

**LIST AND DISTRIBUTIONAL RECORDS
OF SOME DAMSELFLIES OF THE FAISA-
LABAD DISTRICT, PAKISTAN (ZYGOP-
PTERA)**

The last taxonomic work on the Zygoptera of the undivided India was done by F.F. LAIDLAW (1921, *Rec. Ind. Mus.* 19: 145-163) and F.C. FRASER (1933-1934, *Fauna of British India, Odonata*, vols 1-2, Taylor & Francis, London), though they did not include in their surveys many of the areas now comprising Pakistan. In view of this, systematic work on the Zygoptera of Pakistan has been initiated in the Department of Entomology, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad.

The district is an alluvial plain of recent formation. Its climate is hot and dry in summer and cold in winter. The temperature varies considerably; it may touch the 50° C (122° F) mark in summer, while it may drop below the freezing point in winter. There are plenty of water reservoirs, drain nullahs and marshy places. The Ravi and Chenab rivers flow on its eastern and western boundaries, respectively.

The material was collected (1978-1979) at 5 localities. The identified specimens are deposited in the Entomology Museum, University of Agriculture, Faisalabad.

Coenagrionidae: *Agriocnemis pygmaea* (Ramb.) (5 ♂, 4 ♀, Univ. Agric. Campus, Aminpur and Chak 70 G.B., 31-VIII/23-XI-1978); — *Ceriagrion cerinorubellum* (Br.) (1 ♂, Univ. Agric. Campus, 13-VIII-1979, very rare); — *C. coromandelianum* (F.) (1 ♂, 6 ♀, Aminpur, 9-VI/12-VIII-1978, 2 ♂, 2 ♀, 4-VI-1979); — *Ischnura aurora* (Br.) (30 ♂, 22 ♀, Univ. Agric. Campus, Aminpur, Chak 156 G.B. and Chak 70 G.B., 8-VI/13-XI-1978); — *I. sene-*

galensis (Ramb.) (31 ♂, 46 ♀, Univ. Agric. Campus, Aminpur, Chak 156 G.B. and Chak 70 G.B., 8-VI/17-XI-1978; 2 ♂, 2 ♀, Chak 70 G.B., 29-IV-1979); — *Pseudagrion decorum* (Ramb.) (20 ♂, 7 ♀, Railway Pond, Aminpur, Chak 70 G.B., Chak 156 G.B. and Univ. Agric. Campus, 1-VI/23-XI-1978); — *P. laidlawi* Fraser (52 ♂, 17 ♀, Univ. Agric. Campus, Aminpur, Chak 156 G.B. and Chak 70 G.B., 1-VI/12-XI-1978; 2 ♂, 1 ♀, Chak 70 G.B., 29-IV-1979); — *P. rubriceps* Selys (17 ♂, 6 ♀, Univ. Agric. Campus, Railway Pond, Chak 70 G.B., Chak 156 G.B. and Aminpur, 1-VI/12-XI-1978); — *P. spencei* Fraser (7 ♂, 1 ♀, Railway Pond, Aminpur, Chak 156 G.B. and Chak 70 G.B., 9-VI/17-X-1978); — *Rhodischnura nursei* (Morton) 37 ♂, 28 ♀, Univ. Agric. Campus, Aminpur, Chak 156 G.B. and Chak 70 G.B., 8-VI/17-XI-1978).

Lestidae: *Lestes thoracica* Laidl. (1 ♂, Aminpur, 12-VIII-1978, very rare).

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