





# Zoological Survey of India MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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### **ZOOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA**



#### **Primary Objectives**

#### **Secondary Objectives**

Exploration, Survey, Inventorying and Monitoring of faunal diversity in various

**Environmental Impact Assessment Studies.** 

States, Ecosystems and Protected areas of India.

Maintenance and Development of Museum at Headquarters and Regional Stations.

Taxonomic studies of all faunal components collected.

**Development of ENVIS and CITES Centers.** 

Periodic review of the Status of Threatened and Endemic species.

Research Fellowship, Associate-ship and Emeritus Scientist Programme.

Preparation of Red Data Book, Fauna of India and Fauna of States.

Collaborative research programmes on Biodiversity with other Organizations.

Bio-ecological studies on selected important communities/ species.

GIS and Remote Sensing studies for animal diversity as well as for selected threatened species

Preparation of databases for the recorded species of the country.

Cytotaxonomy and DNA Barcoding.

Maintenance & Development of National Zoological Collection

**Training and Capacity Building** 

Faunal Identification, Advisory services and Library Services.

Publication of Fauna of India and Fauna of States.

#### **ZSI** explore from sea to mountains



#### **Contributions of ZSI to the Nation**

Overall National Zoological Holdings at ZSI HQ and regional centers is > 4.5 Million specimens.

97,515 animal species known from the country (Animal Discoveries, 2015)

Surveyed and documented Faunal diversity of 23 States and UTs and 49 Protected Areas of country

Discovery of 4,668 new species to science by ZSI

Advisory and identification services to forest and other enforcement agencies of wildlife seized material.

#### Contribution of ZSI to the Nation

52 volumes of "Fauna of India" since Independence

State Fauna Series, Fauna of Freshwater Ecosystem, Fauna of Estuarine Ecosystem, Fauna of Conservation Areas

Publications: Over 1507 Knowledge Products and published 10046 research papers by 2015.

Digitization of National Zoological Specimens: 10000 metadata were computerized

Online digital archive of ZSI Publications<www.faunaofindia.nic.in>

DNA Barcodes: 819 available at Barcode of Life Data System

FAUNA OF INDIA Taxonomic Group		No.of Species			
		India	Landscape	Seascape	
Kingdom PROTISTA	Phylum Protozoa	3510	433	3077	
Kingdom ANIMALIA	Phylum Mesozoa	10	10	0	
3.1	Phylum Porifera	512	0	512	
	Phylum Cnidaria	1396	0	1396	
	Phylum Ctenophora	18	0	18	
	Phylum Platyhelminthes	1668	1622	46	
	Phylum Rotifera	409	362	47	
	Phylum Gastrotricha	162	62	100	
	Phylum Kinorhyncha	10	0	10	
	Phylum Nematoda	2914	2723	191	
	Phylum Acanthocephala	229	229	0	
	Phylum Sipuncula	38	0	38	
	Phylum Mollusca	5188	1435	3753	
	Phylum Echiura	43	0	43	
	Phylum Annelida	1024	21	1003	
	Phylum Onychophora	1	1	0	
	Phylum Arthropoda				
	Class Crustacea	4263	1190	3073	
	Class Insecta	63887	63880	7	
	Class Arachnida	5907	5907	0	
	Class Pycnogonida	36	0	36	
	Class Chilopoda	101	101	0	
	Class Diplopoda	162	162	0	
	Class Symphyla	4	4	0	
	Class Merostomata	2	0	2	
	Phylum Phoronida	3	0	3	
	Phylum Bryozoa	327	57	270	
	Phylum Entoprocta	10	0	10	
	Phylum Brachiopoda	8	0	8	
	Phylum Chaetognatha	44	0	44	
	Phylum Tardigrada	30	20	10	
	Phylum Echinodermata	777	0	777	
	Phylum Hemichordata	14	0	14	
	Phylum Protochordata	520	56	464	
	Class Pisces	3287	658	2629	
	Class Amphibia	386	386	0	
	Class Reptilia	562	532	30	
	Class Aves	1340	1153	187	
	Class Mammalia	427	401	26	
	TOTAL	99229	81405	17824	

## Way Forward

- Checklist of Fauna of India
- Species page for all the species
- DNA Bar-coding of at least 1000 sequences / year
- GIS Application for spatial distribution of all the animal species known in India
- Mobile application for the survey tour
- Annual Programme on all 10 bio-geographical regions
- Analysis of gap areas: group-wise and area wise
- All India study on all the groups of animals
- Digitisation of all the type species followed by the National Zoological Collection.

# Sanctioned Strength and Men in Position in Group-A, B & C in ZSI as on 30-06-2016

GROUP	SANCTIONED STENGTH	MEN IN POSITION	VACANT
GROUP-A	141	76	65
GROUP-B	81	43	38
GROUP-C	816	370	446
TOTAL	1038	489	549

## ZSI Budget Allocation for the Financial Year 2015-16 and 2016-17

FINANCIAL YEAR	PLAN (Revenue)	PLAN (Capital)	NON PLAN	TOTAL
2015-16	<b>24.88</b> Crores	10.24 Crores	20.20	55.32
			Crores	Crores
CURRENT	PLAN (Revenue)	PLAN	NON PLAN	TOTAL
FINANCIAL YEAR		(Capital)		
2016-17	<b>19.00 Crores</b>	<b>18.00</b> Crores	22.40	59.40
			Crores	Crores

#### Issues

- Filling up the all the vacancies including Senior Adm. Officer, Adm. Officer,
   Account Officer etc.
- Recruitment process for Scientists taking more than two years
- Delegation of power to HOD and HOO/OCs
- Budget constrains
- Training and Capacity Building
- Revival of 21 Assistant Zoologist posts
- Permission of sample collection from Protected Areas
- Modernization of Infrastructure and Development of HQs and Regional Museums
- Centenary Museum at Indian Museum
- Repositories for the Biodiversity Hot Spots Regional Centre- HAZFRC, WGRC, ITANGAR, ANRC.
- Tunnel Aquarium at Digha, West Bengal
- Centenary Regional Centers at Bhuj in Gujarat and Gangtok in Sikkim



