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Qualifications

Ph.D. (Zoology), M.Phil. (Zoology), M.Sc. (Zoology)

Date of Birth : 23rd February 1960

Place of Birth : Village Jibanpur, under Bhadrak District, Odisha, India

Nationality : Indian

Experience :

Teaching: 41 years

Research : 32 years

Areas of Research:

- Faunal Diversity, Distribution, and Ecology in Forest Ecosystem (Bat, Birds, Butterflies and Earthworms)
- Diversity, Distribution and Ecology studies of mangrove fauna (Mudskippers, Amphibians, Brachyuran Crabs) and Aquatic fauna (Fishes)
- Diversity and distribution of fauna in Hot springs (Phyto and Zooplanktons)
- Conservation Biology/ Behaviour and demographic analysis of Captive Population

Profile Links :

- **ORCID ID :** <http://orcid.org/0000-0002-2144-0406>
- **SCOPUS ID:** [41862250400](https://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.uri?authorId=41862250400)
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(<https://scholar.google.co.in/citations?user=vGghH-sAAAAJ&hl=en>)
- **Web of Science Researcher ID:** [G-7955-2018](https://www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/G-7955-2018i)
(<https://www.webofscience.com/wos/author/record/G-7955-2018i>)

Topic of Ph.D. Thesis:

- Biological Studies of white tiger (*Panthera tigris* Linn.) with special Reference to Nandankanan Biological Park, Odisha, India (Awarded from Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha in 1999) [<http://hdl.handle.net/10603/191024>]

Research Guidance :

- Ph.D.: Awarded- 09, Submitted for Award- 03, Ongoing- 01
- M.Phil.: Awarded - 13
- PG Dissertations: 77

Research Achievements

- Research Publications – 69
- Publication of Book – 01
- Book Chapters – 24
- Conference Proceedings as Full Papers- 25
- Editing Conference Proceedings – 07
- Research Papers Presented in Conferences-40
- Popular Science Articles in Odia- 15
- Trans adoption of Books/Manuals from English to Odia - 03

Discovery of New Species:

- Discovered four species, new to science :
 - (i) One fish species *Garra laishrami* from Kolab River of Koraput and
 - (ii) Three earthworm species- *Megascolex jeyporeghatiensis* and *Megascolex quadripappilatus* and *Megascolex jamiesoni* from the forests in and around Koraput, Eastern Ghats, Odisha.

Research Projects Supervised: (05 nos.)

- UGC – 03
- Forest and Env. Dept., Govt. of Odisha-01
- Orissa Biodiversity Board - 01

Ph.D. Topics awarded

Sl. No.	Ph.D. Topic	Name of the Scholar	Name of the University/Year of Award
1.	Studies in Diversity and Molecular Taxonomy of Freshwater Turtles in Mahanadi Delta of Odisha by	Ms. Manjushree Swain	Ravenshaw University, Cuttack/ 2025
2.	“Diversity, Distribution and Habitat Characterisation of Earthworms in Koraput, Eastern Ghats, India	Ayusmita Naik	Central University of Odisha/2024
3.	Diversity, Distribution of Fishes and Threats In the Freshwater Bodies of Koraput District in Eastern Ghats of	Supriya Surachita (DST-Inspire Fellow)	Central University of Odisha/2024

	Odisha		
4.	Avian Diversity in different habitats: A study from Koraput District of Odisha	Swetashree Purohit	Central University of Odisha/2023
5.	Biological studies on the crab-eating frog <i>Frejervarya cancrivora</i> (Gravenhost, 1829) of Bhitarkanika Mangrove, Odisha, East Coast of India	Subash Chandra Jena	Ravenshaw University, Cuttack/2022
6.	Diversity and Ecology of Butterfly in Koraput District, Southern Odisha, India”	Anirban Mahata	Central University of Odisha/2021
7.	Diversity and distribution of bats along Eastern Ghats in Odisha: A Biogeographic Approach	Subrat Kumar Debata	Central University of Odisha/2019
8.	Studies on diversity, distribution, and ecology of Mudskipper (Gobiidae : Oxudercinae) in themangrove ecosystem of Bhitarkanika, Orissa	Mithila Das	Utkal University, Bhubaneswar/2018
9.	Studies on Diversity and Distribution of planktonsat the Hot Spring of Atri in the District of Khurda, Orissa	Anjali Kumari Dash	Utkal University, Bhubaneswar/2014

Member, Editorial Board

- Guest Editor: Special Issue- Biodiversity and Climate Change in India: Sustainable Development Perspective. Journal Biodiversity Conservation (Springer Nature). Online Publication – 2023, Print Version:
- Member Editorial Board, Tribal Studies Journal-A Journal of COATs, Koraput, Odisha
- Chief Editor, Proceeding of 15th Odisha Environment Congress
- Member, Editorial Board, Proceeding of 14th Odisha Environment Congress
- Member, Editorial Board, Proceeding of 13th Odisha Environment Congress

Member, Organising Committee of International Conference

- Chairman, International Conference on “Millets as Future Food For Sustainable Plaent.” Organized by the Department of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha, Koraput, from 10-12 January 2025.
- Chairman, International Conference on “ Recent Advances of Biodiversity and Agriculture For A Sustainable Future.” Organized by the Department of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha, Koraput, from 19-20 April 2024.
- Member, Organising Committee of 3rd International Workshop on Biodiversity and Climate Change- Sustainable Development Perspective. Organised by the Centre for Ocean, River, Atmosphere and Land (CORAL), IIT, Kharagpur, West Bengal during 21st-23rd February 2023.

Reviewer of International/National Journals

- Springer Journals – Biodiversity and Conservation, Tropical Ecology, Thalassas, Proceedings of the Zoological Society, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Section: Biological Sciences, National Academy of Science Letters and Journal of Forestry Research
- Elsevier Journals: Journal of Asia Pacific Biodiversity
- Wiley Journals: Ecology and Evolution

- Indian Journal of Geo-Marine Sciences (IJMS), Published from New Delhi, CSIR-NISCAE)
- Journal of Threatened Taxa (JoTT), Published from Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India
- Chilean Journal of Entomology by Chilean Society of Entomology
- Biodiversitas Journal of Biological Diversity (Published from Indonesia)

Award/ Honour/ Fellowship

- **Fellow of OES (FOES) Award** : Orissa Environmental Society, Bhubaneswar conferred the designation of Fellow on 3rd Nov 2024 on the occasion of 43rd Foundation Day of the Society in appreciation of outstanding contribution and persistent support to the field of Environment and Natural Resource Management.
- **Red Cross Award**- Awarded by Chief Minister of Odisha on Odisha Divas (April 1st 2017) with Red Cross Award for distinguished contribution by a speciallyabled person.
- **Summer Fellowship** : Awarded two months of Summer Research Fellowship by IASC-INSANA-NASI to work at G.B. Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment and Development, Almora, Uttarakhand from 15.05.2007 - 15.07.2007.
- **Pathani Samanta Pratibha Samman-2006** by Samanta Chandrasekhar Sanskritika Parishad, Nayagarh, Orissa (December, 2006).

Foreign Countries Visited

- **Countries** : Belgium, Netherlands and Italy
- International Conf. Attended in Foreign Country : Presented a paper “Diversity of Bats (Chiroptera: Mammalia) in Eastern Ghats of Odisha, India: An Ecological Perspective“ in the International Conference on “Biodiversity and Ecological Restoration” held at Brussels, Belgium on 15th and 16th May, 2019.

Administrative Positions Held at Central University of Odisha, Koraput:

- Ex Vice-Chancellor (Acting), Central University of Odisha, Koraput (1.03.2019 - 05.12.2019 & 24.07.2021 – 25.09.2022)
- Professor and Head, Department of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha (CUO) (w.e.f. 12.09. 2013 – 28.02.2025)
- Head, Dept. of Zoology, Central University of Odisha, w.e.f. 18.10.2024– 28.02.2025.
- Dean, School of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, CUO (w.e.f. 27.05.14- 28.02.2025).
- Nodal Officer, National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), CUO- since 2016 to 28.02.2025.
- Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), CUO w.e.f. 22.09.14 to 31.03.2023.
- Chairman, NAAC Steering Committee, CUO w.e.f. December, 2015 (for First Cycle in 2017)
- Director, Research and Development (R&D), Central University of Odisha – From 2021 to January 2024.
- Prof-in-charge, Central Library, CUO w.e.f. 27.01.2021 to 27.03.2023
- Member, Executive Council, Central University of Odisha, Koraput w.e.f. October, 2013 to 28.02.2025.
- Member, Academic Council, Central University of Odisha, Koraput w.e.f. October, 2013 to 28.02.2025.
- Member, Finance Committee, Central University of Odisha, Koraput w.e.f. October, 2015 to 2018.

- Convener, NEP-2020 Steering Committee, CUO: from 2021-22 and 2022-23
- Convener, Opening of New PG and Research Programmes at CUO w.e.f.. 18.03.2021 to 25.09.2022.
- Chairman, Admission Committee, CUO for 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23.
- Chief Coordinator, CUO Entrance Examination, 2016 and 2017
- Convener, Annual Report Committee, CUO 2013 -14 to 2016-17

Professional Contributions

- Chairman, Board of Studies, Department of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha: Since 2014 to 28.02.2025
- Chairman, Departmental Research Committee (DRC), Department of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha : Since 2015-16 to 28.02.25
- Chairman, Subject Research Committee (SRC), Department of Biodiversity & Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Odisha: From 2015-16 to 2022-23 to 28.02.25
- Member, Board of Studies, Dept. of Zoology, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack, Odisha
- Member, Board of Studies, Dept. of Zoology, Berhampur University, Cuttack, Odisha
- Member, Board of Studies, Environmental Studies, Berhampur University, Bhanja Vihar, Berhampur, Odisha
- Member, Governing Body, Govt. College, Koraput, Odisha
- Member, Governing Body, PRAGATI (NGO), Koraput

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

Research Papers in Journals

1. **Palita, S.K.** Samal, K. T., Purohit, S., Behera, M.D. (2025) Diversity and Assemblage of Birds in Tropical Wetlands of Eastern Ghats, India: A Call for Conservation Prioritisation. *Tropical Ecology* (Springer Nature). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42965-025-00383-y>, (IF: 1.3; E-ISSN: 2661-8982)
2. Mahanta, G., Panda, R.M. and **Palita, S.K.** (2025) Avian Diversity and Habitat Preferences in Scrubland Ecosystems in Eastern Ghats of Southern Odisha, India. *Land* (MDPI), 14: 511. <https://doi.org/10.3390/land14030511> (IF: 3.4. ISSN: 2073-445X)
3. Mahanta, G., Behera, P., Panda, P. and **Palita, S.K.** (2024) Avian Diversity in Urban and Per-Urban Areas of the Eastern Ghats of Southern Odisha, India. *Pranikhe- Journal of Zoological Society of Odisha*, XXXVI : 1-21. ISSN: 0970-4450 (Indexed in Web of Science)
4. Prasanth Narayanan, S., Naik, A., Mahata, A., **Palita, S.K.**, Thomas, A.P. and Paliwal, R. (2024) *Megascolex* Templeton, 1844 (Clitellata, Megascolecidae): description of a new species from the northern Eastern Ghats, India, with a taxonomic key to the Indian species. *Opuscula Zoologica Budapest*, 55: 109–121. <https://doi.org/10.18348/opzool.2024.6.109> E-ISSN: 2063-1588 (Indexed in Web of Science)
5. Behera, M.D., Khuroo, A.A., **Palita, S.K.**, and Barik, S.K. (2024) Biodiversity responses to climate change – a sustainable development perspective from India. *Biodiversity and Conservation*. Publisher: Springer Nature B.V. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10531-024-02951-5> (IF: 3.5, E-ISSN: 1572-9710)
6. Roy, P., Naik, A.K., Kumari, G., Hati, L., Sowjanya, P., Mishra, D.V.M. and **Palita, S.K.** (2024) Assessment of Proximate Composition in Selected Fish Species from Eastern Ghats of Odisha, India. *Science and Culture*, 90 (9-10): 358-366. Doi: https://doi.org/10.36094/sc.v89.2024.Assessment_of_Proximate_Composition_in_Selected_Roy.358 (SCOPUS Indexed; ISSN: 0036-8156).
7. Naik, A., Mahata, A. and **Palita, S.K.** (2024) First record two species of Tor Mahseer in the Indravati River system of Godavari Basin of Eastern Ghats in Odisha, India, and Conservation Strategies. *Asian Journal for Conservation Biology*, 13 (1): 105-117. <https://doi.org/10.53562/ajcb.85367>. ISSN: 2278-7666 (Indexed in Web of Science)
8. Naik, A., Narayanan, P., **Palita, S.K.**, Thomas, A.P. and Paliwal, R. (2024) Two new species of the genus *Megascolex* Templeton, 1844 (Clitellata, Megascolecidae) from the Eastern Ghats of Odisha state, India. *Zootaxa*, 5424 (5): 569–580. <https://doi.org/10.11646/zootaxa.5424.5.5>. (SCOPUS Indexed; ISSN: 1175-5334 Online).
9. Mahata, A., Naik, A., and **Palita, S.K.** (2024) The composition and phenology of Butterflies are determined by their functional trait in Indian tropical dry forests. *Biodiversity and Conservation*, 33 : 3417-3439. Publisher: Springer Nature <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10531-024-02798-w> (IF: 3.5; ISSN: 1572-9710 Online)
10. Naik, A., Mahata, A. and **Palita, S.K.** (2024) Studies on Earthworm Diversity with Respect to Soil Properties in Different Land Use Systems In Koraput Region of the Eastern Ghats, India. *Biodiversity and Conservation*, 33: 3335-3376. Publisher: Springer Nature. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10531-023-02776-8>. (IF: 3.5; ISSN: 1572-9710 Online)

11. Naik, A., Mahata, A. and **Palita, S.K.** (2024) Earthworm Assemblages and Edaphic Factors in Various Land Use Systems in Koraput, Eastern Ghats of India. ***Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, India Section B: Biological Sciences***, 94: 321-330. Springer Publication. DOI: 10.1007/s40011-023-01530-y. (**SCOPUS Indexed**; ISSN: 2250-1746)
12. Latif, A. and **Palita, S.K.** (2023) Human Elephant Conflict And Status Of Habitat In Chaibasa Forest Division, West Singhbhum District, Jharkhand, India. ***Pranikee-Journal of Zoological Society of Odisha***, XXXV : 1-22. ISSN: 0970-4450 (**Indexed in Web of Science**)
13. Roy, P., Naik, A.K. and **Palita, S.K.** (2023) Morphometric Variation of Selected Barbs from Koraput District, Eastern Ghats, Southern Odisha, India. ***Journal of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries***, 11 : 1-9. (**Google Scholar Indexed**; ISSN: 2321-340X)
14. Mahata, A., Panda, R.M., Dash, P., Naik, A., Naik, A., and **Palita, S.K.** (2023) Microclimate and Vegetation Structure Significantly Affect Butterfly Assemblages in a Tropical Dry Forest. ***Climate (MDPI)***, 11, 220. <https://doi.org/10.3390/cli11110220>. (IF: 3.7; ISSN: 2225-1154) (**Indexed in Web of Science**)
15. **Palita, S.K.**, Panda, D. and Nayak, J. (2023) Indigenous Communities and Biodiversity Conservation: An Indian Perspective. ***Science and Culture***, 89 (9-10): 347-356. [https://doi.org/10.36094/sc.v89.2023.Indigenous Communities and Biodiversity Conservation.Palita.347](https://doi.org/10.36094/sc.v89.2023.Indigenous%20Communities%20and%20Biodiversity%20Conservation.Palita.347) (**SCOPUS Indexed**; ISSN: 0036-8156).
16. **Palita, S.K.**, Das, A. and Mahata, A. (2023) Diversity and Distribution pattern of Herpetofauna in tropical forest microhabitat of Eastern Ghats, Odisha. ***Proceedings of the Zoological Society***, 76: 334-346. (Springer Nature). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12595-023-00499-w> (**SCOPUS Indexed**; ISSN: 0373-5893)
17. Sucharita, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2023) Evaluating the effect of physico-chemical parameters on ichthyofaunal diversity of a lentic waterbody in Eastern Ghats. ***Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, India Section B: Biological Sciences***, 93:935-944. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40011-023-01492-1> (**SCOPUS Indexed**; ISSN: 2250-1746)
18. Surachita, S. Roy Choudhury, B. and **Palita, S.K.** (2023) *Garra laishrami*, a new species of cyprinid fish (Teleostei: Cyprinidae) from Godavari River Basin, Eastern Ghats of Odisha, India. ***Ichthyological Exploration of Freshwaters***, IEF-1179. pp. 1-9. <http://doi.org/10.23788/IEF-1179> (**Web of Science Listed & SCOPUS Indexed**)
19. Swain. M., Samanta, L. and **Palita, S.K.** (2022) Distribution of narrow-headed soft-shell turtle, *Chitra indica* in the delta of river Mahanadi and its threats. ***Pranikee -Journal of Zoological Society of Odisha***, XXXIV : 19-29. ISSN : 0970-4450 (**Indexed in Web of Science**)
20. Mahata, A. and **Palita, S.K.** (2022) Butterfly diversity in Koraput district of Odisha, Eastern Ghats, India. ***Tropical Ecology***, 64: 146-166. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s42965-022-00250-0>. (IF: 1.5). (**UGC CARE Listed & SCOPUS Indexed**)
21. Surachita, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2022) Freshwater fish diversity in hill streams of Saberi River in Eastern Ghats of Odisha, India. ***Journal of Threatened Taxa***, 14(47): 20828-20839; <https://doi.org/10.11609/jott.7341.14.4.20828-20839> (**UGC CARE Listed and SCOPUS Indexed**)
22. Purohit, S., Khamari, B.P. and **Palita, S.K.** (2021) Studies on breeding populations of Green Munia (*Amandava formosa*) in Koraput of Eastern Ghats, southern Odisha, India. ***Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, India Section B: Biological Sciences***, 91 (2): 423-429. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40011-021-01225-2> (**UGC CARE Listed & SCOPUS Indexed**)
23. Panda, D. and **Palita, S.K.** (2021) Potentiality of neglected, underutilized and wild crop resources of Koraput, India for improving nutritional security and climate resilience. ***Current***

Science, 120 (6): 989-996. <https://doi.org/10.18520/cs/v120/i6/989-996> (IF- 1.1)

24. **Palita, S.K.**, Panigrahi, R. and Panda, D. (2021). Potentiality of Bat Guano as Organic Manure for Improvement of Growth and Photosynthetic Response in Crop Plants. ***Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, India Section B: Biological Sciences***, 91 :185-193. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40011-020-01205-y> (UGC CARE Listed & SCOPUS Indexed)
25. Mahata, A., Mishra, N.P. and **Palita, S.K.** (2020) Butterflies (Lepidoptera: Rhopalocera) of the undivided Midnapore District, West Bengal, India: a preliminary report. ***Journal of Threatened Taxa***, 12(17): 17347-17360; <https://doi.org/10.11609/jott.5142.12.17.17347-17360>. (UGC CARE Listed and SCOPUS Indexed)
26. **Palita, S.K.**, De, K., Choudhury, S.K. and Das, S.K. (2020) First Report of the Lynx Spider *Oxyopes sertatus* L. Koch. 1878 (Araneae: Oxyopidae) from India. ***SERKET (The Arachnological Bulletin of the Middle East and North Africa)***, 17 (2): 136-138. ISSN: 1110-502X (Web of Science Listed)
27. Jena, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2020) Habitat choice and arboreal behaviour of Sri Lankan narrow-mouthed frog *Uperodon taprobanicus* (Parker, 1934) in mangrove of Bhitarkanika, Odisha, east coast of India. ***Proceedings of Zoological Society***, 73 (1) : 99-107. Publisher: Springer Netherlands. (Online) DOI : 10.1007/s12595-019-00303-8 (UGC Care Listed and SCOPUS Indexed)
28. Tikadar, P., **Palita, S.K.** and Panda, D. (2020) Phytochemical Profiling of Selected Medicinal Plants Used by Paraja Tribe of Koraput, India. ***Ecology, Environment and Conservation***, 26 (1): 148-154. (Web of Science Listed and Scopus Indexed) (NAAS Rating – 5.5)
29. Mahata, A., Jena, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2019) First record in 129 years of the Tamil Treebrown *Lethe drypetis todara* Moore, 1881 (Lepidoptera: Nymphalidae: Satyrinae) from Odisha, India by fruit-baiting. ***Journal of Threatened Taxa***, 11(15): 1-6; <https://doi.org/10.11609/jott.4485.11.15.15047-15052> (UGC CARE Listed and SCOPUS Indexed)
30. Debata, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2019) Odisha's First Record of a Free-tailed Bat (Mammalia: Chiroptera: Molossidae) :What Could it be ? ***Journal of Threatened Taxa***, 11 (8) : 14071–14074 , Doi : [10.11609/jott.4338.11.8.14071-14074](https://doi.org/10.11609/jott.4338.11.8.14071-14074) (UGC CARE Listed and SCOPUS Indexed)
31. Debata, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2019) Diversity and Abundance of Bats within the Human-Dominated Transitional Zone of Similipal Biosphere Reserve, India-Implications for Conservation. ***Proceedings of National Academy of Sciences, Section. B: Biological Sciences***. Publisher: Springer Netherlands. 90: 353- 363. Print ISSN:0369-9211; Online ISSN: **2250-1746 (Online)**. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40011-019- 01108-7> (UGC CARE Listed & SCOPUS Indexed)
32. Debata, S., Panda, R.M. and **Palita, S.K.** (2019) Chiropteran diversity and key determinants of their distribution in Eastern Ghats, India. ***Biodiversity and Conservation***, 28 (8-9) : 2385- 2404. Publisher: Springer Netherlands. Print ISSN: 0960- 3115Online ISSN: **1572-9710 (Online)**. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10531-019-01715-w> (IF: 3.5)
33. Mahata, A., Samal, K.T. and **Palita, S.K.** (2019) Butterfly diversity in agroforestry plantations of Eastern Ghats of southern Odisha, India. ***Agroforestry Systems***, 93 : 1423-1438. DOI: 10.1007/s10457-018-0258-y. Publisher: Springer Netherlands, Print ISSN 0167-4366; Online ISSN 1572-9680. (<https://doi.org/10.1007/s10457-018-0258-y>). (IF- 2.15)
34. **Palita, S.K.** (2019) Biodiversity of Bats (Chiroptera: Mammalia) in Eastern Ghats of Odisha, India : An ecological Perspective. ***Journal of Biodiversity Management and Forestry***, 8: 37. Doi : 10.4172/2327-4417-C1-002. ISSN. 2327-4417.

35. Debata, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2019) Bat fauna (Mammalia: Chiroptera) of southern Odisha along the Eastern Ghats, India. ***Proceedings of Zoological Society***, 72 (4):420-429. ISSN 0373-5893 DOI : 10.1007/s12595-018-0272-0 (Publisher: Springer Netherlands.) (**UGC Care Listed and SCOPUS Indexed**)
36. Patra, K., Panda, D. and Palita, **S.K.** (2018) Ethnomedicinal Practices of Kondh of Eastern Ghats. **Adivasi (Journal of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Research and Training Institute (SCSTRTI))**, Bhubaneswar, Odisha), 58 (1&2): 9-14. ISSN: **2277-7245**.
37. Debata, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2018) Inventory of Chiropteran fauna in Bhubaneswar City, Eastern India. ***Hayati Journal of Bioscience***, 25 (3): 1-7. ISSN: 1978-3019. DOI:10.4308.hjb.25.3.1 (**IF- 0.034**)
38. Debata, S., Purohit, S., Mahat, A., Jena, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2018) Mugger Crocodile *Crocodylus palustris* Lesson, 1831 (Reptile: Crocodylia: Crocodylidae) in River Saberi of Godavari system in Southern Odisha, India: Conservation Implications. ***Journal of Threatened Taxa***, 10 (6) : 11770-11774. DOI: [http://dx.doi.org/ 10.11609/jott.3974.10.6.11770-11774](http://dx.doi.org/10.11609/jott.3974.10.6.11770-11774) (Online) **CARE Listed and SCOPUS Indexed**
39. De, K. and **Palita, S.K.** (2018) A checklist of spiders from six sacred groves in southern Odisha, India. ***SERKET (The Arachnological Bulletin of the Middle East and North Africa)***, 16 (1): 30-40. ISSN: 1110-502X (**International**) (**UGC Journal No. 11398**)
40. Purohit, S., Nair, M.V. and **Palita, S.K.** (2017) Occurrence of Black Baza *Aviceda leuphotes* Dumont, 1820 (Aves : Falconiformes: Accipitridae) in Gupteswar Forest of Eastern Ghats, Odisha, India. ***Journal of Threatened Taxa***, 7(8): 7477–7479; DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.11609/JoTT.o4247.7477-9>. ISSN 0974-7893 (Print); ISSN 0974-7907 (Online) (**International**) (**UGC Journal No. 11398**) (**IF- 0.440**)
41. Debata, S. and **Palita, S.K.** (2017) Distribution, population status and threats of nationally threatened Cantor's leaf-nosed bat *Hipposideros galeritus* Cantor, 1846 in eastern India. ***Journal of Asia-Pacific Biodiversity***, 10: 426-430. doi: 10.1016/j.japb.2017.05.003. [ISSN (Print): 2287884x, E-ISSN-22879544] (**International**) (**UGC Journal No. 48900**) (**SJR: 0.310**)
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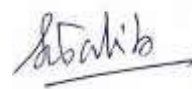
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