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Science Technology and Environment Agency Environment Research Institute

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Dear Sirs,

I am writing on behalf of the Environmental Research Institute of the Science Technology and Environment Agency to express my support to the project "Monitoring of Infrastructure Impacts on Biodiversity: Nam Ha National Protected Area" submitted to CBBIA by IUCN Lao PDR. We have reviewed the proposal with interest, and believe that it will contribute significantly to environmental monitoring capacity in the country.

We look forward to working with the IUCN to implement this project.

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Sincerely.