RAMPHOTYPHLOPS BRAMINUS (Brahminy Blind Snake).
THAILAND: RAYONG PROVINCE: Ko Samet (Samet Island).
15597. Verified by Van Wallach. DOR being attacked by ants when
found in the morning on a forest path near a cliff overhanging the
sea by about 50 m. First island record and second provincial record
(Niyomwan 1999, Species Diversity, Morphology and Habitat
Types of Blind Snakes [Family Typhlopidae] in Thailand. Master
of Science Thesis, Dept. Biology, Faculty of Science,
Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok. vi +141 pp. [in Thai with
English summary]). In Thailand, species has already been recorded
from 36 of the 76 provinces scattered over the country, but not yet
from Roi Et and surrounding provinces in the easternmost part
(Niyomwan, op. cit.). This is probably due to a lack of collecting
effort there, because R. braminus is widely distributed in the area
just east of Thailand, such as Cambodia and Laos (Welch 1988,
Florida. vii + 183 pp.).

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