

Table 3.9.2 :Estimated number of described Fauna from India

Taxonomic group	No. of species		% in India
	World	India	
PROTISTA (Protozoa)	31250	2577	8.24
ANIMALIA			
Mesozoa	71	10	14.08
Porifera	4562	500	10.7
Cnidaria	9916	842	8.49
Ctenophora	100	12	12
Platyhelminthes	17500	1622	9.22
Nemertinea	600	-	-
Rotifera	2500	330	13.2
Gastrotricha	3000	100	3.33
Kinorhyncha	100	10	10
Nematoda	30000	2850	9.5
Nematomorpha	250	-	-
Acanthocephala	800	229	28.62
Sipuncula	145	35	24.14
Mollusca	66535	5072	7.62
Echiura	127	43	33.86
Annelida	12700	840	6.61
Onychophora	100	1	1
Arthropoda	987949	68389	6.9
Crustacea	35534	2934	8.26
Insecta	867351	61151	6.9
Arachnida	73440	5818	7.9
Pycnogonida	600	16	2.67
Paupoda	360	-	-
Chilopoda	3000	100	3.33
Diplopoda	7500	162	2.16
Symphyla	120	4	3.33
Merostomata	4	2	50
Phoronida	11	3	27.27
Bryozoa (Ectoprocta)	4000	200	5
Entoprocta	60	10	16.66
Brachiopoda	300	3	1
Pogonophora	80	-	-
Priapulida	8	-	-
Pentastomida	70	-	-
Chaetognatha	111	30	27.02
Tardigrada	514	30	5.83
Echinodermata	6223	765	12.29
Hemichordata	120	12	10
Chordata	48451	4994	10.4
Protochordata	2106	119	5.65
Pisces	21723	2546	11.72
Amphibia	5150	240	4.66
Reptilia	5817	460	7.91
Aves	9026	1232	13.66
Mammalia	4629	397	8.58
Total (Animalia)	1196853	88391	7.25
Grand Total (Protista+ Animalia)	1228103	91206*	7.43