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Prepared by Dr. M.I. Andrews former HOD, and Research guide, Dept. of Zoology, Marthoma College, Thiruvalla. The guide covers 48 common frogs and five caecilians (limbless amphibian) of Kerala. Dr. M.I. Andrews is passionate on these jumping creatures and the collection is based on his project 'Amphibians of Kerala'

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