## **Museum & Taxidermy Section**

Museum and Taxidermy section maintains the seven Zoological galleries present in Indian Museum Kolkata. Along with the Museum exhibits, it has Reserve and Loan collections in the Taxidermy Section. The section has a total holding comprising 2939 General Collections and one Type Collection (Whole skeleton of Common Minke Whale) display in the Mammal Gallery of Indian Museum.

## Exhibits of Zoological Galleries of Indian Museum, Kolkata

**INVERTEBRATE GALLERY:** 16 showcases with 497 models/ Exhibits (Protozoa to Echinodermata and Minor Phyla). Also having **10 small monitors for details of the Showcases and 3 monitors for various information.** 

**BIRD GALLERY:** 20 showcases with 441 Birds (Indian Birds: 156 species, foreign birds: 60 species). Also having 4 kiosks for details of the Showcases.

FISH GALLERY: 17 showcase 68 species.

AMPHIBIA AND REPTILES: Six showcases with 41 reptiles and 20 Amphibians.

MAMMAL GALLERY: 314 exhibits.

**ECOSYSTEM GALLERY:** 11 ecosystems (Marine, Coniferous, High Altitude, Mangrove, Scrubland, Desert, Terai Grassland, Riparian, Wetland, Deciduous and Tropical rain Forest) with 153 exhibits.

## Facilities available for Citizens

- The Zoological galleries open for public from 10 AM. to 6 PM.
- All the labels in the galleries were written in Hindi, English and Bengali languages.
- 10 small monitors and 3 large monitors were installed for public on various information regarding the Invertebrate gallery.
- 4 kiosks were installed in Bird gallery for public on detailed information of the Showcases.
- All the Seven galleries were under CCTV surveillance (73 CCTVS).