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## FURTHER RECORDS OF TWO NEW SPECIES OF DROSOPHILA FROM ORISSA, INDIA

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The description of two new species of *Drosophila* from Orissa, *D.* (*Sophophora*) *microdenticulata* and *D.* (*Scaptodrosophila*) *bansadharae* are given. Their taxonomic status and relationships are discussed.

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## INTRODUCTION

Orissa is also one of the several states in India whose Drosophilid faunal compsition is yet to be furnished. Some recent collections in this region have however yielded several interesting species of Drosophilidae (Gupta, 1972; Dasmohapatra et al., 1981; Panigrahy and Gupta (in press). This paper embodies the results of our further surveying studies carried out in this region.

1. Drosophila microdenticulata sp. nov.

Mean body length: 2.16 mm (3);

2.38 mm (9).

Head, ♂ and ♀: Arista with 3 branches above and 1-2 below in addition to terminal fork. Antenna with second segment yellowish orange; third segment yellow. Frons including ocellar triangle pale brown. Orbitals in ratio of 6:3:8; anterior reclinate orbital thin, nearer to proclinate than posterior reclinate. Vibrissa strong, second oral thin, about one-third of vibrissa. Palpi pale, with one apical seta. Carina pale, narrow and high. Face and cheek yellowish brown, greatest width of cheek 1/6 greatest diameter of eye. Post-verticals long, ocellars of moderate length. Clypeus black. Eyes dark red.

Thorax, And Q: Acrostichal hairs regular, in 8 rows. Anterior scutellars convergent; posterior scutellars crossing each other. Anterior dorsocentral threesevenths length of posterior drosocentral; distance from anterior dorsocentral to posterior dorsocentrals about two-fifth the distance between two anterior dorsocentrals. Mesonotum and scutellum unicolorous, shiny yellow. Humerals two nearly equal. Thoracic pleura blackish brown. Sterno-index about 0.66.

Legs (Fig. 4): Coxae and temorae of all legs prominently brown, tibiae and tarsal segments yellow. Fore femora with a posteromedial row of about 9-10 long bristles. Sex combs of male with two moderately thick claw-like black teeth on the distal end of foremetatarsus. Preapicals on all three tibiae; apicals on first and second tibiae.

Wings,  $\Im$  and  $\lozenge$  (Fig. 5): Hyaline. Mean length of wing 2.04 mm ( $\Im$ ); 2.22 mm ( $\lozenge$ ). Approximate indices: C-index 2.11; 4V-index 2.0; 4C-index 1.18; 5X-index 1.8.

Two small equal setae at the apex of first costal section; heavy setae near basal  $\frac{1}{2}$  of third costal section. Halteres white.

Abdomen,  $\nearrow$  and  $\bigcirc$ : Abdominal tergites uniformly brown to black. Sternites brown.

Periphallic organs (Fig. 1): Epandrium yellow, broad and somewhat narrowing ventrally with 21 long bristles; upper portion with 5 and lower with 16 bristles. Surstyles triangular, with two sets of teethupper one with 2 moderately curved long black teeth; lower one with 4 sparsely placed, short, stout, black teeth in a row; and with a few fine seta medially and ventrally. Cerci large, with 21 upper large bristles and 8 closely placed small bristles ventrally.

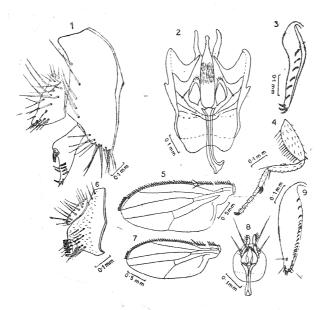
Phallic organs (Fig. 2): Aedeagus pale, non-bifid, medioventrally swollen and narrowing apically with dense hairs in middle. Basal apodeme of aedeagus nearly as long as aedeagus. Anterior gonapophyses broad and with 4 small sensilla

apically. Posterior gonapophyses large, narrow and dilated basally. Hypandrium with a pair of small submedian spines. Ventral fragma nearly quadrate and deeply incised ventrally.

Egg-guides (Fig. 3): Lobe yellow, elongate, with 6 equidistantly placed upper marginal teeth and 3 closely placed apical teeth. Basal isthmus short and narrow.

Holotype of INDIA: ORISSA: Koraput district, Narayanpur, April 1981 (Panigraphy and Gupta).

Paratypes: 4 ♂♂, 6 ♀♀ same locality and collectors as holotype. Deposited in Department of Zoology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India and Department of Biology, Tokyo Metropolitan University, Tokyo, Japan.



Figs 1—5. Drosophila microdenticulata sp. nov. 1. Periphallic organs; 2. Phallic organs; 3. egg-guide; 4. Male fore leg; 5. Male wing. Figs. (6—9) Drsophila bansadharae sp. nov. 6. Periphallic organs; 7. Male wing; 8. Phallic organs; 9. egg-guide.

Relationships: This species belongs to denticulata subgroup of the melanogaster species-group of the subgenus Sophophora. It closely resembles D. denticulata Bock and Wheeler in having fore femora with a postero-medial row of 9-10 long bristles and two claw like black teeth on the distal end of fore metatarsus; but distinctly differs from it in having pleura with no broad dark brown stripe (a broad dark longitudinal brown stripe with diffuse margins in D. denticulata); surstylus with distinct upper and lower sets of teeth (only 2 lower sets of teeth in denticulata); cerci with 8 closely placed bristles ventrally (with several short and pointed teeth in denticulata; aedeagus non-bifid (bifid in denticulata); male foremetatarsus with 2 moderately thick, claw-shaped teeth (unusually large claw-shaped teeth in denticulata).

**Distribution:** India.

2. Drosophila bansadharae sp. nov. Mean body length: 1.99 mm(♂); 2.18mm (♀).

Head of and Q: Arista with 4 branches above and 2 below in addition to terminal fork. Antennae with second segment brown; third segment pale yellow. Frons with a pale brown median stripe; margin along orbit yellow. Ocellar triangle dark brown. Orbitals in ratio of 6:2:8. Vibrissa present, second oral not differentiated. Palpi pale, with one apical seta and 1-2 fine setae. Carina brown, greatest width of cheek 1/7 greatest diameter of eye. Postverticals long. Ocellars very minute. Clypeus brown. Eyes bright red.

Thorax, A and Q: Acrostichal hairs regular, in 8 rows. Anterior scutellars nearly convergent; posterior scutellars crossing each other. Anterior dorsocentral half the length of posterior dorsocentral; distance from anterior dorsocentral;

tral to posterior dorsocentral about half the distance between two anterior dorsocentrals. Mesonotum with a dark brown dorso-median stripe; basally swollen squarishly and with two brown dark spots on either side. Scutellum dark brown with whitish tip. Humerals two, equal. Thoracic pleura dark brown. Sterno-index about 0.6.

Legs: Pale brown, femorae and tibiae of all legs with dark bands. Pre-apicals on all three tibiae; apicals on first and second tibiae.

Wings,  $\eth$  and  $\Diamond$  (Fig. 2): Hyaline. Mean length of wing 1.88mm ( $\eth$ ); 2.02 mm ( $\Diamond$ ). Approximate indices: C-index |2.0|; 4V-index 2.75; 4C-index 1.66, 5X-index 2.0. One seta at the apex of first costal section; heavy setae near basal 1/3 of third costal section. Halteres white.

Abdomen, 3 and 9: 1T Pale yellow, 2-3T with dark brown medially interrupted bands, 4-5T with broad and medially projected bands, 6T uniformly dark.

Periphallic organs (Fig. 1): Epandrium yellowish-brown, pubescent, broadened below, projected at heel, with 3 bristles on upper half and 12 bristles on lower half. Surstylus small with 8 similar black teeth and 2 lower bristles arranged in a straight row on outer margin and with 3 dorso-median and a few setae ventrally. Cerci yellowish brown, with 14 bristles.

Phallic organs (Fig. 3): Aedeagus pale, short; bifid, apically narrowing and hirsute. Basal apodeme of aedeagus straight and longer than aedeagus. Anterior gonapophyses pale, narrow, finger like having several marginal sensilla, Hypandrium medially somewhat elevated, with 2 pairs of submedian spines, inner pair longer. Ventral fragma rounded distally.

Egg-guides (Fig. 4): Lobe yellow, elongate with 18 marginal teeth, 4 closely placed apical thick teeth and 2 discal bristles. Basal isthmus short and thick.

Holotype ♂, INDIA: ORISSA, Loraput district, Narayanpur, April 1981 (Panigrahy and Gupta).

Paratypes: 633, 1299 same locality and collectors as holotype. Deposited in Department of Zoology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India and Department of Biology, Tokyo Meteropolitan University, Tokyo, Japan. 268642232

Relationships: This species belongs to the subgenus Scaptodrosophila. It somewhat resembles D. neomedleri Gupta and Panigrahy (unpublished) in the details of male genital structures but distinctly differs from it in having mesonotum with a broad dark brown dorso-median stripe; basally swollen squarishly and with two brown dark spots on either side (no stripe and spots in D. neomedleri); surstylus with 8 similar black teeth arranged in a row (9 dissimilar black teeth in neomedleri); hypandrium with 2 pairs submedian

spines of moderate length (2 pairs of unusually long spines in *neomedleri*); egg-guide with 18 marginal and 4 apical teeth (6 marginal and 3 apical teeth in *neomedleri*).

Distribution: India

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