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Recently, a new butterfly species was recorded in Arunachal Pradesh and named it as *Euthalia zubeengargi*.

## **About *Euthalia Zubeengargi***

It is a butterfly species discovered in Arunachal Pradesh.

**Habitat:** It is found in semi-evergreen forests at elevations of 600-750 metres

It belongs to the genus *Euthalia*, a group commonly found across South and Southeast Asia. **Appearance:** Members of this group are typically seen in forested habitats and are known for their earthy brown wings marked with pale spots.

It prefers cool, shaded forest interiors.

The butterfly was seen resting on low vegetation, feeding on tree sap and occasionally gathering minerals from damp surfaces near streams.

It appears to be active mainly from late morning to early afternoon, making short, slow flights between nearby plants

*Euthalia zubeengargi* is one of more than 80 species from this group recorded in India's northeastern region.

**Ecological Significance of Butterflies:** These are valuable indicators of the environment, whose health can influence their presence, abundance, and diversity.