

## NEW RECORDS OF NEPALESE ODNATA IN 1986

A great deal of interesting material was received from Nepal during 1986, especially as much of it was collected in the inadequately researched regions of the low-lying Terai in the vicinity of the Royal Chitwan National Park in central Nepal and along the Mai Valley in the east. The records listed below are either of species new for the Nepalese fauna (asterisked \*) or species for which very few previous records exist. Eleven taxa are recorded from Nepal for the first time in this paper, bringing the total to about 160. It can confidently be predicted that more extensive collecting, especially in the Terai, should produce a final total approaching 200. All of the material listed below was collected by Colin Smith and his Nepalese helpers.

Euphaeidae — *Bayadera longicauda* Fr. (\*) — 2 males were collected near Pokhara on the Kali Lekh at 1860 m on 27-V and agree with the type from Gangtok, Sikkim in the B.M. Coll.

Coenagrionidae — *Agriocnemis clauseni* Fr. (\*) — found commonly at 200 m in the Mahendra Forest in Chitwan on 5-III and on Rupakot Tal (640 m) in the Pokhara region on 16-IX, the specimens closely matching T.B. Fletcher's material from Assam taken in 1919; — *Coenagrion dyeri* Fr. (\*) — a single male was found on Rupakot Tal on 1-XI; — *Onychargia atrocyana* Sel. — one of each sex was taken at Taraha (200 m) in the eastern Terai near Dharan Bazaar on 9-V; — *Pseudagrion bengalense* Laid. (\*) — two males taken at Rupakot Tal conform fairly closely to this somewhat variable taxon although the inferior appendages were found to be slightly less acute than those of specimens from (e.g.) Hasimara Tea Estate, Duars taken by H.V. O'Donel in the B.M. Coll.

Platycnemididae — *Copera assamensis* Laid. (\*) — one of each sex was collected in the Royal Chitwan National Park at 200 m on 3-III. The undilated tibiae of the males render this

taxon quite distinct from *C. marginipes* (Ramb.) which also occurs in Chitwan.

Gomphidae — *Paragomphus lindgreni* Fr. (\*) — on 9-V a male of this taxon was taken at Taraha (Dharan), the black anal appendages providing an easy field character which may be used to separate it from its congener *P. lineatus* (Sel.) which is common in the eastern Terai; — *Perissogomphus stevensi* Laid. (\*) — several of each sex were found in the Upper Mai Valley on the Puakhola on 2-V and agree well with Darjeeling specimens in the B.M. Coll.

Cordulegastridae — *Anotogaster b. basalis* Sel. — a female was captured in the Langtang Khola at 2150 m on 4-VII. Although F.C. FRASER (1929 *Mem. Ind. Mus.*, 9: 69-167) mentions Nepal under the distribution of this species (as. ssp. *palampurensis* Fr.), more recent records appear to be lacking. The specimen conforms more closely to the type subspecies than to ssp. *palampurensis*.

Corduliidae — *Epophthalmia f. frontalis* Sel. (\*) — occurred in the Pokhara region on both Rupakot and Phewa Lakes from IV to VI; this is the first record of the genus for Nepal; — *Macromia flavocolorata* Fr. (\*) — a male of this taxon was caught at Royal Chitwan National Park on 8-XI and conforms well with material from Assam and Bengal in the B.M. Coll.; — *Macromia* sp. close to *malleifera* Lieft. (\*) — taken on 8-XI, also at Chitwan, is quite distinct from this specimen of *flavocolorata* and also from *M. moorei* Sel. (the only *Macromia* previously recorded from Nepal).

Libellulidae — *Lyriothemis bivittata* Ramb. (\*) — a male was found in the eastern Terai at Sukani (210 m) in the Lower Mai Valley on 28-IV and another male was taken at Rupakot Tal on 25-VI.

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