# **COMMON SNAKES**

## **OF NABABIEP NATURE RESERVE**





HIGHLY Has caused human fatalities

VENOMOUS

Painful bite, but does not require antivenom

Not thought to be harmful to humans **HARMLESS** 

Not dangerous to humans





VENOMOUS

Puff Adder



Cape Coral Snake (Aspidelaps I. lubricus)



Desert Mountain Adder



Horned Adde

(Naja nigricincta woodi)



Dwarf Beaked Snake



Western Tiger Snake Telescopus polystictus







**HARMLESS** Brown House Snake

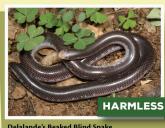
**HARMLESS** 



Common Egg-eater



South-western Shovel-snout



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### **EMERGENCY PROTOCOL**

### IN THE EVENT OF A SNAKE BITE

1 Keep the victim calm, immobilized and transport the victim to the closest hospital without delay.

2 If the victim stops breathing, resort to artificial respiration or make use of a Bag Valve Mask.

3 Call the Poison Information Centre helpline for further advice: 0861 555 777.

### DO NOT -

- ... apply a tourniquet.
- ... cut and suck the wound.
- ... use ice or very hot water.
- ... give the victim alcohol.
- ... apply electric shock.
- ... inject antivenom randomly. Antivenom (if required) must be administered by a doctor in a hospital environment.