## <u>List of Common Frogs and Toads found at Gurukula Botanical Sanctuary.</u>

Toads			
Species	Preferred Habitat at GBS	Notes	
Common Indian Toad Bufo melanostictus	Garden	Uncommon. Terrestrial. 60mm in length (but can be larger). Nocturnal. Hides in cool dark crannies during day. Brown-grey with reddish patches in colour and skin has many black spinetipped warts.	
Frogs			
Species	Preferred Habitat at GBS	Notes	
Common Tree Frog	Trees in Garden	Common. Arboreal.	
Polypedates maculatus		Brown-yellow frog, with	
		yellow spots on back on	
		thighs. 50-80mm in length.	
		Seen often at night near	
		ponds at breeding time.	
Malabar Gliding Frog	Trees in Garden	Common. Arboreal. Green	
Rhacophorus malabaricus		above and whitish under,	
1		with red webbing between	
		toes. 67-78mm in length.	
		Seen often at night near	
		ponds at breeding time.	
Beddome's Frog	Garden	Uncommon. Terrestrial. Up	
Indirana beddomii		to 50mm in	
Indian Cricket Frog	Garden	Common. Terrestrial.	
Limnonectes limnocharis		Brown with darker	
		markings and warty,	
		sometimes with cream	
		vertebral stripe. 35mm in	
		length. Seen on paths in	
		lower garden. Good	
		jumper!	
Bicoloured Frog	Everywhere, Old forest	Most common frog here.	
Rana curtipes		Terrestrial. Pinkish, dead-	
1		leaf colour with black spots	
		above and black below.	
		50mm in length. Mostly	
		seen in leaf-litter. Sluggish	
		movements.	

Bronze Frog	Garden, Crenita ponds	Common. Semi-aquatic.
Rana temporalis		50-80mm in length. Light-
		brown above, cream below,
		and limbs with dark cross
		bands.

NB: Due to inadequate literature available on amphibians these are the only frogs we have been able to identify, though there are several remaining species to be correctly identified.

## **References:**

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