the process of ranking problem animals objectively. Concrete project to assist farmer from wildlife depredation/depravation was layout.

