

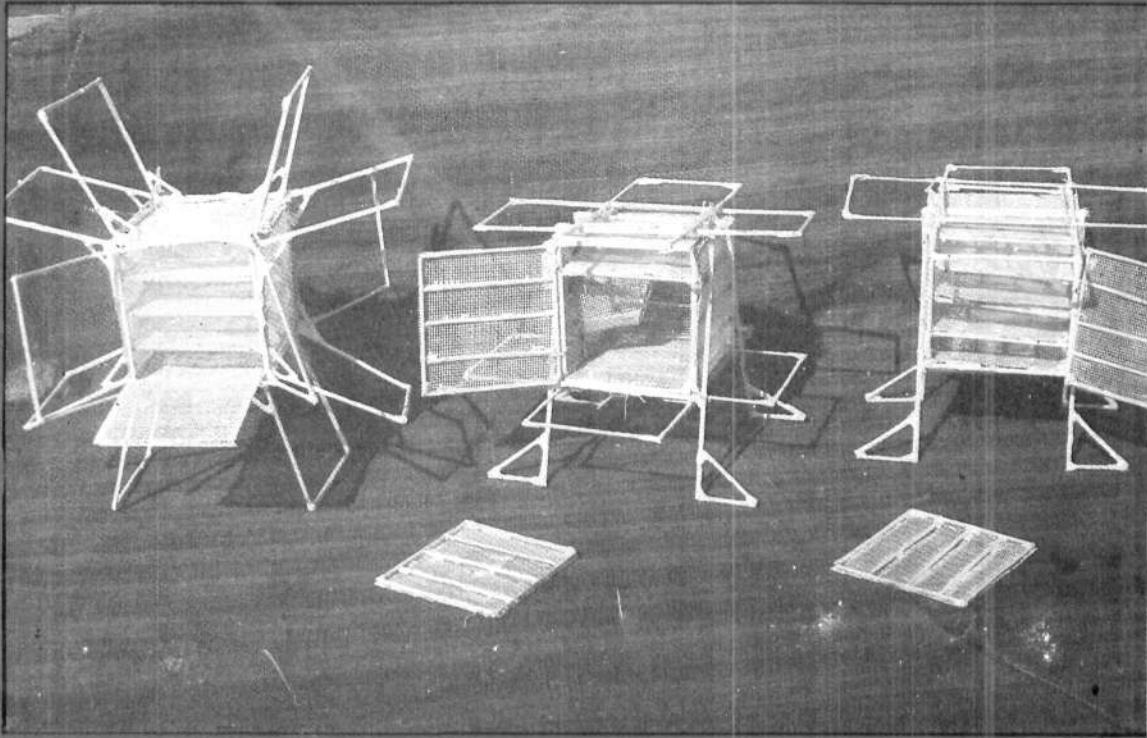


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**871 On the landing of a giant grouper at Paradeep and strandings of dead turtles along Paradeep and Puri coasts, Orissa**

A giant grouper, *Epinephalus lanceolatus* (Bloch) (*Promicrops lanceolatus*) locally called 'Kaibaley' measuring 202 cm in total length was landed at Paradeep on 18-12-'97 by a trawler operated 12 km south of Paradeep (Fig. 1). The fish with an approximate weight



Fig. 1. The giant groupers landed at Paradeep, Orissa.

of 150 kg was sold for Rs. 400/-. Few morphometric measurements taken in cm on the specimen are given below.

Total length	-	202
Standard length	-	168
Head length	-	75.5
Body depth	-	68.0
Snout length	-	15.0
Length of upper jaw	-	33.5
Eye diameter	-	5.2
Pectoral fin length	-	36.0

Three dead olive ridged turtles, *Leipidochelys olivacea* locally known as 'Kaincha' were stranded during December '97 along Puri and Paradeep coasts the particulars of which are given below.

Date of stranding	Place	Carapace length (cm)	Carapace width (cm)
11-12-'97	Puri north	64	56
17-12-'97	Paradeep	64	57
19-12-'97	Paradeep	65	55

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