

Supplementary Material S1

Mapping the distribution of the endemic Madras hedgehog *Paraechinus nudiventris* from Tamil Nadu in India

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SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 1

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR UNDERSTANDING PEOPLE'S PERCEPTION TO MADRAS HEDGEHOG'S (*PARAECHINUS NUDIVENTRIS*)

NATURAL HISTORY, HABITS, ABUNDANCE, ECOLOGY, THREATS AND CONSERVATION STATUS IN TAMIL NADU, INDIA.

Target:
Villagers

Date:

Area:

Interviewer name:

Interview start and end time:

Part 1: Demographics

1. Respondent information:

Name:

Sex: M/F

Age:

Village:

Tahsil:

District:

Ethnicity/tribe/community:

Religion:

Occupation:

Primary source of Income:

Pets kept:

Address: _____

Contact no & E mail: _____

Part 2: People's perception about Madras Hedgehogs

1. Have you seen the animals from these images? Yes / No

2. If yes, are they found in or around your village?

3. Are hedgehogs living in your district? Yes / No

If yes, then when and where?

Do you know if they are found in any other district?

Sighting details

Location	Year	Month

4. Have you ever seen a hedgehog as roadkill? Yes / No
If yes, where did you see the roadkill?
When: _____, Where: _____
5. What is a best time to see hedgehogs?
A) Early morning (12 AM – 6 AM)
B) Morning (6 AM – 12 PM)
C) Afternoon (12 PM – 4 PM)
D) Evening (4 PM – 6 PM)
E) Night (6 PM – 12 AM)
6. What is a good season to see hedgehogs? Summer / Rainy / Winter
7. In which of the following places have you seen a hedgehog?
A) Village
B) Farmland
C) Scrubs
D) Forest area
E) Road
F) Others, if yes please provide details.
8. Is hedgehog a pet? Yes / No
9. Are hedgehog body parts used by humans? Yes / No
If yes, can you please specify which of the following body parts are used?
A) Skin B) Spines C) Meat D) Others
10. Is there any poaching or hunting of hedgehogs in our area? Yes / No
11. Have there been any changes in the population of hedgehogs in the last 10 years?
A) Rare B) Uncommon C) Increased D) Don't know
12. What are the reasons for population decline of hedgehogs? Share your opinions.
13. What measures should be taken for the conservation of hedgehogs?
14. Do you like hedgehogs? Can they be seen in farmland? Do they affect the grains in the field?

15. If you have more information about hedgehogs, please share with us?
