Haritarium

Family Code: 125 Species code: <u>17</u> - 10A

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Ipomoea deccana D.F.Austin

Botanical name: Ipomoea deccana D.F.Austin (= *I. bracteata* Wight var. *lobata* C.B.Cl.)

Vernacular name: -

Family : Convolvulaceae

Threatened category:

- **Key characters**: Twinning herb, pubescent, Bracts two, overlapping at bases. Leaves trilobed, purplish funnel shaped corolla.
- **Description**: Herbs, twinning, stems pubescent with spreading trichomes. Leaves ovate, cordate, 2-4 cm long, 3-7 lobed, sometimes nearly to base apices acute, narrowed near their bases, base cordate, pubescent on both surfaces. Inflorescence in head-like cymose clusters, covered by boatshaped Involucral bracts, about 1.5 cm long, apically acute at apex; flowers sessile to sub sessile; calyx sub equal, lanceolate-acuminate, 7-9 mm long, pubescent with spreading trichomes; corolla purplish, funnel form, 1.5 -2 cm long. Capsules about 5 mm across, papery. Seeds ellipsoid, minutely fulvous silky.

Flowering and fruiting: September- November.

Distribution: India – Endemic to Kerala and Maharashtra.

Localities: Ratnagiri.

Ecology: It grows on waste spaces, open spaces.

Association: Grasses.



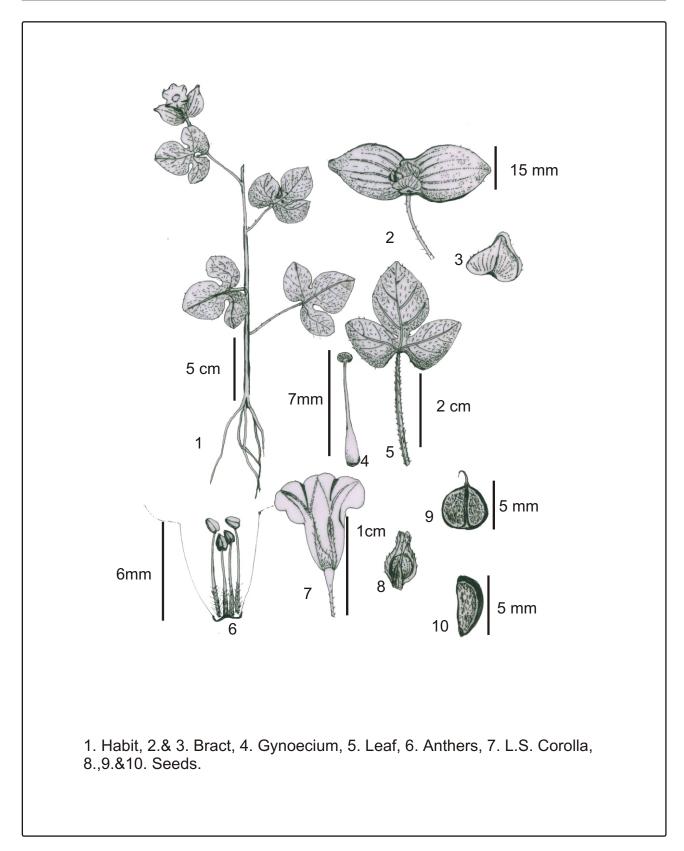
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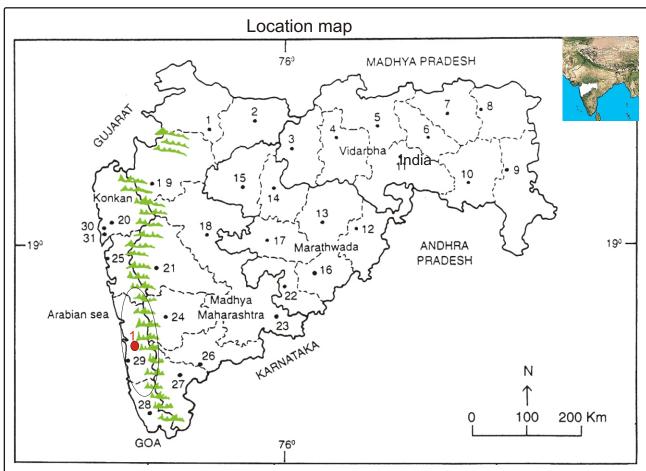




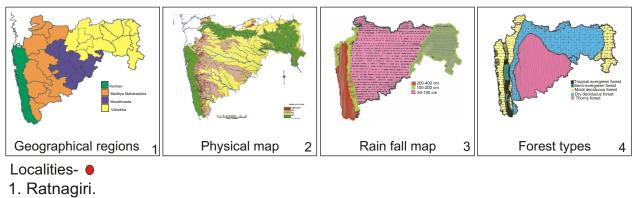








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Raigad 26. Sangli 27. Kolhapur 28. Sindhudurg 29. Ratnagiri 30.Mumbai 31.Greater Mumbai.



Geographical distribution in Maharashtra:

Latitude (DMS): Between 16° 95'-18 ° 31' N & Longitude (DMS): 73 ° - 73° 50' E.

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