



Haritarium

Family Code: 35

Species code: 7 - 1A

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Ceropegia noorjahaniae Ansari

Botanical name: *Ceropegia noorjahaniae* Ansari

Vernacular name: -

Family : Ascepiadaceae

Threatened category: **Rare** (Nair and Sastry ,1988), **Endangered** (Mishra & Singh 2001), **Vulnerable** (Gaikwad & Yadav, 2004)

Key characters: 2.7 cm long corolla, glabrous corolla lobes and outer corona and erect inner corona with straight apex.

Description: Tuberous herbs, erect 15-50 cm high, weak, occasionally exhibits the tender twining stems pubescent above. Leaves opposite, linear to lanceolate, hairy above. Cymes 3-4 flowered; peduncles 3-4 mm long; pedicels 6-7 mm long, glabrous; bracts 2-2.5 mm long, subulate. Calyx 5 partite, lobes 4 mm long, glabrous. Corolla 2- 2.7 cm long, slightly curved, glabrous; tube 1.2-1.4 cm long, subcylindric, base inflated, glabrous inside; lobes 9-13 mm long, linear-oblong above; from ovate-deltoid base. Outer corona of 5, obtusely bifid or emarginated lobes, copular; inner of 5 erect, 3 mm long, linear-subclavate. Follicles in pairs, 9 cm long, glabrous. Seeds many, 3.5 X 2.5 mm, ovate; coma 2 cm long.

Flowering and fruiting: July to September.

Distribution: Endemic to Western Ghats of Maharashtra.

Reported Localities: Satara (Jarandeshwar, Kartikswami, Munavale, Pateshwar, Wai-Pachgani ghat, Yaveteshwar).

Ecology: Occasionally found on exposed open gravelly slopes among Grasses in degraded forest areas. Altitude ranges between 600-1200m.

Association: No specific plant association is observed. However, grows among small sized grasses, *Iphigenia indica*, *Zingiber neesatum* and bushes of *Lantana camera*.



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1.Habit, 2., 6. Flower, 3. Pollinia, 4. Corona, 5.Tuber, 7. Dissected flower, 8. Leaf -Ventraal view, 9. Leaf - Dorsal view,



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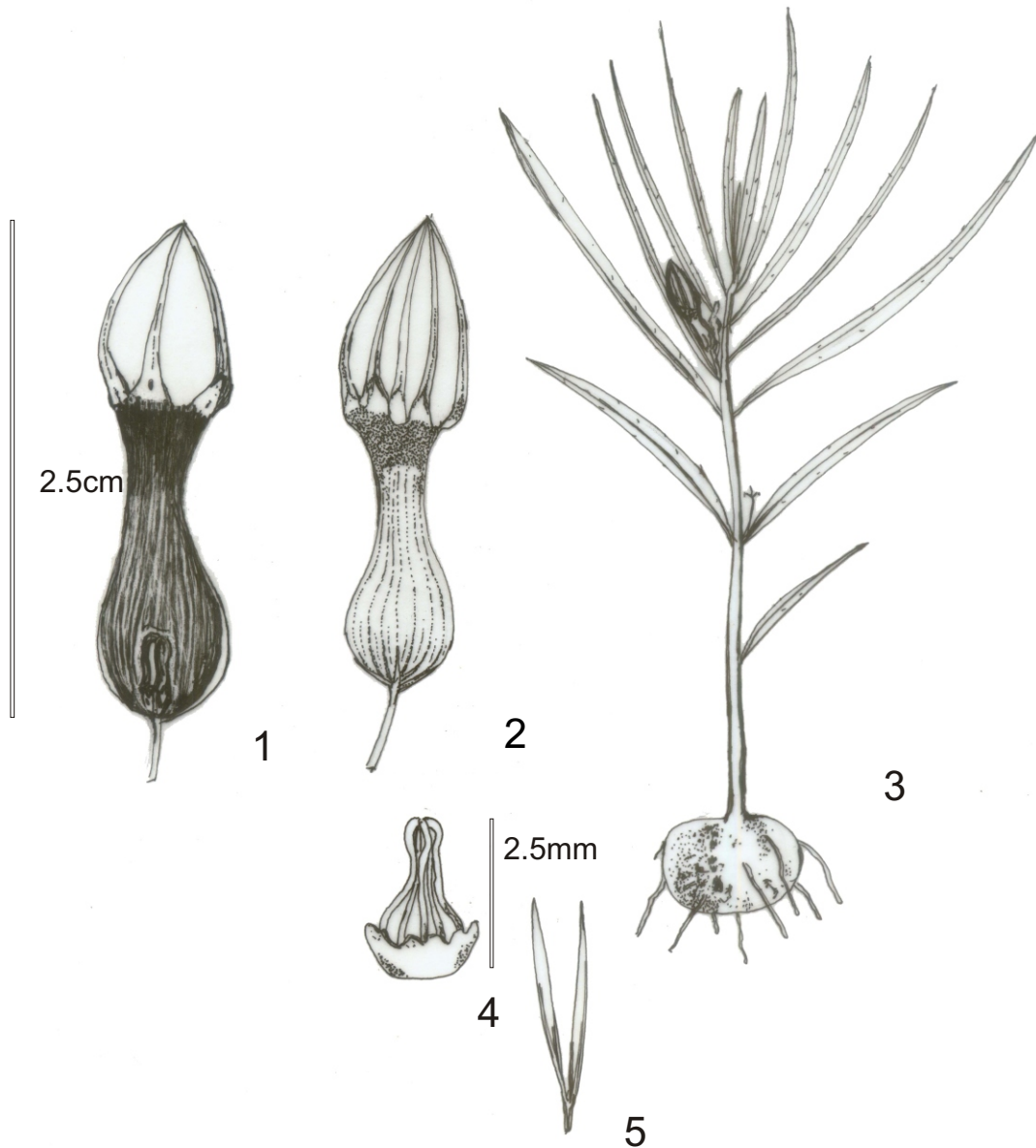
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1. Dissected flower, 2. Flower, 3. Habit, 4. Corona, 5. Follicle.



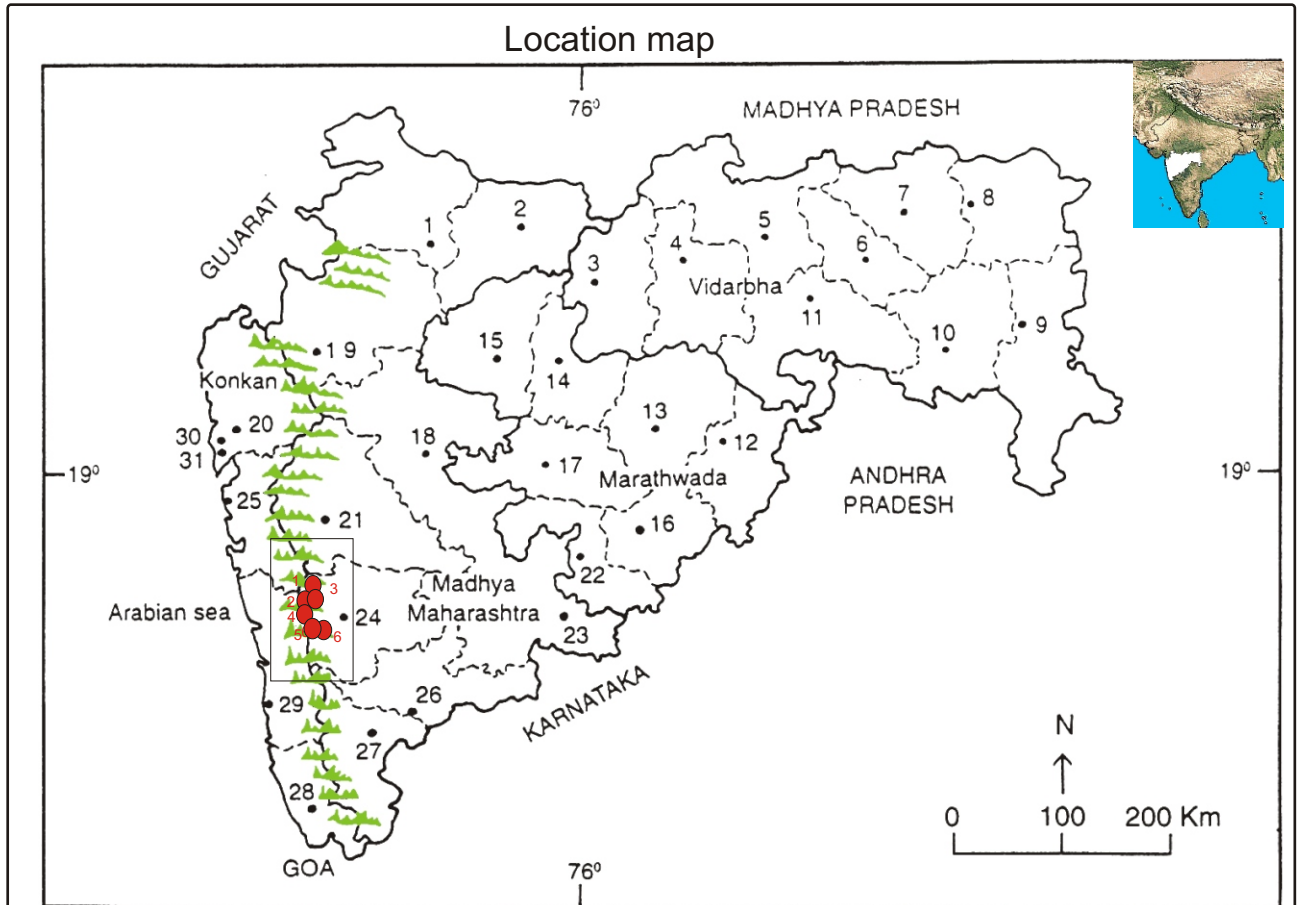
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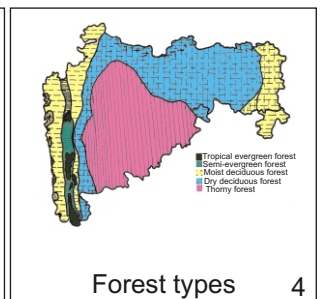
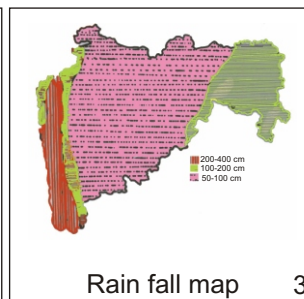
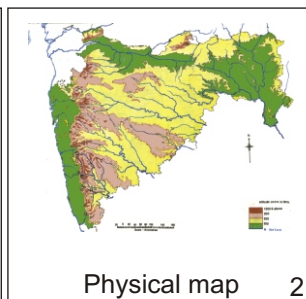
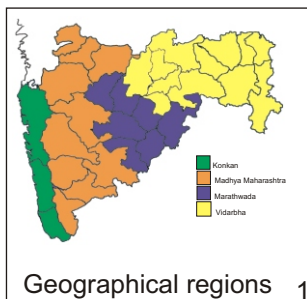
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 10. Chandrapur 11. Yavatmal 12. Nanded 13. Parbhani 14. Jalna 15. Aurangabad 16.Latur
 17. Beed 18. Ahmadnagar 19 Nashik 20. Thane 21. Pune 22. Osmanabad 23. Solapur 24.Satara
 25. Raigad 26.Sangli 27. Kolhapur 28. Sindhudurg 29. Ratnagiri 30.Mumbai 31.Greater Mumbai.



Localities- ●

A.Satara (1.Jarandeshwar, 2.Kartikswami, 3.Munavale, 4.Pateshwar, 5.Wai -Pachgani ghat, 6.Yaveteshwar).



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