

Bio-diversity of Termites in Bhadrachalam Forest Region, Khammam District, Andhra Pradesh

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ABSTRACT Termites are an integral part of the extensive subterranean fauna of tropical forests. They play a very important role in forestry and fall into two distinct divisions such as termites that play a beneficial role and termites that cause injury to forestry termites diversity and that cause injury to forestry are discussed in this paper. The study was conducted with an objective of investigating the termite species diversity in Bhadrachalam region of Dhadakarnyam forest in Khammam district, Andhra Pradesh. Termites were sampled with a standardized 100x2 m straight belt transect at three undisturbed forest sites. A total of 13 species were collected from different parts of the plants, on dead wood litter, dead tree stumps and leaf litter, logs and living trees