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Firefly Survey

On the occasion of World Firefly Day, a firefly survey was conducted on 2nd and 3rd July 2023. A link of survey was prepared using ArcGlS survey 123 software. The link was uploaded on Wildlife Institute of India official website, WII Instagram page and also circulated through personal contacts. A total of 93 participants participated in the survey from which 92 were from India and one from Freiburg (Germany). The total number of fireflies sighted was 7,181 from 14 states of India. All the states from where we received the data are as follows- Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Haryana, Assam, Mumbai West Bengal, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala (Fig.1.). Maximum participation was seen from Uttarakhand followed by West Bengal.

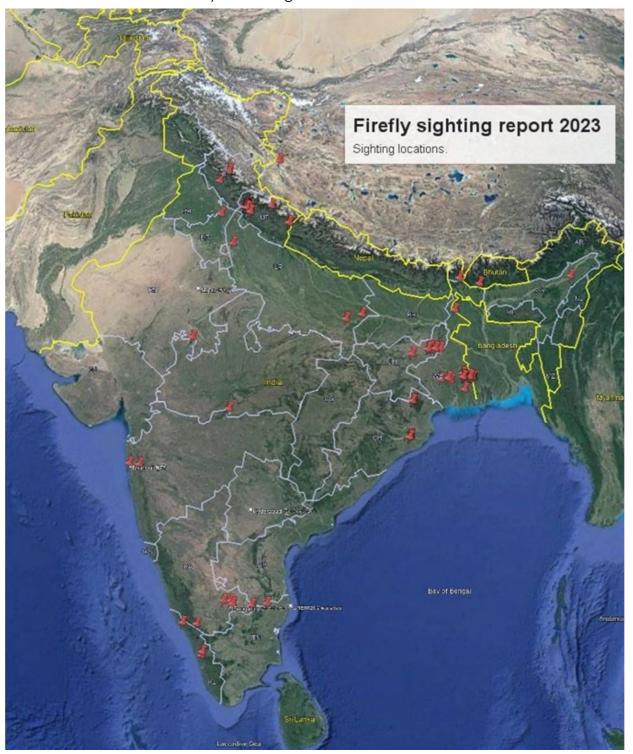


Fig.1. Different fireflies sighting location across India.