

MAJOR RODENT PEST SPECIES WITH THEIR
HABITAT/ BURROW CHARACTERS



Lesser bandicoot
(*Bandicota bengalensis*)



B. bengalensis
burrows with scooped soil



Larger bandicoot
(*Bandicota indica*)



B. Indica
burrow- open and large



Soft furred field rat
(*Millardia meltada*)



M. meltada
Vertical burrow - without scoop



India Field mouse
(*Mus booduga*)



M.booduga
round circular burrows



Common Indian Gerbil,
Tatera Indica



T. indica
burrow complexes



Desert Gerbil,
Meriones hurrianae



M. hurrianae-
burrows in sand dunes



Indian porcupine,
Hystrix indica

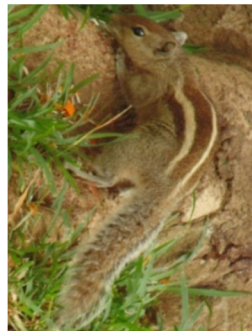


H. indica
habitat-crevices and tunnels

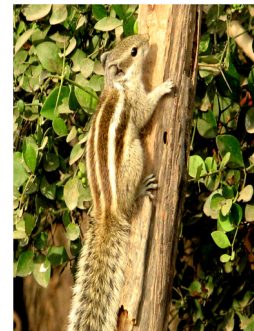
Non-Burrowing rodents



Cocount rat/House rat,
Rattus rattus



3-striped squirrel



5-striped squirrel