



ICAR- NBAIR celebrating National Moth week 2020

*The National Insect Museum of ICAR- National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bengaluru, India is showcasing the varied moth collection from across the country housed since decades. Hundreds of these moths are mounted delicately and preserved with utmost care and affection to depict our rich biodiversity. The collection is arranged family wise and also according to the economic importance for the species which are associated with agriculturally important crops. The present moth collection is in growing stage and we aim to collect and accommodate many uncovered taxa from various parts of the country. To name few of these enchanting species, we have the most beautiful and vivid atlas moth *Attacus atlas* L., one of the largest saturniid moths known; the enchanting and mesmerizing *Actias selene* (Hübner), the Indian moon moth or Indian luna moth; the weird notodontid moth *Neostauropus alternus* Walker and the confusing sphingid moth *Cephonodes hylas* (L.).*

This video gives a brief glimpse of our collection! [LINK](#)

ICAR- NBAIR wishes you all a delightful watch for the National moth week!

Courtesy: Dr N. Bakthavatsalam (Director) & Dr Ankita Gupta (Museum Incharge).