

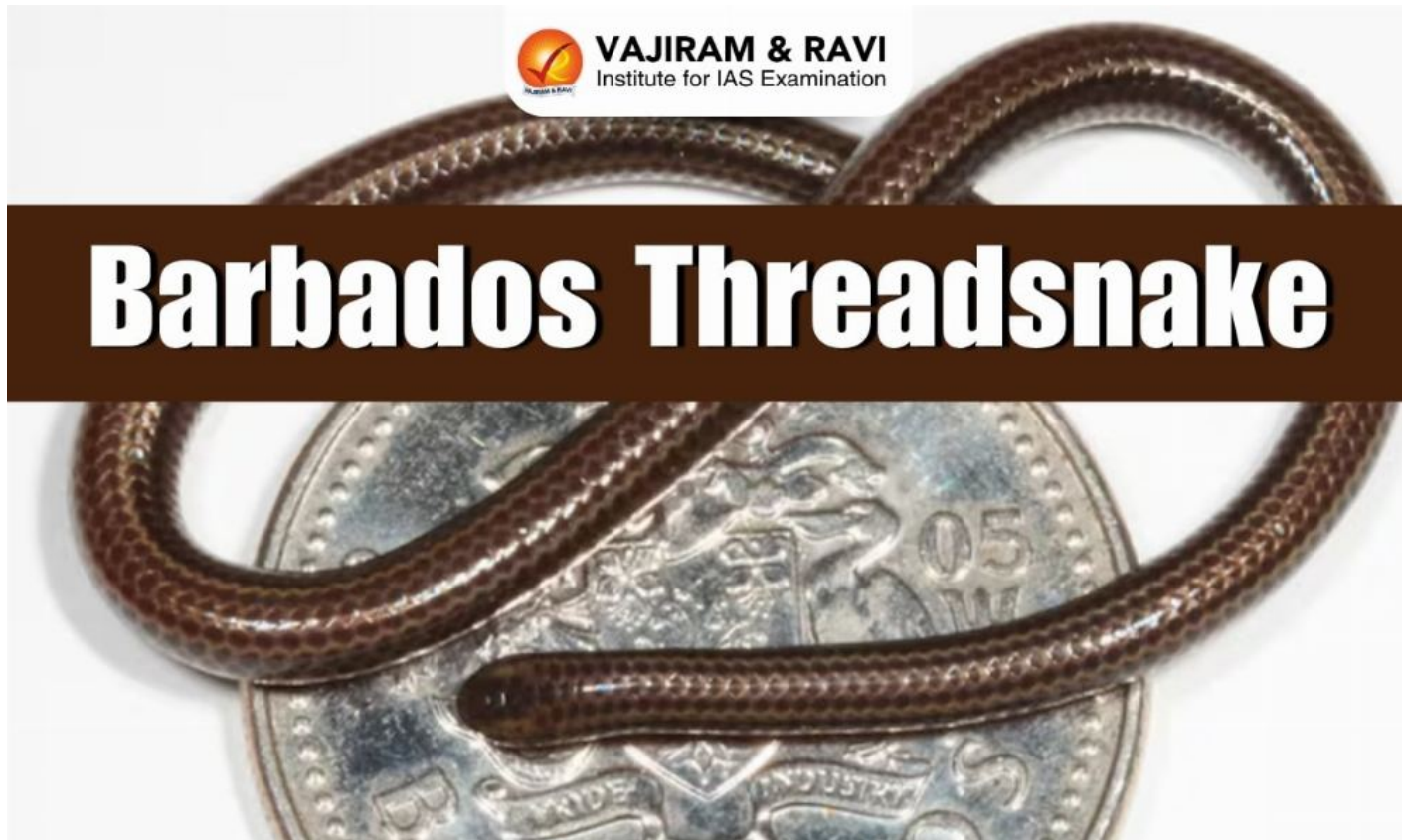
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Barbados Threadsnake Latest News

Recently, the world's smallest known snake Barbados threadsnake was rediscovered after vanishing for decades.

About Barbados Threadsnake

- It is a tiny snake belonging to the **family Leptotyphlopidae**.
- The **snake is blind**, burrows in the ground, eats termites and ants and lays one single, slender egg.

Features of Barbados Threadsnake

- It reaches a maximum adult **length of only 10.4 cm** (4.1 inches) and an average weight of 0.6 g (0.02 ounce), it is thought to be the world's smallest known snake.
- They are solitary fossorial **creatures adapted to burrowing**.
- They **are nocturnal** and during the day usually hide under rocks.
- Due to their diet preferences, they are often found near ant and termite nests.
- The pheromones these snakes produce protect them from attack by termites.

- **Habitat:** Its habitat is most likely **limited to the forests of eastern Barbados**. They inhabit tropical dry forests.
- **Distribution:** Barbados threadsnakes are found on the Caribbean island of Barbados.
- **Diet:** Barbados threadsnakes are carnivores and their diets **consist mostly of termite or ant larvae**.
- **Reproduction:** They are oviparous meaning they lay eggs to reproduce.
- **Conservation Status:** Critically Endangered (IUCN Red List)
- **Threats:** Habitat loss is the main threat to the Barbados threadsnake.

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