



NEW EARLY EOCENE CAMBAYTHERE (PERISSODACTYLA, MAMMALIA) FROM THE VASTAN LIGNITE MINE (GUJARAT, INDIA) AND AN EVALUATION OF CAMBAYTHERE RELATIONSHIPS

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ABSTRACT

A new collection of cambaytheres (Perissodactyla: Mammalia) from the early Eocene (Ypresian, ca. 52 Ma) deposits at the Vastan Lignite Mine, Gujarat, is described. The collection comprises both lower and upper dentitions, postcranials, and the rostrum of a new taxon (*Kalitherium marinus* n. gen. and n. sp.) from a higher stratigraphic level in the Vastan Lignite Mine. These specimens expand our knowledge of the cambaythere anatomy and also help to confirm their perissodactyl affinities.

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