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Banded leaf-monkeys at Lower Peirce forest

Subjects: Banded leaf-monkey, Presbytis femoralis (Mammalia: Primates: Cercopithecidae).

Subjects identified by: Contributors.

Location, date and time: Singapore Island, Central Catchment Nature Reserve, Lower Peirce forest; 4 April

2015; around 1730 hrs.

Habitat: Secondary forest.

Observers: Contributors.

Observation: A troupe of three individuals was observed in the tree canopy (see attached picture, black shapes at centre), feeding on leaves and defecating.

Remarks: In Singapore, the locally rare banded leaf-monkey is believed to be restricted to the Central Catchment Nature Reserve (Baker & Lim, 2012: 135). However, a troupe of nine has recently been observed crossing Old Upper Thomson Road onto the adjacent young secondary forest outside the Central Catchment Nature Reserve (Baker, 2014).

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