



Floristic composition of Agrakhal-Kunjapuri area of District Tehri Garhwal, Uttarkhand, India

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Abstract

The present area of investigation lies at the elevation from 1300 to 1800 m in the montane zone of Garhwal Himalaya and is covered with dense oak forest. It is situated at a distance of 10 km northwards from Narendra Nagar town of district Tehri Garhwal. For recording the flora of the study area, extensive field studies were conducted for three years (December 1993 to November 1996). The floristic exploration yielded 456 species of vascular plants belonging to 306 genera and 95 families. Among the plant forms the biggest group was of herbs (320 species) followed by shrubs with 84 species and trees with 37 species. The plant diversity of the study area consisted of 439 species of angiosperms (343 dicots and 96 monocots) belonging to 293 genera (218 of dicots and 75 monocots) and 84 families (71 of dicots and 13 of monocots). *Pinus roxburghii* and *Cedrus deodara* represented the gymnospermous group. Among Pteridophytes 14 species belong to ferns and one to fern-allies. The plant diversity of the area is quite rich with all habit forms of a variety of vascular plants. The minimum diversity on south and south-west slopes may be attributed to drier condition. South-east slope had the highest diversity because it consisted of scattered woody vegetation which caused the development of more herbaceous species. The road side vegetation had maximum number of exotic species including the invaders.

Key words: Plant diversity, low montane zone, Tehri Garhwal, Himalaya.

Introduction

Garhwal Himalaya represents a variable topography, climatic conditions and different zones of vegetation from foot-hill to alpine regions which have been the centre of attraction to a number of botanists, naturalists, explorers, ecologists, ayurvedic physicians, tourists and expeditionists for a long period of time. The flora of this region is represented by various types of elements (Rau 1974, Babu 1977). Due to great variation in altitude ranging from 400 to 7817 m and aspects in this region, a number of changes are found in climatic and biotic factors within a few kilometres of distance, and hence flora and fauna also vary in species composition in different zones. The vegetation of the Garhwal Himalaya can be broadly classified into three major types i.e. sub-montane (400-1000 m), montane (1000-3200 m) and alpine (above 3200 m). Each vegetational zone has a great diversity and richness of the vegetation with a mixture of tree, shrub and herb species. The alpine zone is dominated by family Poaceae with dwarf scrubs and some other herbaceous vegetation to form

meadows (bugyals) while montane and sub-montane vegetation types are rich in floristic wealth. The oak (*Quercus*) forests in Garhwal region belong to montane vegetation and are distributed at an elevation between 1000 and 2400 m and have more floristic composition with a number of ephiphytes (orchids) and woody perennials. In the history of plant exploration of Garhwal Himalaya, Thomas Hardwicke (1796) first collected plants in Alaknanda Valley, but the major interest on the floristic studies in the Garhwal as well as other parts of the Himalaya have been undertaken by various British and Indian workers during 19th and 20th centuries. The results of these explorations were published by them (Hooker 1872-1896, 1904; King 1882; Kanjilal 1901; Duthie 1906; Osmaston 1922, 1927; Dudgeon and Kenoyer 1925; Gupta 1955, 1957, 1962, 1967; Ghildyal 1957; Rao 1960; Rau 1961, 1963a, 1963b, 1975; Babu 1977; Raizada and Saxena 1978; Semwal and Gaur 1981; Gaur 1982; Kala and Gaur 1982; Rajwar 1982, 1987, 1989; Hajra 1983; Naithani 1984-1985; Mehrotra and Aswal 1985; Goel *et al.* 1987; Paliwal and Badoni 1990; Hajra and Balodi 1995).

Since oak forests of Garhwal region have great economic as well as sociological values because a

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number of plants growing in such forests provide fuel, fodder, food, timber, medicine and other needs for progressing human life, and hence these forests have suffered from ever increasing population pressure, deforestation, overgrazing, lopping, urbanization and other human activities. Thus the native flora has been largely replaced by other foreign plants and many of them have become endangered. The present chapter has been prepared with a view to compile the list of plants that exist at Agrakhali-Kunjapuri area of district Tehri Garhwal. The presentation of floristic composition has been given site-wise which may be helpful to the explorers, scholars, naturalists and planners working for various aspects of the vegetation and landscape study and for planning and management purposes.

Study Area

The study area Agrakhali-Kunjapuri lies in district Tehri Garhwal. The district Tehri falls between the geo-coordinates $30^{\circ} 55' - 31^{\circ} 18'$ N latitude and $78^{\circ} 9' - 79^{\circ} 25'$ E longitude, representing 4421.26 km^2 or 8.65 % area of Central Himalaya. The population of Tehri district is 3.2 lakh (1991). The region is highly mountainous, ranging from 300-7010 m in elevation. The present area of investigation lies at $30^{\circ} 5'$ N latitude and $78^{\circ} 3'$ Elongitude ranging in elevation from 1300 to 1800 m in the montane zone and is covered with dense oak forest. It is situated at a distance of 10 km northwards from Narendra Nagar and 36 km Southwards from Chamba Fig. 2.2. It is a small hillside area. From southern side of Kunjapuri is there is a beautiful sight of the Ganga valley. It presents a panoramic view of famous snowclad Himalayan peaks namely Chaukhamba, Trisul, Nilkanth etc. from northern site. The famous temple of district Tehri Garhwal, Kunjapuri Temple is situated in this area which is holy "Shaktipeeth". The temple is situated 5 km from Hindolakhal. A number of tourists, villagers, naturalists, botanists comes every year to this hill side. A fair (Kunjapuri Devi Mela) is celebrated in the months of April and October each year. During this period people from different places of Garhwal region visit this place. Agrakhali also attracts tourists for its cool climate and attractive landscape. Several Gujjars and local shepherds cross it with their cattle during early summer months. Their

cattle cause damage to the vegetation and soil of the area. The forest area near the villages and roadside faces the high disturbance by local people and their cattle. The road construction has also affected the vegetation of the area. Most common constituents of this forest area are *Quercus leucotrichophora*, *Lyonia ovalifolia*, *Rhododendron arboreum*, *Symplocos paniculata* and *Myrica esculenta*. Medicinally important plants like species of *Viola*, *Ajuga*, *Berberis*, *Achyranthes*, *Bignonia*, *Valeriana*, *Desmodium* etc. frequently occur as under vegetation in the forest of present study.

Material and Methods

For recording the flora of the study area, extensive field studies were conducted for three years (December 1993 to November 1996). Plants specimens (4-5 for each species) in flowering or fruiting stages were collected at fortnightly intervals from the study area and herbarium specimens were prepared. Trees, shrubs, herbs and ferns collected during field trips were identified with the help of regional floras and comparing these specimens with authentically identified specimens preserved in the herbaria of Forest Research Institute (DD) and Botanical Survey of India, Northern Circle (BSD), Dehra Dun. All the specimens have been deposited in the Herbarium of the Department of Botany, D.A.V. (P. G.) College, Dehra Dun. The genera and species were arranged alphabetically while the families are listed according to Bentham and Hooker's system of classification with slight modifications according to International Code of Botanical Nomenclature. Each species is followed by a note about its habit, occurrence (site-wise), period of flowering and fruiting and colour of flowers. The plants with very low presence have been classified as rare plants in the study area.

Results and Discussion

The floristic exploration yielded 456 species of vascular plants belonging to 306 genera and 95 families (Table 1). Among the plant forms the biggest group was of herbs (320 species) which followed by shrubs with 84 species and trees with 37 species (Table 2). Site-wise distribution of species is given in Tables 3.



South-east site had maximum number of species (359). This was followed by road side vegetation (344 species) and north-east site (274 species). South slope had the minimum number of species (237 species). The plant diversity of the study area consisted of 439 species of angiosperms (343 dicots and 96 monocots) belonging to 293 genera (218 of dicots and 75 monocots) and 84 families (71 of dicots and 13 of monocots). *Pinus roxburghii* and *Cedrus deodara* represented the gymnospermous group. Among Pteridophytes 14 species belong to ferns and one to fern-allies (Table 4). The ratio of monocots to dicots was 1:3.5 which is higher than that obtained for British India and the genus species ratio for angiosperms was 1:5 as against 1:2.2 for Upper Gangetic Plain and 1:7 for the British India (Hooker 1904). Poaceae was the most dominant family with 48 species belonging to 26 genera. The co-dominant family was Asteraceae with 42 species and 31 genera, and the third dominant family was Papilionaceae with 34 species and 14 genera (Table 5). Other dominant families in the order of importance were Lamiaceae (28 species), Acanthaceae (16 species), Rubiaceae (15 species), Rosaceae and Orchidaceae (12 species each), Cyperaceae (11 species) and Ranunculaceae (10 species). The first three dominant families of the study area are also dominant in the same order in Kumaun and Garhwal, and Western Himalaya (Hooker, 1904). Forty three families of angiosperms consisted of one genus each while 28 families had one species each (Table 1). Largest genus was *Desmodium* with 8 species followed by *Cassia*, *Indigofera* and *Solanum* with 6 species each, and *Rubus*, *Arundinella* and *Digitaria* with 5 species each (Table 6). The study area was the oak forest spread over a part of Fakot Block of Tehri Garhwal. The plant diversity of the area is quite rich with all habit forms of a variety of vascular plants. The minimum diversity on south and southwest slopes may be attributed to drier conditions. South-east slope had the highest diversity because it consisted of scattered woody vegetation which caused the development of more herbaceous species. The road side vegetation had maximum number of exotic species including the invaders.

Table1. List of species (family-wise) with their habit, period of flowering and fruiting and colour of flower.

| Name of family/species | Habit | Period of Fl. & Fr. | Colour of flower |
|---|-------|---------------------|------------------|
| Dicotyledons | | | |
| Ranunculaceae | | | |
| <i>Anemone rivularis</i> Buch.-Ham. ex DC. | H | April-Aug. | White-purple |
| <i>Anemone vitifolia</i> Buch.-Ham. ex DC. | H | July-Sept. | White |
| <i>Clematis ananiana</i> DC. | CIS | Aug.-Oct. | Yellow-green |
| <i>Clematis gauriana</i> Roxb. ex DC. | CIS | Aug.-Sept. | Yellow-green |
| <i>Clematis grata</i> Wall. | CIS | July-Sept. | Creamy |
| <i>Clematis montana</i> Buch.-Ham. ex DC. | CIS | April-May | White |
| <i>Delphinium nudatum</i> Wall. ex Hook. f. & Th. | H | April-May | Blue |
| <i>Ranunculus diffusus</i> DC. | H | May-July | Yellow |
| <i>Ranunculus laetus</i> Wall. ex Hook. f & Th. | H | May-Oct. | White |
| <i>Thalictrum javanicum</i> Blume | H | July-Aug. | White |
| Menispermaceae | | | |
| <i>Cissampelos pareira</i> L. | CIS | July-Aug. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Cocculus laurifolius</i> DC. | S | April-May | Yellow-green |
| <i>Stephania elegans</i> Hook. f. & Th. | CIH | Aug.-Sept. | Purple |
| <i>Stephania glabra</i> (Roxb.) Miers. | CIS | July-Aug. | Greenish-yellow |
| Berberidaceae | | | |
| <i>Berberis asiatica</i> Roxb. ex DC. | S | Mar.-May | Yellow |
| <i>Berberis lycium</i> Royle | S | Mar.-May | Yellow |
| Papaveraceae | | | |
| <i>Argemone mexicana</i> L. | H | May-June | Yellow |
| Brassicaceae | | | |



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| <i>Cardamine impatiens</i> L. | H | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Cardamine scutata</i> Thunb. | H | April-June | White |
| <i>Lepidium virginicum</i> L. | H | Mar.-April | White |
| Violaceae | | | |
| <i>Viola betonicifolia</i> J. E. Smith | H | July-Sept. | Dark liliac |
| <i>Viola canescens</i> Wall. | H | April-Sept. | Liliac |
| <i>Viola pilosa</i> Blume | H | April-June | Pale-blue |
| <i>Viola serpens</i> Wall. | H | April-July | Liliac |
| Bixaceae (Flacourtiaceae) | | | |
| <i>Flacourtia indica</i> (Burm. f.) Merr. | T | Mar.-April | Greenish-yellow |
| Polygalaceae | | | |
| <i>Polygala abyssinica</i> R. Br. ex Fresenius | H | May-Sept. | Purple |
| <i>Polygala chinensis</i> L | H | Aug.-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Polygala persicariaefolia</i> DC. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Polygala sibirica</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink |
| Caryophyllaceae | | | |
| <i>Cerastium holosteoides</i> Fries. | H | April-Sept. | White |
| <i>Drymaria cordata</i> (L.) Willd. ex R. & S. | H | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| <i>Stellaria media</i> (L.) Villars | H | Feb.-April | White |
| <i>Stellaria semivestita</i> Edgew. & Hook. f. | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Stellaria webbiana</i> Edgew. & Hook. f. | H | April-May | White |
| <i>Vaccaria pyramidata</i> Medikus | H | April-May | Pink |
| Hypericaceae | | | |
| <i>Norysca urala</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don) K. Koch. | S | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Norysca</i> sp. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| Malvaceae | | | |
| <i>Sida cordata</i> (Burm. F.) Borss. | H | Sept.-Nov. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Sida obovata</i> Wall. | S | Sept.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Sida spinosa</i> L. | H | May-Oct. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Urena lobata</i> L. | S | July-Nov. | Pink |
| Tiliaceae | | | |
| <i>Grewia optiva</i> J.R. Drummond ex Burret | PIT | April-May | Yellow |
| <i>Triumfetta annua</i> L | H | July-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Triumfetta pilosa</i> Roth. | S | Sept.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Triumfetta rhomboidea</i> Jacquin | H | July-Oct. | Dark-yellow |
| Linaceae | | | |
| <i>Reinwardtia indica</i> Dumortier | H | Mar.-April | Yellow |
| Geraniaceae | | | |
| <i>Geranium nepalense</i> Sweet | H | May-Sept. | Purple |
| <i>Geranium ocellatum</i> Cambess. | H | Mar.-June | Pink |
| Oxalidaceae | | | |
| <i>Oxalis acetosella</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Oxalis corniculata</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Oxalis dehradunensis</i> Raizada | H | Mar.-April | Pink |
| Balsaminaceae | | | |
| <i>Impatiens balsamina</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Impatiens scabrida</i> DC. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Yellow |
| Rutaceae | | | |
| <i>Boenninghausenia albiflora</i> (Hook.) Reichb. ex Meisn. | H | July-Sept. | White |
| <i>Murraya koenigii</i> (L.) Sprengel | S | May-July | White |
| <i>Zanthoxylum armatum</i> DC. | S | April-May | Pale-yellow |



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| Meliaceae | | | |
| <i>Cedrela serrata</i> Royle | T | May-June | Green-yellow |
| Celastraceae | | | |
| <i>Euonymus pendulus</i> Wall. ex Roxb. | T | May-June | Green |
| Vitaceae | | | |
| <i>Parthenocissus semicordata</i> (Wall.) Planch | CIS | April-May | Yellowish-green |
| Leeaceae | | | |
| <i>Leea edgeworthii</i> Santapau | S | July-Sept. | Pale-green |
| Aceraceae | | | |
| <i>Acer oblongum</i> Wall. Ex DC. | T | Mar.-April | White-green |
| Anacardiaceae | | | |
| <i>Rhus cotinus</i> L. | S | April-June | Purple |
| <i>Rhus parviflora</i> Roxb. | S | May-June | Yellowish-green |
| <i>Rhus punjabensis</i> Stewart | T | July-Aug. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Rhus wallichii</i> Hook. f. | T | July-Aug. | Greenish-yellow |
| Coriariaceae | | | |
| <i>Coriaria nepalensis</i> Wallich | S | Mar.-April | Green |
| Papilionaceae | | | |
| <i>Alysicarpus bupleurifolius</i> (L.) DC. | H | July-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Alysicarpus monilifer</i> DC. | H | July-Sept. | Yellowish-pink |
| <i>Argyrolobium flaccidum</i> (Royle) Jaubert & Spach | H | May-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Astragalus leucocephalus</i> Graham ex Benth. | H | May-Aug. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Astragalus trichocarpus</i> Grah. | H | May-Aug. | Pink |
| <i>Crotalaria albida</i> Heyne ex Roth | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Crotalaria calycina</i> Schrank | H | July-Sept. | Bluesh-yellow |
| <i>Crotalaria prostrata</i> Rottler ex Willd. | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Crotalaria spectabilis</i> Roth | H | Sept.-Feb. | Yellow |
| <i>Desmodium concinnum</i> DC. | S | Sept.-Feb. | Purple |
| <i>Desmodium laxiflorum</i> DC. | H | Sept.-Feb. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Desmodium microphyllum</i> (Thunb.) DC. | S | July-Sept. | Purplish-brown |
| <i>Desmodium motorium</i> (Houtt.) Merr. | S | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Desmodium retusum</i> (D.Don) Sweet. | S | July-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Desmodium sambuense</i> (D.Don) DC. | S | July-Sept. | Pink-purple |
| <i>Desmodium tiliacefolium</i> G. Don | S | June-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Desmodium triflorum</i> (L.) DC. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Blue |
| <i>Erythrina suberosa</i> Roxb. | T | Mar.-April | Red |
| <i>Indigofera atropurpurea</i> Buch.-Ham. ex Hornem | S | Mar.-May | Purple |
| <i>Indigofera cassiodoides</i> Rottler ex DC. | S | Mar.-June | Pinkish-blue |
| <i>Indigofera dosua</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | S | May-June | Pinkish-purple |
| <i>Indigofera heterantha</i> Wall. ex Brandis | S | May-June | Pink-purple |
| <i>Indigofera linifolia</i> (L.f.) Retz. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Bright red |
| <i>Indigofera trifoliata</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | Red |
| <i>Lespedeza Junccea</i> (L.f.) Persoon | S | Aug.-Oct. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Moghania fruticulosa</i> (Wall.) Mukerjee | H | Aug.-Oct. | Pink |
| <i>Moghania vestita</i> (Grah.) O. Kuntze | H | Aug.-Oct. | Bright-red |
| <i>Shuteria densiflora</i> Benth. | H | Sept.-Nov. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Smithia ciliata</i> Royle | H | July-Sept. | Blue-White |
| <i>Trifolium repens</i> L. | H | April-July | White-pink |
| <i>Vicia hirsuta</i> (L.) S. F. Gray | H | Aug.-Sept. | White-blue |
| <i>Vigna calcorata</i> (Roxb.) Kuntze | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pinkish-white |
| <i>Vigna mungo</i> (L.) Hepper | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Vigna vexillata</i> (L.) A. Richard | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink |



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| Caesalpiniaceae | | | |
| <i>Bauhinia racemosa</i> L. | T | Sept.-Feb. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Bauhinia variegata</i> L. | T | Feb.-April | Whitish-purple |
| <i>Cassia absus</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Cassia fistula</i> L. | T | Mar.-June | Yellow |
| <i>Cassia gluca</i> Lamk. | PT | April-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Cassia hochstetteri</i> Ghesq. | H | Mar.-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Cassia occidentalis</i> L. | S | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Cassia wallichiana</i> (L.) A. Rich | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| Mimosaceae | | | |
| <i>Albizia chinensis</i> (Osbeck) Merrill | T | May-June | Yellowish-white |
| <i>Albizia mollis</i> Boivin. | T | April-May | Pink |
| Rosaceae | | | |
| <i>Agrimonia pilosa</i> Ledebour | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Cotoneaster affinis</i> Lindley | S | April-June | White |
| <i>Potentilla fragariooides</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Potentilla indica</i> (Ander.) Walf. | H | July-Aug. | Yellow/red |
| <i>Prunus cerasoides</i> D.Don | T | April-May | Pink |
| <i>Prunus cerasus</i> L. | T | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Pyrus pashia</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | T | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Rubus ellipticus</i> Smith | S | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Rubus fasciculatus</i> Duthie | S | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Rubus foliolosus</i> D.Don | S | Feb.-May | Pink |
| <i>Rubus niveus</i> Thumb. | S | Feb.-May | Pinkish-red |
| <i>Rubus paniculatus</i> Smith | S | April-May | White |
| Saxifragaceae | | | |
| <i>Bergenia ciliata</i> (Royle) Raizada | H | Mar.-April | White-pink |
| Crassulaceae | | | |
| <i>Kalanchoe integra</i> (Medikus) O. Kuntze | H | Sept.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Sedum multicaule</i> Wall. ex Lindley | H | July-Aug. | White-yellow |
| <i>Sedum rosulatum</i> Edgew. | H | April-June | Greenish-White |
| Combretaceae | | | |
| <i>Terminalia tomentosa</i> (Roxb.) W. & A. | T | July-Aug. | White |
| Melastomaceae | | | |
| <i>Osbeckia stellata</i> Wall. Ex D.Don | S | Aug.-Sept. | Pink-purple |
| Lythraceae | | | |
| <i>Woodfordia fruticosa</i> (L.) Kurz | S | Feb.-May | Red |
| Punicaceae | | | |
| <i>Punica granatum</i> L. | T | April-May | Orange-red |
| Onagraceae | | | |
| <i>Epilobium roseum</i> Schreb. | H | July-Sept. | Pale-pink |
| <i>Hartmannia rosea</i> G.Don | H | July-Sept. | Rose |
| Cucurbitaceae | | | |
| <i>Cucumis sativus</i> L. | ClH | July-Aug. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Trichosanthes dioica</i> Roxb. | H | July-Sept. | White |
| Begoniaceae | | | |
| <i>Begonia picta</i> Smith | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Begonia tenella</i> D.Don | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-pink |
| Apiaceae | | | |
| <i>Apium leptophyllum</i> (Persoon) Mull. ex Benth | H | Aug.-Sept. | Whitish-yellow |
| <i>Bupleurum falcatum</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Bupleurum hamiltonii</i> Balakrishnan | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |



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| <i>Centella asiatica</i> (L.) Urban | H | May-June | Reddish-brown |
| <i>Pimpinella diversifolia</i> DC. | H | July-Sept. | White |
| Cornaceae | | | |
| <i>Benthamidia capitata</i> (Wall. ex Roxb.) Hara | T | April-Sept. | Yellowish-green |
| <i>Cornus macrophylla</i> Wallich | T | April-Oct. | Cream-white |
| <i>Cornus oblonga</i> Wallich | T | Aug.-Oct. | White |
| Rubiaceae | | | |
| <i>Argostemma sarmentosum</i> Wallich | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Argostemma verticillatum</i> Wallich | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Borreria brachystema</i> (R.Br. ex Benth.) Val. | H | July-Oct. | White/pale-blue |
| <i>Borreria stricta</i> (L.) Schum. | H | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| <i>Galium aparine</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Galium asperifolium</i> Wallich ex Roxb. | H | July-Aug. | Reddish-pink |
| <i>Galium rotundifolium</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Galium vestitum</i> D.Don | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Hamiltonia suaveolens</i> Roxb. | S | Sept.-Oct. | Blue |
| <i>Hedyotis corymbosa</i> (L.) Lam. | H | July-Aug. | White |
| <i>Leptodermis lanceolata</i> Wallich | S | July-Sept. | Pink-white |
| <i>Oldenlandia coccinea</i> Royle | H | Aug.-Sept. | Red |
| <i>Oldenlandia nudicaulis</i> Roth. | H | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| <i>Randia tetrasperma</i> (Roxb.) Brand. | S | Mar.-April | Cream-yellow |
| <i>Rubia cordifolia</i> L. | CIH | July-Oct. | Red |
| Valerianaceae | | | |
| <i>Valeriana jatamansi</i> (DC.) Jones | H | Mar.-May | White |
| <i>Valeriana hardwickii</i> Wall. | H | July-Sept. | White-Pink |
| <i>Valeriana</i> sp. | H | June-Aug. | Pale-Yellow |
| Dipsacaceae | | | |
| <i>Dipsacus mitis</i> D.Don | H | July-Oct. | White |
| Asteraceae | | | |
| <i>Ageratum conyzoides</i> L. | H | Sept. | Pale-blue |
| <i>Ainsliaea aptera</i> DC. | H | Sept. | Pink-white |
| <i>Ainsliaea pteropoda</i> DC. | H | Mar.-April | Purplish-white |
| <i>Anaphalis busua</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don) DC. | H | Sept.-Oct. | White |
| <i>Anaphalis margaritacea</i> (L.) Benth. | H | Sept.-Oct. | White |
| <i>Artemisia capillaris</i> Thunb. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Artemisia indica</i> Willd. | H | Aug.-Oct. | Yellowish-green |
| <i>Aster peduncularis</i> Wallich ex Ness | H | Aug.-Nov. | Bluish-white |
| <i>Bidens bipinnata</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Bidens tripartita</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Yellow-white |
| <i>Blainvillea latifolia</i> DC. | H | Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Carpesium cernuum</i> L. | H | Aug.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Cichorium intybus</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | Blue |
| <i>Conyza japonica</i> (Thunb.) Lessing ex DC. | H | April-Oct. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Conyza stricta</i> Willd. | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Crepis japonica</i> Benth. | H | July-Oct. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Echinops niveus</i> Wallich ex Royle | H | Aug.-Sept. | Whitish-blue |
| <i>Erigeron alpinus</i> L. | H | June-Sept. | Purple-white |
| <i>Erigeron canadensis</i> L. | H | May-Sept. | Red-purple |
| <i>Erigeron karvinskianus</i> DC. | H | April-Aug. | White-pink |
| <i>Eschenbachia ruffa</i> (Wall. ex DC.) Raizada | H | July-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Eupatorium glandulosum</i> H.B.K. | H | July-Sept. | Pale-white |
| <i>Galinsoga ciliata</i> (Raf.-Schm.) Blake | H | July-Oct. | White-yellow |



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| <i>Galinsoga parviflora</i> Cav. | H | May-Oct. | White-yellow |
| <i>Gerbera gossypina</i> (Royle) G. Beauv. | H | May-Nov. | Pale-pink |
| <i>Inula cappa</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don) DC. | S | July-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Inula cuspidata</i> (DC.) C.B. Clarke | S | July-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Myriactis wallichii</i> Lessing | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Parthenium hysterophorous</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | White |
| <i>Saussurea heteromalla</i> (D.Don) Hand-Mazz. | H | April-Aug. | Purple-red |
| <i>Senecio alatus</i> Wallich ex DC. | H | Aug.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Senecio nudicaulis</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | H | May-June | Yellow |
| <i>Serratula pallida</i> DC. | H | May-July | Purple |
| <i>Siegesbeckia orientalis</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Sonchus brachyotus</i> DC. | H | May-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Tagetes erecta</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Red-yellow |
| <i>Tagetes minuta</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Taraxacum officinale</i> Weber | H | Mar.-Nov. | Yellow |
| <i>Tridax procumbens</i> L. | H | June-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Vernonia cinerea</i> (L.) Lessing | H | April-Dec. | Purple |
| <i>Xanthium strumarium</i> L. | H | April-Nov. | White |
| <i>Youngia japonica</i> (L.) DC. | H | April-June | Pale-purple |
| Campanulaceae | | | |
| <i>Campanula colorata</i> Wallich | H | June-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| Ericaceae | | | |
| <i>Lyonia ovalifolia</i> (Wallich) Drude | T | April-May | White |
| <i>Rhododendron arboreum</i> Smith | T | Mar.-April | Red |
| Plumbaginaceae | | | |
| <i>Plumbago zeylanica</i> L. | S | July-Sept. | White |
| Primulaceae | | | |
| <i>Anagallis arvensis</i> L. | H | April-May | Bluish-purple |
| <i>Androsace lanuginosa</i> Wall. | H | May-June | Rose-purple |
| <i>Androsace umbellata</i> (Lour.) Merrill | H | April-Aug. | White |
| <i>Lysimachia lobeloides</i> Wallich | H | July-Aug. | Pale-purplish |
| <i>Primula floribunda</i> Wallich | H | Dec.-April | Yellow |
| Oleaceae | | | |
| <i>Jasminum humile</i> L. | S | May-June | Yellow |
| <i>Nyctanthes arbor-tristis</i> L. | T | Aug.-Oct. | Orange-white |
| Asclepiadaceae | | | |
| <i>Asclepias curassavica</i> L. | H | Mar.-Sept. | Orange-yellow |
| <i>Calotropis procera</i> (Aiton) Aiton f. | H | May-July | Lilac/purple |
| <i>Hoya longifolia</i> Wallich ex Wight | S | July-Aug. | White |
| Loganiaceae (Buddlejaceae) | | | |
| <i>Buddleja asiatica</i> Lour. | S | April-May | White |
| Gentianaceae | | | |
| <i>Gentiana argentea</i> (D.Don) C.B. Clarke | CIH | April-May | Blue |
| <i>Swertia alata</i> (Royle ex D.Don) C.B. Clarke | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green-yellow |
| <i>Swertia lurida</i> Royle | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink-green |
| <i>Swertia paniculata</i> Wallich | H | Sept.-Oct. | Purplish-white |
| Boraginaceae | | | |
| <i>Cynoglossum glochidiatum</i> Wallich ex Benth. | H | June-Sept. | Blue |
| <i>Cynoglossum nervosum</i> Benth. ex Cl. | H | June-Sept. | Blue |
| <i>Cynoglossum zeylanicum</i> (Vahl ex Hornem.) Thunb. ex Lehmann | H | June-Sept. | Blue |
| <i>Myosotis sylvatica</i> Ehrh. ex Hoffm. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-blue |



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| Ehretiaceae | | | |
| <i>Cordia vestita</i> Hook. f. & Thomson | T | Mar.-April | White |
| Convolvulaceae | | | |
| <i>Evolvulus alsinoides</i> (L.) L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | White or blue |
| <i>Ipomoea dichroa</i> (Romer & Schult.) Choisy | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-blue |
| <i>Ipomoea eriocarpa</i> R. Br. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Ipomoea purpurea</i> (L.) Roth | H | Aug.-Oct. | Pink |
| Solanaceae | | | |
| <i>Datura stramonium</i> L. | S | July-Sept. | White |
| <i>Nicandra physalodes</i> (L.) Gaertner | H | July-Sept. | Pale-blue |
| <i>Physalis minima</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Physalis peruviana</i> L | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Solanum hispidum</i> Persoon | S | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| <i>Solanum incanum</i> L. | H | July-Aug. | Blue |
| <i>Solanum indicum</i> L. | S | May-Sept. | Blue |
| <i>Solanum nigrum</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Blue |
| <i>Solanum surattense</i> Burm. f. | S | May-Oct. | White |
| <i>Solanum viarum</i> Dunal | S | July-Sept. | White |
| Scrophulariaceae | | | |
| <i>Bacopa procumbens</i> (Miller) Greenman | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Buchnera hispida</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | H | Aug.-Sept. | White/pale-purple |
| <i>Lindenbergia indica</i> (L.) O. Kuntze | H | July-Oct. | Yellow-red |
| <i>Lindenbergia macrostachya</i> (Benth.) Benth. | H | July-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Lindernia nummularifolia</i> (D.Don) Wettst. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Red-purple |
| <i>Pedicularis bifida</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don) Pennell | H | July-Sept. | Bluish-pink |
| <i>Striga asiatica</i> (L.) O. Kuntze | H | July-Aug. | Red-purple |
| <i>Torenia cordifolia</i> Roxb. | H | July-Sept. | Pale-lilac |
| <i>Verbascum thapsus</i> L. | H | May-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Veronica persica</i> Poiret | H | Sept.-Oct. | Blue |
| Orobanchaceae | | | |
| <i>Aeginetia indica</i> L. | PS | Sept.-Oct. | Purple |
| Gesneriaceae | | | |
| <i>Chirita bifolia</i> D.Don | H | July-Sept. | Purple-blue |
| <i>Didymocarpus pedicellatus</i> R. Br. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Purple |
| <i>Platystemma violoides</i> Wallich | H | July-Aug. | Violet |
| <i>Rhynchoglossum obliquum</i> Blume | H | Aug.-Sept. | Blue |
| Acanthaceae | | | |
| <i>Adhatoda vasica</i> Nees | S | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Aechmanthera tomentosa</i> Nees | S | Oct.-Dec. | Pale-blue |
| <i>Barleria cristata</i> L. | S | July-Nov. | Purplish |
| <i>Dicliptera roxburghiana</i> Nees | H | May-Dec. | Pink |
| <i>Eranthemum nervosum</i> (Vahl) R. Br. | S | Mar.-April | Blue |
| <i>Hemigraphis rupestris</i> Heyne ex T. Anders. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-brown |
| <i>Lepidagathis cuspidata</i> Nees | S | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Lepidagathis incurva</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | S | Mar.-May | White |
| <i>Lepidagathis purpuricalulis</i> Nees | H | Mar.-May | White |
| <i>Perilepta auriculata</i> (Nees) Bremekamp | S | Nov-Jan. | Pale-white |
| <i>Peristrophe speciosa</i> (Roxb.) Nees | S | Feb.-Mar. | Pink |
| <i>Pseudaechmanthera glutinosa</i> (Nees) Brem. | S | Jan-Mar. | Pale-blue |
| <i>Pteracanthus angustifrons</i> (Clarke) Brem. | S | Sept.-Dec. | Pale-purple |
| <i>Rostellularia japonica</i> Thunb. | H | July-Oct. | Pinkish-blue |



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| <i>Rungia parviflora</i> Nees | H | July-Aug. | Blue |
| <i>Strobilanthes dalhousianus</i> Nees | H | Aug.-Oct. | Pale-purple |
| Verbenaceae | | | |
| <i>Caryopteris grata</i> (Wallich) Benth. | S | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Caryopteris wallichiana</i> Schauer | S | April-June | White-blue |
| <i>Holmskioldia sanguinea</i> Retz. | S | Oct.-Nov. | Orange-red |
| <i>Lantana indica</i> Roxb. | S | July-Oct. | Pinkish-red |
| Lamiaceae | | | |
| <i>Acrocephalus capitatus</i> (Roth) Benth. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-purple |
| <i>Ajuga bracteosa</i> Wallich ex Benth. | H | Mar.-Oct. | Blue |
| <i>Ajuga lobata</i> D.Don. | H | Mar.-Oct. | Blue |
| <i>Ajuga parviflora</i> Benth. | H | Mar.-Oct. | Blue |
| <i>Anisomeles indica</i> (L.) O. Kuntze | H | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| <i>Clinopodium umbrosum</i> (M. B.) C. Koch. | H | July-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Clinopodium vulgare</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Pink |
| <i>Coleus forskohlii</i> (Willd.) Briquet | H | Aug.-Oct. | Blue |
| <i>Craniotome furcata</i> (Link) O. Kuntze | H | July-Sept. | White/pink-yellow |
| <i>Leucas lanata</i> Benth. | H | July-Oct. | White |
| <i>Micromeria biflora</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don) Benth. | H | April-Oct. | Pink |
| <i>Nepeta graciliflora</i> Benth. | H | Oct.-Nov. | Pink |
| <i>Nepeta hindostana</i> (Roth) Haines | H | April-Aug. | Bluish-purple |
| <i>Nepeta leucophylla</i> Benth. | H | July-Oct. | Lilac |
| <i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Pink-purple |
| <i>Origanum vulgare</i> L. | H | Aug.-Oct. | Pink |
| <i>Plectranthus coetsa</i> Buch.-Ham. | H | Sept.-Oct. | White |
| <i>Plectranthus japonicus</i> (Burm. f.) Kuntze | H | Aug.-Sept. | Violet |
| <i>Plectranthus rugosus</i> Wallich | H | Mar.-Oct. | White |
| <i>Plectranthus striatus</i> Benth. | H | Aug.-Oct. | White |
| <i>Pogostemon benghalense</i> (Burm. f.) Kuntze | S | Jan-Feb. | White-pink |
| <i>Salvia mukerjeea</i> Bennett & Raizada | H | July-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Salvia nubicola</i> Wallich ex Sweet | H | Aug.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Scutellaria discolor</i> Coleb. | H | June-July | Purple |
| <i>Scutellaria grossa</i> Wallich ex Benth. | H | June-Aug. | Blue |
| <i>Scutellaria scandens</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | H | June-July | Yellow |
| <i>Teucrium quadrifarium</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | H | Aug.-Sept. | White-purple |
| <i>Teucrium royleanum</i> Wallich ex Benth. | H | June-July | White |
| Nyctaginaceae | | | |
| <i>Boerhavia diffusa</i> L. | H | April-May | Pink |
| Amaranthaceae | | | |
| <i>Achyranthes aspera</i> L. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Pink |
| <i>Achyranthes betendifolia</i> L. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Pink |
| <i>Aerva scandens</i> Wallich | ST | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| <i>Alternanthera pungens</i> Humb. | H | Mar.-April | White |
| <i>Amaranthus gracilis</i> Desfontaines | H | July-Sept. | Pale-green |
| <i>Amaranthus spinosus</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Cyathula tomentosa</i> (Roth) Moq. | S | Aug.-Oct. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Gomphrena celosioides</i> Martius | H | Aug.-Sept. | White |
| Polygonaceae | | | |
| <i>Polygonum capitatum</i> Buch.-Ham. | H | July-Aug. | Pink |
| <i>Polygonum nepalensis</i> (Meissn.) H. Gross | H | July-Oct. | Purple-pink |
| <i>Rumex hastatus</i> D.Don | H | Oct.-Nov. | Greenish-purple |
| <i>Rumex nepalensis</i> Sprengel | H | Oct.-Nov. | Greenish-red |



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| Loranthaceae | | | |
| <i>Taxillus vestitus</i> (Wallich) Danser | PS | April-Oct. | Brownish-red |
| Euphorbiaceae | | | |
| <i>Euphorbia geniculata</i> Ortega | H | April-May | Pale-green |
| <i>Euphorbia hirta</i> L. | H | June-Aug. | Green |
| <i>Euphorbia hypericifolia</i> L. | H | July-Sept. | Green-yellow |
| <i>Euphorbia royleana</i> Boissier | S | June-July | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Mallotus philippensis</i> (Lam.) Muell.-Arg. | T | Oct.-Nov. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Phyllanthus parvifolius</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | S | Aug.-Sept. | Brown-purple |
| <i>Sapium insigne</i> (Royle) Benth. ex Trimen | T | Feb.-Mar. | Yellowish-green |
| Moraceae | | | |
| <i>Ficus auriculata</i> Lour. | T | April-May | (Figs) Yellow |
| <i>Ficus religiosa</i> L. | PIT | April-May | (Figs) Purple |
| Urticaceae | | | |
| <i>Boehmeria macrophylla</i> D.Don | S | July-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Boehmeria scabrella</i> (Roxb.) Gaudich. | S | July-Sept. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Debregeasia velutina</i> Gaudich. | S | July-Aug. | Green |
| <i>Fleurga interrupta</i> Gaudich. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Greenish-white |
| <i>Girardinia heterophylla</i> (Vahl) Decne. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Gonostegia hirta</i> (Blume) Miquel | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Pilea kingii</i> C. Fischer | H | July-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Pilea scripta</i> (Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don) Wedd. | H | June-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Urtica parviflora</i> Roxb. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| Juglandaceae | | | |
| <i>Engelhardtia spicata</i> Leschenault ex Blume | T | Mar.-April | Green |
| <i>Juglans regia</i> L. | T | Mar.-May | Green |
| Myricaceae | | | |
| <i>Myrica esculenta</i> Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don | T | May-Dec. | Green |
| Fagaceae | | | |
| <i>Quercus leucotrichophora</i> A. Camus | T | April-May | Pale-green |
| Monocotyledons | | | |
| Orchidaceae | | | |
| <i>Dendrobium amoenum</i> Wallich ex Lindley | EpH | April-June | Purplish-white |
| <i>Dendrobium crepidatum</i> Lindley | EpH | April-May | White-yellow |
| <i>Eria graminifolia</i> Lindley | TrH | July-Sept. | White |
| <i>Eulophia herbacea</i> Lindley | TrH | June-July | White |
| <i>Habenaria graveolens</i> Duthie | TrH | July-Aug. | Pale-green |
| <i>Habenaria pubescens</i> Lindley | TrH | July-Aug. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Habenaria stenopetala</i> Lindley | TrH | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-brown |
| <i>Herminium lanceum</i> (Thunb. ex Sw.) Vuijk | TrH | Sept. | Green |
| <i>Malaxis acuminata</i> D.Don | TrH | July-Aug. | Yellowish-green |
| <i>Nervillia aragoana</i> Gaud. | TrH | June | Pale-green |
| <i>Pecteilis gigantea</i> (J. E. Smith) Rafin. | TrH | June-July | Whitish-green |
| <i>Vanda testacea</i> (Lindley) Reichb. f. | EpH | Aug.-Sept. | Yellowish-green |
| Zinziberaceae (Scitamineae) | | | |
| <i>Cautleya spicata</i> (J.E. Smith) Baker | H | July-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Globba racemosa</i> Smith | H | Aug.-Sept. | Yellow |
| <i>Hedychium acuminatum</i> Roscoe | H | Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Hedychium ellipticum</i> Buch.-Ham. ex Smith | H | Aug. | Crimson |
| <i>Roscoea alpina</i> Royle | H | June-July | Dark-purple |
| <i>Roscoea procera</i> Wallich | H | Aug.-Sept. | Lilac |
| Haemodoraceae | | | |



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| <i>Ophiopogon intermedius</i> D.Don | H | July-Aug. | White |
| Hypoxidaceae | | | |
| <i>Curculigo orchoides</i> Gaertner | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| <i>Hypoxis aurea</i> Lour. | H | July-Aug. | Yellow |
| Agavaceae | | | |
| <i>Agave cantula</i> Roxb. | S | Aug.-Sept. | White-yellow |
| <i>Agave wightii</i> Drummond & Prain | S | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-white |
| Dioscoreaceae | | | |
| <i>Dioscorea belophylla</i> (Prain) Voigt ex Hain. | TH | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-green |
| <i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i> L. | TH | July-Aug. | Pale-green |
| <i>Dioscorea deltoidea</i> Wallich ex Grisebach | TH | May-July | Pale-green |
| <i>Dioscorea melanophryma</i> Prain & Burkil | TH | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-green |
| Pontederiaceae | | | |
| <i>Monochoria vaginalis</i> (Burm. f.) C.B. Presl | H | Oct.-Nov. | Greenish |
| Liliaceae | | | |
| <i>Asparagus adscendens</i> Buch.-Ham. ex Roxb. | SS | Aug.-Nov. | White |
| <i>Asparagus curillus</i> Buch.-Ham. | SS | Feb.-Oct. | White |
| <i>Asparagus gracilis</i> Royle | S | June-Aug. | White |
| Commelinaceae | | | |
| <i>Cyanotis cristata</i> (L.) D.Don | H | July-Sept. | Blue |
| Palmae | | | |
| <i>Phoenix humilis</i> Royle | S | Oct.-Nov. | Pale-yellow |
| Araceae | | | |
| <i>Arisaema flavum</i> (Forsk.) Schott. | H | June-July | Green-yellow |
| <i>Arisaema tortuosum</i> (Wallich) Schott. | H | May-Aug. | Pale-green |
| <i>Colocasia esculenta</i> (L.) Schott. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-green |
| <i>Remusatia vivipara</i> (Roxb.) Schott. | H | May-July | Yellow-green |
| Cyperaceae | | | |
| <i>Carex condensata</i> Nees ex Wight | H | Sept.-Oct. | Brown |
| <i>Carex filicina</i> Nees ex Wight | H | Sept.-Oct. | Reddish-brown |
| <i>Carex setigera</i> D.Don | H | July-Sept. | Pale-brown |
| <i>Cyperus cuspidatus</i> H.B.K. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Reddish-yellow |
| <i>Cyperus niveus</i> Retz. | H | May-June | White |
| <i>Cyperus pangorie</i> Rottboell | H | Aug.-Sept. | Brownish-red |
| <i>Eriophorum comosum</i> (Wall.) Wallich ex Nees | H | Aug.-Sept. | Red-brown |
| <i>Fimbristylis falcata</i> (Vahl) Kunth | H | July-Aug. | Pale-brown |
| <i>Kyllinga brevifolia</i> Rottboell | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Kyllinga squamulata</i> Thonning ex Vahl | H | Aug.-Sept. | Brown-green |
| <i>Mariscus sieberainus</i> Nees ex C.B. Clarke | H | Aug.-Sept. | Dark-brown |
| Poaceae (Gramineae) | | | |
| <i>Alloteropsis cimicina</i> (L.) Stapf. | H | Aug.-Sept. | White-green |
| <i>Apluda mutica</i> L. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Apluda varia</i> Hack. | H | May-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Arundinella bengalensis</i> (Sprengel) Druce. | H | July-Aug. | Green |
| <i>Arundinella falcata</i> Nees | H | Sept.-Oct. | Greenish-purple |
| <i>Arundinella nepalensis</i> Trinius | H | Oct. | Brown-purple |
| <i>Arundinella pumila</i> (Hochst. ex Rich.) Steudel | H | Aug.-Sept. | Greenish-purple |
| <i>Arundinella spathiflora</i> Trinius | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Avena fatua</i> L. | H | June | Yellowish-green |
| <i>Bothriochloa ischaemum</i> (L.) Keng. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Purple |
| <i>Brachiaria ramosa</i> (L.) Stapf. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Capillipedium assimile</i> (Steudel) A. Camus | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |



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| <i>Chrysopogon distans</i> W. Watson | H | Aug.-Sept. | Purple |
| <i>Chrysopogon echinulatus</i> (Nees) W. Watson | H | Aug.-Oct. | Purple |
| <i>Chrysopogon martini</i> (Roxb.) Watson | H | Sept.-Oct. | Pale-purple |
| <i>Chrysopogon serrulatus</i> Trinius | H | Sept.-Oct. | Brown |
| <i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Persoon | H | May-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Digitaria biformis</i> Willd | H | Aug.-Sept. | Silvery-white |
| <i>Digitaria cruciata</i> (Nees ex Steudel) A.Camus | H | July-Aug. | Green |
| <i>Digitaria granularis</i> (Trinius) Henrard | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Digitaria sanguinalis</i> (L.) Scop. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Digitaria setigera</i> Roth ex Roemer & Schult. | H | July-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Eragrostis atrovirens</i> (Desf.) Trinius ex Steud. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Eragrostis poaeoides</i> P. Beauv. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Pale-green |
| <i>Helictotrichon virescens</i> (Nees ex Steudel) Henrard | H | July-Sept. | Green/yellow |
| <i>Heteropogon contortus</i> (L.) P. Beauv. ex Roemer & Schultes | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Koeleria cristata</i> (L.) Persoon | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Microstegium nudum</i> (Trinius) A. Camus | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Microstegium vimineum</i> (Trinius) A. Camus | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Muhlenbergia himalayensis</i> Hack. ex Hook. f. | H | Oct.-Nov. | Pale-green |
| <i>Neyraudia arundinacea</i> (L.) Henrard | H | Sept.-Oct. | Pale-purple |
| <i>Oplismenus compositus</i> (L) P. Beauv. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Oplismenus undulatifolius</i> (Ardoino) P. Beauv. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Paspalidium flavidum</i> (Retz.) A. Camus | H | Aug.-Sept. | Purplish-green |
| <i>Paspalum dilatatum</i> Poir. | H | April-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Paspalum distichum</i> L. | H | April-Oct. | Pale-pink |
| <i>Pennisetum flaccidum</i> Grisebach | H | July-Oct. | Purplish-green |
| <i>Pennisetum orientale</i> L. C. Richard | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Polygonatum paniceum</i> (Lam.) Hackel | H | Dec.-Mar. | Pale-yellow |
| <i>Saccharum bengalensis</i> Retz. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Pale-purple |
| <i>Saccharum spontaneum</i> L. | H | Sept.-Nov. | Grey-white |
| <i>Setaria glauca</i> (L.) P. Beauv. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Yellow |
| <i>Setaria pallide-fusca</i> (Schumach) Stapt. et. C. E. Hubb. | H | June-Aug. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Setaria tomentosa</i> (Roxb.) Kunth. | H | Aug.-Sept. | Green |
| <i>Sporobolus diander</i> (Retz.) P. Beauv. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Sporobolus indicus</i> (L.) R. Br. | H | Sept.-Oct. | Green |
| <i>Thysanolaena maxima</i> (Roxb.) O. Kuntze | H | Sept.-Oct. | Greenish-yellow |
| <i>Tripogon filiformis</i> Nees ex Steud | H | Aug.-Sept. | Purplish-green |
| Pinaceae | | | |
| <i>Cedrus deodara</i> (Royle ex D. Don) G. Don | PIT | Aug.-Nov. | |
| <i>Pinus roxburghii</i> Sargent | T | Jan-June | |
| Ferns : Adiantaceae | | | |
| <i>Adiantum incisum</i> Forssk | Tf | - | - |
| <i>Adiantum venustum</i> D. Don | Tf | - | - |
| Aspidiaceae | | | |
| <i>Tectaria coadunata</i> (Wall. ex Hook. et. Grev.) C. Chr. | Tf | - | - |
| Athyriaceae | | | |
| <i>Athyrium pectinatum</i> (Wall. ex Mett.) Moore | Tf/Ep | - | - |
| <i>Athyrium schimperi</i> Moug. ex Fee | Tf/Ep | - | - |
| Cheilanthesceae | | | |
| <i>Cheilanthes farinosa</i> (Forsk) Kaulf | Tf | - | - |



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| Dryopteridaceae | | | |
| <i>Dryopteris caroli-hopei</i> Fr.-Jenkins | Tf | - | - |
| <i>Polystichum squarrosum</i> (D.Don) Fee | Tf | - | - |
| Polypodiaceae | | | |
| <i>Lepisorus amaurolepida</i> (Sledge) Bir. et Trikha. | Ep | - | - |
| <i>Lepisorus contortus</i> (Christ) Ching | Ep/Tf | - | - |
| <i>Microsorium membranaceum</i> (D.Don) Ching | Ep/Tf | - | - |
| <i>Polypodium microrhizoma</i> Clarke | Tf | - | - |
| <i>Pyrrosia flocculosa</i> (D.Don) Ching | Ep/Tf | - | - |
| Pteridaceae | | | |
| <i>Pteris quadriaurita</i> Retz. | Tf | - | - |
| fern-allies: Selaginellaceae | | | |
| <i>Selaginella chrysorrhiza</i> Spring. | Tf | - | - |

H= Herb **S**= Shrub **T**= Tree **PIT**= Planted tree **CIS**= Climbric shrub **CIH**= Climbric herb **PS**= Parasitic shrub **EpH**= Epiphytic herb **TrH**= Terristrial herb **SS**= Scand shrub **TH**= Twining herb **Tf**= Terristrial fern **Ep**= Epiphytic fern.

Table 2. Vegetational status of the study area

| HABITS | NUMBER OF SPECIES |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Herbs | 320 |
| Shrubs | 84 |
| Trees | 37 |
| Ferns | 14 |
| Ferrns-Allies | 01 |

Table3. Number of species on each study site (with road side) of the study area

| SITES | NUMBER OF SPECIES |
|------------|-------------------|
| South-East | 359 |
| North-West | 268 |
| North | 264 |
| North-East | 274 |
| South | 237 |
| South-West | 253 |
| Road-Side | 344 |

Table 4. Plant diversity of the study area

| SN. | PLANTS GROUPS | GENERA | SPECIES | FAMILIES |
|-----|----------------|--------|---------|----------|
| 1. | Angiosperms | | | |
| A. | Dicotyledons | 218 | 343 | 71 |
| B. | Monocotyledons | 75 | 96 | 13 |
| 2. | Gymnosperms | 02 | 02 | 01 |
| 3. | Pteridophytes | | | |
| A. | Ferns | 10 | 14 | 09 |
| B. | Fern-allies | 01 | 01 | 01 |
| | TOTAL | 306 | 456 | 95 |



Table 5. List of ten dominant families of the study area

| SN. | FAMILIES | GENERA | SPECIES |
|-----|---------------|--------|---------|
| 1 | Poaceae | 27 | 48 |
| 2 | Asteraceae | 31 | 42 |
| 3 | Papilionaceae | 14 | 34 |
| 4 | Lamiaceae | 16 | 28 |
| 5 | Acanthaceae | 13 | 16 |
| 6 | Rubaceae | 09 | 15 |
| 7 | Rosaceae | 07 | 12 |
| 8 | Orchidaceae | 09 | 12 |
| 9 | Cyperaceae | 06 | 11 |
| 10 | Ranunculaceae | 05 | 10 |

Table 6. List of dominant genera of the study area

| SN . | GENERA | NUMBER OF SPECIES |
|------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | <i>Desmodium</i> | 08 |
| 2 | <i>Cassia</i> | 06 |
| 3 | <i>Indigofera</i> | 06 |
| 4 | <i>Solanum</i> | 06 |
| 5 | <i>Rubus</i> | 05 |
| 6 | <i>Arundinella</i> | 05 |
| 7 | <i>Digitaria</i> | 05 |

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