

Farmer rescues endangered lizard at Udalguri



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A [1.5 ft](#) [Water](#) Monitor Lizard (*varanus salvator*) was rescued at Amjuli village under Harisinga P.S. in [Udalguri](#) district at about 11am [Thursday](#). The lizard was spotted by a farmer named Atip Daimari while ploughing his paddy field.

Atip Daimari reported the matter to Girindra [Nath](#) Adhikari, DFO, Dhansiri Forest Division who suggested that the lizard be taken to the Shantipur Forest Beat Office at Shantipur near Corramore [Tea](#) Estate in [Udalguri](#).

The lizard was ultimately handed over for release to Beat Officer Ela Daimari at about 4pm. Speaking to [Assam](#) Times DFO Adhikari said that the lizard rescued falls under Scheduled I and is most endangered. Applauding Atip Daimari's effort he welcomed further such rescues and initiatives.

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