

## Mwaghavul snakes, lizards and amphibians

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This is a list of reptile names in the Mwaghavul language, spoken around Panyam, in Plateau State, Nigeria. It has yet to be fully updated with results from a workshop held in April 2012.

Mwaghavul	Hausa	Latin	English	Notes
<b>Snakes</b>				
fil fòghól	káásáá		puff-adder	
gók táá	gàmshèkà	<i>Naja nigricollis</i>	spitting cobra	
gong			striped snake	
mìr	méésà		python	
ndàghàn			snake sp.	
ngaar			snake sp.	
ngan		<i>Python sebae</i>	rock python	
nwe			snake sp.	
nwòò àm			water snake sp.	
nwòò cilem			snake sp. totem	
nwòò kùzum			snake sp.	
nwòò long			snake sp.	
nwòò lu			snake sp.	
nwòò rap			striped snake	
nwòò yim			green snake sp.	
pang		<i>Python regius</i>	royal python	
wál juu			snake sp.	
wur yil			blind snake sp.	
zem			snake sp.	
<b>Lizards</b>				
cáp			male agama lizard	also <b>ncáp</b>
cim	damo	<i>Varanus exanthematicus</i>	monitor lizard sp.	also <b>daa cim</b>
đang	guza	<i>Varanus niloticus</i>	water monitor	
gól			female lizard	also <b>ngol</b>
kam long			worm lizard ?	
kút			crocodile	
likàng	kadangare	<i>Agama agama</i>	male agama lizard	also <b>nlíkàng</b>
mbuwo		<i>Agama sankaranica</i>	agama lizard sp.	
nafoolii			female lizard	
ndàm dwàghàr			gecko sp.	
ndàm isìr			gecko sp.	
ndàm shwar			gecko sp.	
ndùù	kulba		skink	
ndùù ning			skink sp.	also <b>ndùùníí</b>
ngàng ràghàp	hawainiya		chameleon	
tìbilák			lizard sp.	
wolong			? legless skink	? or amphisbaenid
<b>Tortoises</b>				
kúr			tortoise, turtle	also <b>dàà kúr</b>
<b>Frogs etc.</b>				

lumwát  
mbìì ret

kwadó

toad  
toad sp.

also **nlùmwat**  
lit. 'good thing'.  
Toads and frogs  
considered good.  
This gives rise to  
the saying  
**mbùbish tu**  
**mbùret** (the bad  
thing destroys the  
good thing)

nningkoro  
zàrgong  
zhwáár

frog sp.  
frog sp.  
frog sp.

also **nzàrhong**