



**Front view of Reptile House with separate entrance and exit. Photo: Swati Gupta**

distance between visitors and housed animals every enclosure has a stand-off barrier. The enclosures are furnished by toughened glass to make the clear visibility, beautiful painting on side and rear walls

exaggerate the beauty of enclosures and provide a feeling of natural habitat.

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## **Announcement**

### **4th Indian Biodiversity Congress (IBC 2017) Pondicherry University Convention Centre 10-12 March 2017**

The 4th IBC is scheduled at Pondicherry University, Puducherry, in the eastern coastal town during March 10-12, 2017, with a National Seminar, Biodiversity Expo, Civil Society Meet, Children's Conclave on Biodiversity, National Photography Competition and Documentary Film Festival.

#### **Sub-themes: Climate change and Biodiversity**

1. Biodiversity characterisation and documentation
2. Marine Biodiversity
3. Biodiversity of Puducherry
4. Agro-biodiversity and poverty alleviation
5. Ecosystem services and development
6. Livestock biodiversity
7. Biodiversity conservation and sustainable utilization through technology
8. Medicinal plant conservation and sustainable utilization
9. Biodiversity education & extension
10. Culture, indigenous technical knowledge and local traditional practices related to biodiversity
11. Policy legislature and biodiversity strategies
12. Urban landscaping

#### **Call for papers**

The Congress includes keynote addresses, plenary lectures and oral/poster presentations. The focal theme will have only invited presentations and panel discussion by experts. Papers can be submitted for all the other themes. Oral presentations of contributed papers are limited to 10 minutes including discussion.

#### **Important deadlines**

Submission of abstracts: 15 January 2017

The paper may be submitted online through [www.indianbiodiversity.co.in](http://www.indianbiodiversity.co.in) or email: [biodiversitycongress@gmail.com](mailto:biodiversitycongress@gmail.com).

Registration of one of the authors is mandatory before 15 February 2017 for inclusion of the accepted abstract in book of abstracts. There will not be any spot registration for paper presentation.

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