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1. Country/location of visit

Thailand, Kaeng Krachan National Park

2. Research project

Internship

3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)

2018. 01. 11 – 2018. 04. 04 (85days)

4. Main host researcher and affiliation

IUCN Asia Regional Office, Kaeng Krachan National Park, Department of National Park

5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed)

Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description.

I got great opportunity as an internship in Kaeng Krachan National Park in Thailand. Kaeng Krachan is the largest national park in Thailand and it is famous for wildlife, for example Asian elephants and White-handed gibbon. It is located only 180 km away from Bangkok, so some visitors come to the Kaeng Krachan National Park on weekends.

In my internship, I worked as an assistant of Department of National Park (DNP) staffs.

I took part in nature school that is for students. DNP staffs prepare lots of activities for students.

For example nature trail in Kaeng krachan National Park, observing aquatic insects.

I also participated in some meetings for solving problems between local people and wildlife.

Especially, relationship between wild elephants and local people are getting worth recent years. Two men got injured by elephant attack and one ranger died. Also farmers killed elephants because of crop raiding. DNP staffs explained the effective measures in case of elephant attack. My field site in DRCongo, I've never seen conservation officers had opportunity to communicate with local people. I thought Kaeng Krachan National park try to do conservation work with local people.

Left) DNP staff explains about footprint of wildlife Right) A meeting about wildlife attack to communities





6. Others

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