

Rediscovery and updated distribution of *Lycodon septentrionalis* from Mizoram state, northeast India

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Table 1. Morphometry (in mm) and scalation (left/right) data of *Lycodon septentrionalis* from Mizoram state * indicates broken tail

Voucher Number	MZMU 1054	MZMU 1501	MZMU 1062	MZMU 1063
Sex	Male	Male	Unsexed	Unsexed
Eye Diameter	1.32	3.28	1.19	1.20
Eye-nostril distance	1.55	5.56	1.82	1.48
Snout width	2.21	5.72	2.69	2.12
Snout length	1.21	2.90	1.28	0.93
Head length	6.48	23.40	6.22	6.02
Head width	5.42	14.07	5.44	3.65
Snout-vent length	187	957	214	148
Tail-length	34*	235	48	39
Relative tail length	0.154	0.197	0.183	0.217
Total length	221	1192	262	266
Ventrals	213	217	204	225
Subcaudals	51*	80	70	82
Dorsal scale rows	17:17:15	17:17:15	17:17:15	17:17:15
Supralabials	8/8	8/8	8/8	8/8
Supralabial touching eye	3rd–5th	3rd–5th	3rd–5th	3rd–5th
Infralabials	9/9	9/9	9/9	9/9
loreal scale	1+1	1/1	1+1	1+1
Temporals	2+3/2+3	2+3/2+3	2+3/2+3	2+3/2+3
Postoculars	2/2	2/2	2/2	2/2
Preocular	1/1	1/1	1/1	1/1
Anal shield	2	2	2	2
Bands (body + tail)	17+7	25+9	18+8	19+6

Table 2. Details of ten newly collected specimens of *Lycodon septentrionalis* in Mizoram state, north-east India

Place	Altitude (m asl)	Grid reference	Voucher no.	Gender/stage	Length (mm)		Collector	Date
					SVL	Tail		
1. Sawleng, Aizawl District	1,174	23° 58'51.09" N, 92° 55'41.82" E	MZMU 1054	Juvenile male (Fig 1A)	187	34	T.B.C. Biakhlnmawia	2/10/2013
2. Durtlang, Aizawl District	1,281	23° 47'57.72" N, 92° 43'42.45" E	MZMU 1062	Juvenile unsexed (Fig 1B)	214	48	Vanlalhraia	19/7/2014
3. Chandmari West, Aizawl District	945	23° 44'45.16" N, 92° 43'3.16" E	MZMU 1063	Juvenile unsexed (Fig 1C)	148	39	Doma Hnamte	20/7/2014
4. Mamit Jail road, Mamit District	868	23° 57'15.21" N, 92° 29'28.11" E	MZMU 1501	Adult male (Fig 1D)	957	235	Paul L. Hmar	28/8/2019
5. Hunthar, Aizawl District	1,000	23° 44'32" N, 92° 42'55" E	-	Juvenile unsexed (Fig 1E)	-	-	Doma Hnamte	20/7/2014
6. Khawbung, Champhai District	1,310	23° 10'09" N, 93° 13'09" E	-	Juvenile unsexed (Fig 1F)	-	-	Mapuia Hnamte	10/11/2014
7. P.T.S. Thenzawl, Serchhip District	754	23° 17'00" N, 92° 44'53" E	-	Juvenile unsexed (Fig 1G)	-	-	Sangtea Ralte Lelhchhun	22/7/2017
8. Khawrihnmim, Aizawl District	1,090	23° 37'28" N, 92° 37'25" E	-	Adult unsexed (Fig 1H)	-	-	Rodinmawia Chawngthu	13/9/2019
9. Pangzawl, Hnahthial District	703	23° 05'00" N, 92° 54'02" E	-	Juvenile unsexed	-	-	Ruatfela Hlondo	4/11/2018
10. Dampui, Mamit District	979	23° 48'58" N, 92° 29'32" E	-	Juvenile unsexed	-	-	Angaiha Chawngthu	17/10/2019