



Leptobrachium aryatium

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A study in Assam has led to the discovery of a new frog species, ***Leptobrachium aryatium***, named after Arya Vidyapeeth College in Guwahati.

- **Leptobrachium aryatium:** It has been identified in the **Garbhanga Reserve Forest**. The species is noted for distinctive features, including **fiery orange-and-black eyes**, a unique **reticulated throat pattern**, and a smooth, rhythmic call at dusk.
 - The frog was first identified in 2004 as ***Leptobrachium smithi***, but recent molecular and morphological studies confirmed it as a new species.
 - The genus ***Leptobrachium***, consisting of 38 species of **stocky frogs with broad heads, short hind limbs**, and distinctively coloured eyes, is found across Southern China, India, the Sunda Shelf, and the Philippines.
- **Garbhanga Reserve Forest:** Situated on the southwestern side of Guwahati, Assam, near the Assam-Meghalaya border. The Garbhanga Reserve plays a crucial role in regulating Guwahati's climate and water systems, and it supports a variety of wildlife, including elephants, butterflies, rare birds, reptiles, and amphibians.
 - It faces threats from urban expansion and habitat destruction.



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