



EDITORIAL

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Welcome to Issue 24 of IOTN, in which papers describe threats to sea turtles, including entanglement of adult turtles in fishing gear and potential destruction of nests by vegetation and ants, and an update from the Students Sea Turtle Conservation Network in India. Also described is a new book about sea turtle conservation in India by IOTN founding editor, Kartik Shanker.

As distance prevented many from South and South East Asia from attending the 36th Annual Symposium on Sea Turtle Biology and Conservation held in Lima,

Peru, in April 2016, we encourage you to read the International Sea Turtle Society's President's Report for highlights of the symposium. The 2017 symposium will be held in Las Vegas, USA, and we recommend that those planning to attend apply for an ISTS travel grant to reduce travel costs. IOTN24 also reports on a workshop on the ecology and conservation of sea turtles in the Persian Gulf. Organisers of future conferences and workshops in the Indian Ocean region are encouraged to advertise their event and report its outcomes in IOTN.

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Indian Ocean Turtle Newsletter was initiated to provide a forum for the exchange of information on sea turtle biology and conservation, management and education and awareness activities in the Indian subcontinent, Indian Ocean region, and south/southeast Asia. If you would like to submit a research article, project profile, note or announcement for Issue 25 of IOTN, please email material to iotn.editors@gmail.com before 1st November 2016. Guidelines for submission can be found on the last page of this newsletter or at <http://www.iotn.org/submission.php>.