

## A note from Dr R K Pachauri

The world of animals and insects is truly wondrous. If we delve a little deeper, we will be amazed at the similarities between their ways and ours. In fact, at times their industriousness, skill, resourcefulness, and knowledge are awe-inspiring.

This series focuses on the unique world of animals and insects, revealing their incredible habits and amazing skills. Ants that build colonies, worms that produce light, tiny polyps that build huge reefs under water—these are just some of the myriad examples to show that nature never ceases to amaze.

While revealing little-known facts and amazing secrets of the animal world, these books will entertain and enrich young minds. I hope that as they leaf through the pages, readers will also feel inspired to protect the beautiful world brought to life within these covers. More importantly, I look forward to these books making young readers realize that the world of animals is meant to be explored and appreciated rather than destroyed for selfish reasons.

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