

Bat House Installed in Kathmandu Valley



Small Mammals Conservation and Research Foundation, SMCRF, Kathmandu in co-operation with Central Zoo, Jawalakhel, Lalitpur installed a bat house at the zoo on November 2, 2009. The bat house was constructed at Kathmandu as per the design provided by Bat Conservation International, Texas, USA. The green enamel colored four chambered bat house is of size two feet by two feet. The landing ply is six inches longer than other four half inch broad plies. The bat house was lifted by two twenty feet bamboo poles from the ground.

“This is the first attempt of installation of bat house in Nepal, the intension of placing it at the Zoo is to create awareness for bat conservation among Zoo visitors and students and we will observe it for three to six months and see whether it will be the destination for bats of the area or not” quotes Sanjan Thapa, Executive member, SMCRF and bat research student and conservationist in Nepal.

Photo: Staffs of the Zoo three from the left and Suchita Shrestha, Executive member, SMCRF Right below the bat house, Schoolchildrens sitting in front.