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Barred kukri snake at eastern MacRitchie

Subject: Barred kukri snake, Oligodon signatus (Reptilia: Serpentes: Colubridae).

Subject identified by: Contributors.

Location, date and time: Singapore Island, Central Catchment Nature Reserve, MacRitchie forest near Venus Drive; 27 January 2015; around 2107 hrs.

Habitat: Secondary forest.

Observer: Contributors.

Observation: An example of about 25 cm total length was found on the forest floor. It is shown in the attached photograph.

Remarks: Two examples of this locally rare snake were recently recorded from the forests off the northern and southern shores of the MacRitchie Reservoir (Thomas & Chua, 2014). The present record is also from the northern part of the MacRitchie forest along its eastern periphery.

Reference: Thomas, N. & J. Chua, 2014. Barred kukri snakes at MacRitchie forest. *Singapore Biodiversity Records*. 2014: 163-164.



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