

Project Update: October 2017

Before we start the activity of the project, we requested the Ministry of Fishery to give us the authorisation letter of research. The authorisation of research from fishery ministry has been got since 9th October 2017 and after that date all activities which relate this project is authorised to achieve at the New Protected Area Complexe Mahavavy Kinkony (NPA CMK).

The first activity had to be carried out was to disseminate the information to the all local people around the NPA CMK. We met the first responsible of ASITY Madagascar as management of NPA CMK is knew firstly the existence of this project. They gave more information and list of lake which may be find the nest of Rere and some of fisherman who can be get the information where we captive the Rere. Village near of Mahavavy River which may be found the nest Rere or some lake in the NAP CMK have been given the flaps sheet which talk about a lot of activities would be achieved and advantages of local population from this project such as research of nest Rere. By the law some lake in the NPA must be had hardcore as Lake Kinkony have a lot of small islands such as Antsoherim-pandrava, Marandravay and the village near of two islands is Makary. This village is found in the part east of Lake Kinkony and of which their coordinates GPS are E 45' 54" 28.8 and S 16'8" 49.93.

We left Mahajanga October 12th 2017 and arrived at Lake Katondra October 14th 2017. Lake Katondra is the one lake satellite of Lake Kinkony which is found on part south of NPA CMK with their coordinates GPS S 16' 14" 8.31, E 46' 1" 47.2 and the areas 404ha. As Lake Kinkony and Katondra a lot of water from those lakes go out in Mahavavy River and the part which meet those lakes and river call Ambinany which is found also at south District Mijintso. Those three place may be found nest Rere and alive Rere such as Makary, Katondra, Ambinany.

We left Katondra in the morning and arrived to Makary in the afternoon October 17th 2017. The next morning, we met with local people and the local association called VOI VOROFALY at Makary so that to aid those about their activities relate our project activity conservation of Rere. After the meeting we worked with local people and member of VIO Vorofaly for the direct observation to find the Rere. One farmer Mr Jeanot found female big headed tortoise (Rere) at the place called Anjanaborona Analagnana as geographic coordinate S 16' 9' 18.36, E 45' 55' 17.71.



Meeting stakeholder and Member of VOI Vorofaly



Applicant with Rere