



Climate Change may Kill Dozens of Lizard Species

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A new research has asserted the adverse effect of climate change on a number of species of lizards as they are expected to get extinct within next 50 years.

The research was conducted by the University of Exeter and the University of Lincoln and it was le viviparous reproduction are at a major risk from the climate changes. Viviparous reproduction is a retains the embryo within her body.

The scientists evaluated transition in lizards' reproductive modes and projected the impact of climate then learnt that increase in temperature could result in reduction in distribution of these species.

Subsequently, these lizards will be facing extinction within next five decades. "As the climate warms, we predict that these special lizards will move upwards and towards the pole, with an increased risk of extinction", asserted Dr. Dave Hodgson, from Biosciences at the University of Lincoln.

Dr. Daniel Pincheira-Donoso from the University of Lincoln's School of Life Sciences, who was also the lead author of the study, said reptiles' survival is largely dependent on the climatic temperatures and therefore, changing climatic can pose threat to their existence. He is involved in work on the evolution of these lizard species.

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