

Darwin Initiative

Half Year Report (due 31 October each year)

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the increased number of reports expected in 2005, we will not be able to confirm receipt of reports but will contact you individually should any questions arise

Project Ref. No.	14-031
Project Title	A market-led Conservation Response to the Domestic Bird-Trade in Indonesia
Country(ies)	Indonesia
UK Organisation	Environmental Change Institute
Collaborator(s)	BirdLife Indonesia, ACNielsen Indonesia, Pelestari Burung Indonesia (PBI)
Report date	10 October 2005
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Project website	<i>(planned for 2006)</i>

1. Outline progress over the last 6 months (April – September) against the agreed baseline timetable for the project (if your project has started less than 6 months ago, please report on the period since start up).

The project commenced in July with a 3-day planning meeting in Bogor and Jakarta. Two literature reviews on: a) attitude surveys in conservation and b) supply-chain analysis were completed during August. I (PJ) made a second visit to Java in September to work with partners on refining the project planning, recruiting MSc students and conducting preliminary research on the structure of bird-keeping. We have identified one strong candidate for an MSc bursary and are following up others. We were unable to find a time when members of the project advisory group could all meet. Instead I met with each of the five members individually. In addition we presented the project to an audience of Indonesian academics and NGO activists convened by the PILI-NGO movement. We have agreed the questions on the topic of the economic value of bird-keeping to include in the November ACNielsen Omnibus survey. A work plan has been agreed with BirdLife to prepare for the January training workshop and finalisation of the dedicated survey.

2. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments that the project has encountered over the last 6 months. Explain what impact these could have on the project and whether the changes will affect the budget and timetable of project activities.

We may find difficulty in recruiting 3 MCS students but could overcome this by commissioning contract research if this is acceptable.

There are a number of developments that are positive for the project. A group of influential actors have formed a Bali Starling Association to seek changes in the law to allow the species to be bred for commercial sale. In addition TRAFFIC SEAsia is concerned about export of reptiles from Indonesia been passed off as from captive bred-sources. Both these issues require an informed discussion on the merits of certification. In response we will conduct an analysis of certification mechanisms before Jan 06 so as to align the project policy dialogue with these related issues.

Preliminary analysis of the bird-keeping scene suggests that there is a switch in fashion from doves to songbirds and that this aligns with broader social and political trends in Indonesia relating to promoting entrepreneurship, Indonesian values and anti-corruption agendas. President SBY and two influential

governors are prominent in the hobby which gives grounds for optimism in-terms of achieving the wider social impact inherent in the project purpose.	
Have any of these issues been discussed with the Darwin Secretariat and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?	
No, please let me know if I should	
Discussed with the DI Secretariat:	no/yes, in..... (month/yr)
Changes to the project schedule/workplan:	no/yes, in.....(month/yr)

3. Are there any other issues you wish to raise relating to the project or to Darwin's management, monitoring, or financial procedures?

If you were asked to provide a response to this year's annual report review with your next half year report, please attach your response to this document.

Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan or budget should not be discussed in this report but raised with the Darwin Secretariat directly.

Please send your **completed form by 31 October each year per email** to Stefanie Halfmann, Darwin Initiative M&E Programme, stefanie.halfmann@ed.ac.uk . The report should be between 1-2 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message.**