

## Project Update: April 2009

I am pleased to report that from 20-30 April 2009, the project team led by Mrs. Walya organised 4 short tailor made training courses to committee members of the established wildlife and environmental clubs living around Kasungu Wildlife Reserve on the Zambian side. A total of 157 people (75 men, 52 women and 30 pupils from five schools in the area) were successfully trained in participatory wildlife and environmental monitoring and evaluation (See photo).

The aim of the training was equip members of the wildlife and environmental committees with new knowledge and skills used in systematic gathering and analysis of wildlife and environmental data which can help them if sustainable management and use of wildlife and natural resources are successfully and cost-effectively achieved. The participant's especially primary and secondary pupils expressed strong feeling that the training courses were important as the results of monitoring and evaluation processes will help in making proper decision with regard to wildlife and utilisation.

