

Fieldwork Internship Program 2011
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Reflection sheet

Name NYEIN CHAN 2011 Year (you enroll in ASAFAS)

1. Research title : Estimation of plant biomass in swidden fallows around a Karen village, the Bago Mountains, Myanmar

2. Period of your fieldwork :
02 / NOV / 2011 ~ 28/ JAN / 2012 (88 days)

3. Please write up your brief outline on "how did you achieve the original goals which you have described in your submitted proposal?"

I went to the study area with six of my students from University of Forestry, Yezin according to the planned schedule. And I set up totally 27 plots in my study area for field data collection. Then, I conducted my lab work in Forest Research Institute, Yezin until Jan 25.

4. Please describe your plan and perspective on future fieldwork and other overseas academic activity.
In the plan for the last time, I aimed at collecting data for my master thesis. If I have a chance, I would like to go back to Myanmar to collect more data in the same study site, or may be also to other sites for Ph.D. dissertation. For overseas academic activity, I would like to attend the workshops or seminar or symposiums related to my study within my capacity.

5. Please give us your suggestions on this program.
I got the great chance for applying this program. Without such kind of support, I couldn't finish my field data collection within the planned period. Also, I am very thankful to you all for giving me a chance to join the training on research. I would like to suggest you on the budget allocation. I think sharing the budget equally for all types of research and for all countries is not so equitable. For example, some research needs a lot of expenses, some don't. Also, we will need to spend almost of all your support just for travelling, something like that. So, in my opinion, you had better think about budget sharing system.

*Please propose your detailed idea on 1 page.