

Research Article

On the Distribution of Coastal Bull Frog *Hoplobatrachus litoralis* Hasan, Kuramoto, Islam, Alam, Khan and Sumida, 2012 (Anura: Dicroglossidae) from Itanagar Wildlife Sanctuary- New state report for Arunachal Pradesh, Northeast India

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ABSTRACT

The distribution of the Coastal Bull Frog, *Hoplobatrachus litoralis* in Arunachal Pradesh was not certain for lack of any tangible report. The occurrence of this species in this Himalayan state of Arunachal Pradesh is reported herein based on recent collection of three individuals from a swampy area from the Senki Valley of the Itanagar Wildlife Sanctuary, Papum Pare district, Arunachal Pradesh. Brief diagnostic characters are also provided based on the observed individuals.

Key words: Arunachal Pradesh, *Hoplobatrachus litoralis*, New Record, Papum Pare, Range extension.

