

Poisonous animals 2.3 Cat snake

<u>Scientific name</u>: Bioga Trigonata

Other common name: Indian Gamma Snake

Identification:

 Cat snake, are arboreal or semiarboreal rear-fanged <u>snakes</u> in the family <u>Colubridae</u> with <u>eyes having vertically elliptical pupils</u> similar to those found in <u>felines</u>.

- 2. Cat snakes are nocturnal hunters that become active at twilight. By day their pupils are contracted to narrow vertical slits, but as night falls the pupils expand to a nearly circular shape to let in as much light as possible.
- **3.** The body is thin and laterally compressed, and the head is triangular and distinct from the neck.

<u>Nature of venom</u>: Their short rear fangs can deliver a **mild venom** that is <u>not dangerous to</u> <u>humans.</u>