

Darwin Initiative for the Survival of Species

Half Year Report (due 31 October each year)

Project Ref. No.	15/041
Project Title	Waria Valley Community Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods Program
Country(ies)	Papua New Guinea
UK Organisation	Coral Cay Conservation
Collaborator(s)	Jaqueline Fisher Associates, Forestry Research Institute PNG, Morobe Bris Kanda PNG, University of Technology PNG, DEC PNG, Village Development Trust PNG, Waria Valley Community PNG
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Project website	www.coralcay.org

- 1. Outline progress over the last 6 months (April – September) against the agreed baseline timetable for the project (if your project has started less than 6 months ago, please report on the period since start up).**

The project has reached its implementation phase as per our plans. All capital equipment has been procured and shipped out to the site. CCC and JFA sent a representative out to the Waria Valley to complete a planning visit and the stakeholder forum which led to the launch of the project in early October which was presided over by the minister for Agriculture and Livestock of Papua New Guinea and generated media interest (see links below):

<http://www.coralcay.org/archives/2006/10/10/10.37.27.php>

<http://www.coralcay.org/archives/2006/09/29/14.58.23.php>

Unfortunately the project staff have yet to be able to travel out to the project due to visa issues (see below) but we still envisage that the full delivery of the project objectives is achievable and deliverable within the current timescale.

- 2. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments that the project has encountered over the last 6 months. Explain what impact these could have on the project and whether the changes will affect the budget and timetable of project activities.**

We have encountered considerable problems with our two UK staff members being able to attain a working visa to visit the country and this problem is ongoing. This is a problem with the immigration service in PNG and the problem has been present for several months. We do hope to have this problem

resolved and them in country by November.		
Have any of these issues been discussed with the Darwin Secretariat and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?		
No		
We will still be able to deliver the project under the agreed timescales.		
Discussed with the DI Secretariat:	NO	no/yes, in..... (month/yr)
Changes to the project schedule/workplan:	NO	no/yes, in.....(month/yr)

<p>2. Are there any other issues you wish to raise relating to the project or to Darwin's management, monitoring, or financial procedures?</p> <p>No</p>
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If you were asked to provide a response to this year's annual report review with your next half year report, please attach your response to this document.

Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan or budget should not be discussed in this report but raised with the Darwin Secretariat directly.

Please send your **completed form by 31 October each year per email** to Stefanie Halfmann, Darwin Initiative M&E Programme, stefanie.halfmann@ed.ac.uk. The report should be between 1-2 pages maximum. **Please state your project reference number in the header of your email message.**