

Amniotic Biodiversity Of Reptiles Of Sariska Region, Rajasthan

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The study area, Sariska Sanctuary established in the year 1955-56 is situated in Alwar district between parallels of $27^{\circ} 14'5''$ and $27^{\circ} 52'12''$ N latitude and $76^{\circ} 14'20''$ and $76^{\circ} 32'12''$ E longitudes and roughly shaped like jumping frog, covering an area of 866.13 sq. Kms. with core area of 492 sq. kms.

Studies on reptiles were undertaken in Sariska after independence. About 48 species of reptiles were added since 1942. Acharya (1949) and Kapadia (1951) provided checklist of reptiles of Sariska, based on previous works. Sharma (1982) and Gayen (1999) published a survey report on reptiles of Sariska based on extensive field survey and collections of the Zoological Survey of India.