## **Darwin Initiative for the Survival of Species**

## Half Year Report (due 31 October each year)

Project Ref. No. 15-018

Project Title Developing land snail expertise in South and Southeast Asia.

Country(ies) Thailand, India, Nepal, Laos, Malaysia, Vietnam, Sri Lanka

**UK Organisation** The Natural History Museum

**Collaborator(s)** Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, Centre for Biological Conservation, Nepal,

Ashoka Trust (ATREE), India, Wildlife Heritage Trust, Sri Lanka, Hanoi University, Vietnam, National University of Laos, University of Sain Malaysia

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**Project website** *www.nhm.ac.uk/troicalsnails* 

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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).

Following successful launch with workshop in Bangkok, apart from Cambodia, all country projects are up and running with field surveys in progress

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 were unable to get a satisfactory project established in Cambodia and have set up a replacement project in Malaysia.

Fred Naggs visit to Nepal was postponed because of the political turmoil there earlier in the year. This visit will now go ahead in October 2006.

None of these changes are expected to affect the budget or timing of project outputs.

Have any of these issues been discussed with the Darwin Secretariat and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?

Yes the Secretariat agreed to a project in Malaysia as a replacement for the proposed project in Cambodia.

Discussed with the DI Secretariat: /yes, Agreed 16/08/2006

Changes to the project schedule/workplan: no, 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? No

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 <u>planned</u> modifications to your project schedule/workplan or budget should <u>not</u> 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, <u>stefanie.halfmann@ed.ac.uk</u>. The report should be between 1-2 pages maximum. <u>Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message.</u>