

TWO NEW ODONATE RECORDS FOR THE WESTERN HIMALAYA, INDIA (ANISOPTERA: MACRODIPLACTIDAE, LIBELLULIDAE)

Recently, while studying the odonate assemblage of Asan Reservoir, a man-made water body (surface ca 4 km²) in the western Dehra Dun Valley (cf. A. MITRA, 1996, *Ann. Forestry, Dehra Dun* 4[2]: 139-144), I came across 2 species that were not previously recorded from the Western Himalaya (cf. e.g. A. KUMAR & M. PRASAD, 1981, *Rec. zool. Surv. India* [Misc. Publ. occ. Pap.] 20: 1-118). These are brought on record here.

The specimens will be deposited in the National Zoological Collection, maintained by

Northern Regional Station, Zoological Survey of India, Dehra Dun.

Urothemis s. signata (Ramb.) — 1 ♂, 20-VI-1998.

This single mature male differs slightly from the description of F.C. FRASER (1936, *The fauna of British India: Odonata*, Vol. 3, Taylor & Francis, London): its abdomen is shorter (26 mm), pterostigma ochreous above and below, and the 1st abdominal segment is broadly blackish-brown.

The species was known previously from Assam, Meghalaya, W. Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Orissa, Maharashtra and throughout peninsular India (M. PRASAD & R.K. VARSHNEY, 1995, *Orient. Ins.* 29: 385-428). My record is extending its range to the Garhwal area of Uttar Pradesh.

Diplacodes lefebvrei (Ramb.) — 1 ♂, 20-VI-1998; 1 ♂, 1 ♀, 2-VII-1998.

So far the species was known from Chandigarh, Rajasthan and from southern India (PRASAD & VARSHNEY, *op cit.*).

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