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Researchers recently documented a rare bright yellow puffball mushroom named Bovista colorata in Arunachal Pradesh's Longding district.

About Bovista colorata

- Bovista colorata, commonly known as the **yellow puffball mushroom**, is a species of **puffball fungus** belonging to the family Agaricaceae.
- It is generally found in grasslands, open fields, meadows, and disturbed soils.
- **Bovista colorata** has a **spherical shape** and **striking yellow fruiting body**.
- **Unlike conventional mushrooms** that produce spores through gills beneath a cap, **puffball fungi develop spores inside a closed spherical fruiting body**.
 - **As the mushroom matures**, the **internal tissue transforms into a fine powdery mass of spores**, which are **dispersed** through wind, raindrops, or physical disturbance, allowing the species to spread over considerable distances.

- Puffball species play an important ecological role as **decomposers**, aiding nutrient recycling, carbon cycling and soil formation.
- Some species are also known for their **nutritional value and bioactive compounds** with potential medicinal properties.

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