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With its eye-popping carnival of colours, the flashy Black-rumped Flameback sets ablaze even the drabbest of dry branches as it hops around investigating promising crevices on tree trunks, always knocking on the wood before it captures its choicest insects with its darting tongue and straight, pointed bill. This large and hardy architect of the forest has a characteristic loud, harsh, chattering call which it usually utters during its undulating flight characteristic of all woodpeckers. Shot at Coimbatore by B. Ravichandran, ZOO; posted on 08 Mar 2019.



The largest of the living lemurs of Madagascar and a rainforest inhabitant, the Indri's grasping limbs with big and opposable toes are fundamental to their lives in the trees. These gentle giants display impressive jumping skills, engage in playful wrestling, and are known for their vocal repertoire of loud, distinctive songs. Video shot at Zahamena NP by S. Molur, ZOO; posted on 03 Dec 2018.



The Seven-spotted Cockroach *Therea petiveriana* is found in the scrub forests of southern India. It burrows under leaf litter or loose soil during the heat of the day and gets active at twilight hours. The black-and-white pattern of the elegant flightless roach is presumed to deter predators and gives it its other name, Indian Domino Cockroach. Video shot at Coimbatore by S. Molur, ZOO; posted on 19 Nov 2018.



The Red Water Lily is commonly found in still or slow-flowing waters of tropical rivers and ponds. This elegant floating plant has round, sharply toothed leaves and aromatic red flowers that bloom year-round. Shot at Kozhikode by S. Molur, ZOO; posted on 29 Nov 2018.

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