\*DATE: [dd/mm/yyyy]

\*SESSION: [AM/PM]

\*TR.ID: Transect ID [Unique ID given to every transect]

\*TR.L: Transect length [Total length of the transect that was surveyed]

\*TIME: Time of sighting [in 24 hr format]

\*INDIRECT/DIRECT: Type of sighting [for indirect sighting, mention the type of indirect sign that was spotted. eg. Scat, scratch-mark, pugmark etc].

\*ANIMAL GROUP: [Mammals/ Birds/ Reptiles/ Amphibian/ Others]

\*COMMON NAME: [Common name of the sighted animal, local language can be used if unsure of English name]

\*NO.: Number of individuals sighted.

\*HABITAT TYPE: [Roadside habitat type – Shola/ Tea plantation/ Human-Use/ Grassland/ etc.]

\*GPS: [GPS Coordinates – Decimals]

\*BY: [Name of the data collector(s)]

\*NOTES: Any relevant field notes [like the behavior, age or sex of the individual].

Methodology:

* Check the team schedule and make sure to fill up the “Diary of Event”, preferably before leaving for your fieldwork.
* Make sure you pack up everything that has been mentioned in the checklist.
* Survey the assigned transect during the assigned session on foot. The pace MUST be slow and calculated. NEVER rush through transect.
* The survey team needs at least 2 well-trained members (but never more than 4-5 in total). One person should be focused on the trail/line ahead (because we need close to a 100% accuracy on the sightings that are present directly on the line/transect) and the other should be scanning both the sides of transect carefully and meticulously.
* When an animal is spotted, quietly identify it (write its common name) and make sure whether there are more individuals accompanying it (fill up the no. columns). Note down the type of habitat where the animal was spotted. Get the GPS co-ordinates and write down if there were any relevant field notes.
* If it’s a spotting of an indirect sign (scat, scratch-marks, pug-marks, etc.), mentioned it in the column given (eg. Indirect-scat or indirect-pugmark, etc.)
* Reptiles and amphibians are surveyed ONLY on the line/transect. Mammals and Birds are surveyed BOTH on the line/transect and 50 m either side of transect.

Checklist:

-Field Camera, GPS, Scale, Binocs, Casting kit, Datasheet, Pen, etc.

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