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During the reporting period July to December 2015 the main activity was to commence the buffalo grazing treatments with the consent of local communities. Follow up village meetings were held in five target villages (following on from project launch meetings held the previous year) to share information about the project, discuss the project findings so far and seek inputs from target communities about project progress. The meetings were well attended (Table 1). Communities were reminded about the planned project component to install a movable electric fence that would not restrict community access to water holes (*trapeangs*) and applicants for 4 jobs as herdsmen to care for the buffalo herds were sought. 4 herdsman have now been recruited from target villages.

Table 1: Village meeting attendance in target communities.

Target villages	Date	Participants
Khes Krom	17/09/15	135
Pong Kreal	18/09/15	165
Khes Svay	19/09/15	150
Phar Bang	20/09/15	40
La Kay	21/09/15	70



Figure 1. Village meeting in Khes Svay village



Figure 2: Village meeting in La Kay

Training on installation of electric fence equipment was provided by John Muir, an independent agronomist, to Western Siem Pang field staff. The two fences have since been installed successfully and are moved from *trapeang* to *trapeang* each week (Figures, 3, 4, 5).



Figure 3: Solar panels and other materials used to instal the electric fence.

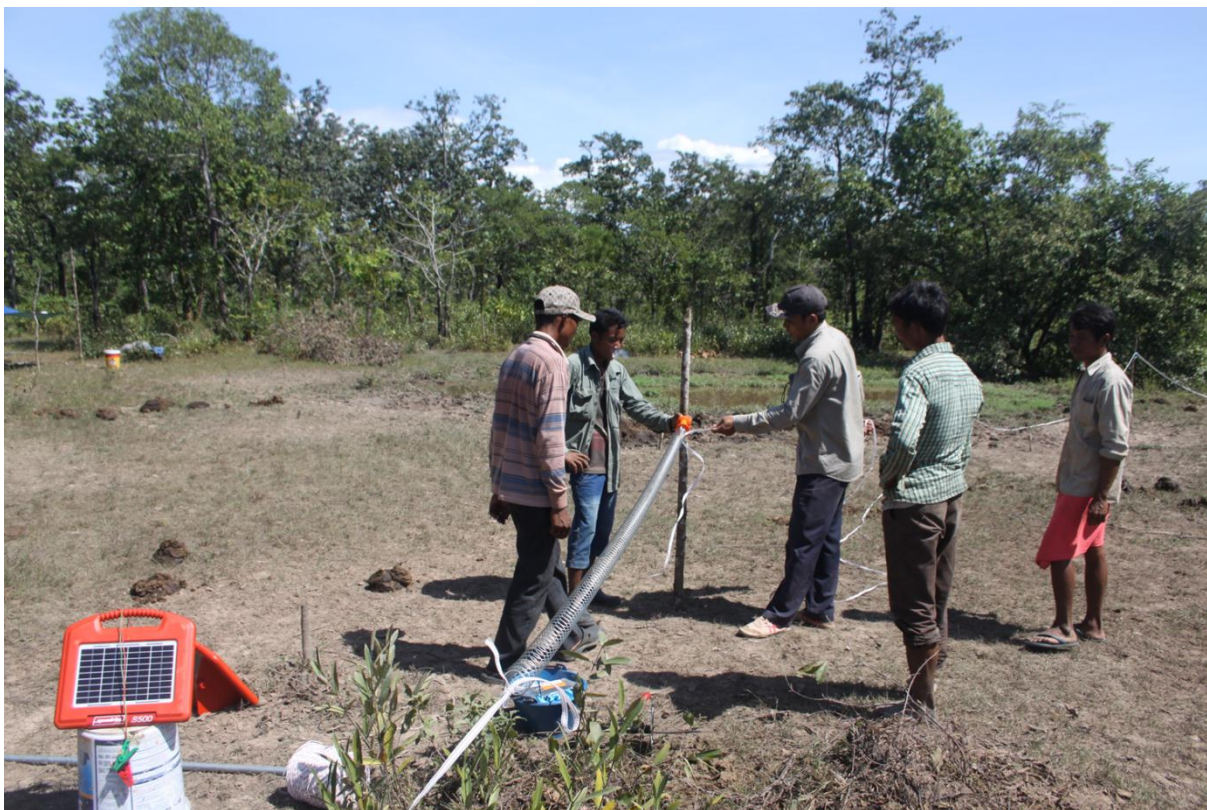


Figure 4: BirdLife community outreach officer and four community herdsman practice electric fence instalation.



Figure 5: Buffalo herd grazing inside the fenced *trapeang*