Electronic Supplementary Material (ESI) for New Journal of Chemistry. This journal is © The Royal Society of Chemistry and the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique 2017

## **Supplementary Information**

## High lithium anodic performance of N-doped porous bio-carbon integrated indium-sulfide thin nano sheets

V. Selvamani<sup>ad</sup>, V. Suryanarayanan<sup>ac\*</sup>, D. Velayutham<sup>ac</sup> and S. Gopukumar<sup>bc\*</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Electrochemical Process Engineering Division, CSIR-Central Electrochemical Research

Institute, Karaikudi, 630 003, India.

<sup>b</sup>Electrochemical Power Sources Division,CSIR-Central Electrochemical Research Institute,

Karaikudi, 630 003, India.

<sup>c</sup>CSIR-Network Institutes of Solar Energy (CSIR-NISE), Karaikudi, 630 003, India.

<sup>d</sup>Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research (AcSIR), CSIR-CECRI, Karaikudi, 630 003, India

\*Corresponding authors: Tel - +91-4565 241424 Fax: +91 4565 227779.
E-mail: gopukumar@cecri.res.in&smbtapsun@gmail.com
(Dr.S.Gopukumar)
E-mail: surya@cecri.res.in
(Dr. V. Suryanarayanan)



**Fig. S1**. (**a,d**) XPS survey spectrum and EdaX spectrum of PCInS composite respectively, (**b,c**) expanded view of survey spectrum.



**Fig. S2**. EDS mapping of PCInS composite (In, blue), (S, dark Teal) (C, red) and mixed composite.



**Fig. S3.** TEM images pristine InS (**a**) and porous carbon wrapped InS pedals (**b,c**), HR-TEM images of pristine InS (**d**) and porous carbon integrated indium sulfide (ie. PCInS) (**e,f**); (inset: high magnification)



**Fig. S4.** (**a**, **b**) Isotherm profiles for pristine InS and PCInS composite materials. (inset: pore size distribution)



**Fig. S5.** (**a**, **b**) Selected cycling profile for PCInS composite and pristine InS material at current density of 0.5 A  $g^{-1}$  respectively, (**c**) Real time application of PCInS composite anode material containing Li-ion half-cell.



Fig. S6. (a, b) formation cycles for PCInS and Pristine InS material



**Fig.** S7. (**a**, **b**) and (**c**, **d**) cycling profile at different current densities and steady state cycling at high current densities for PCInS and pristine InS material respectively.



**Fig. S8.** (**a**, **b**) EIS study of PCInS composite and pristine InS before and after cycling respectively.