



AN UPDATED ACCOUNT OF THE NAME CHANGES OF THE DICOTYLEDONOUS PLANT SPECIES INCLUDED IN THE VOL: I (1934-36) & VOL: II (1938) OF “FLORA OF ASSAM”

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Abstract

Changes in botanical names of flowering plants are an issue which comes up from time to time. While there are valid scientific reasons for such changes, it also creates some difficulties to the floristic workers in the preparation of a new flora. Further, all the important monumental floras of the world have most of the plants included in their old names, which are now regarded as synonyms. In north east India, “Flora of Assam” is an important flora as it includes result of pioneering floristic work on Angiosperms & Gymnosperms in the region. But, in the study of this flora, the same problems of name changes appear before the new researchers. Therefore, an attempt is made here to prepare an updated account of the new names against their old counterparts of the plants included in the first two volumes of the flora, on the basis of recent standard taxonomic literatures. In this, the unresolved & controversial names are not touched & only the confirmed ones are taken into account. In the process new names of 470 (four hundred & seventy) dicotyledonous plant species included in the concerned flora are found out.

Key words : Name changes, Flora of Assam, Dicotyledonous plants, floristic works.

Introduction

Scientific names of plants change for various reasons, most of which fall into three main categories. The first two are nomenclature and misidentification. In case of the nomenclature, names changes are based on the rule of priority of publication. This rule, stipulated in the ICBN (International Code of Nomenclature for Algae, Fungi & Plants now), states that if a species has been named more than once, the first correctly published name is the one that must be used; all others become unused synonyms. A long-established name can sometimes be replaced by an earlier published name, if new details emerge about the order of publication. Sometimes the name of an economically important or otherwise well known plant is conserved for use even though, it is technically incorrect. Conservation is a formal process that requires a decision at an International Botanical Congress. In case of the reason of misidentification, plants are sometimes brought into cultivation, propagated and widely distributed under an incorrect name. By the time the misidentification can be rectified the incorrect name may already be in widespread use. The third and most

common type of name change happens when advances in our botanical knowledge lead to reclassifications. All the scientific plant names generated by taxonomists are based solely on hypotheses. A taxonomist, often in the distant past, proposed that a newly discovered plant should be classified as a member of a particular genus, based on the similarity of morphological characteristics shared by other members of that genus. This naming was usually based on the hypothesis that the plant in question was related to other similar-looking plants with similar names—those in the same family or genus. Taxonomists have classified plants based on the perceived evolutionary relationships among them. All species in a genus must be more closely related to each other than they are to species in other genera. In the best-case scenario, a species consists of all descendants of a common ancestor. Recently, new taxonomic information has accumulated in an accelerated fashion since the advent of DNA sequencing, and that has resulted in a recent flurry of reclassification. Comparing DNA sequences amongst different species has proven to be an effective way to determine relatedness. As old

taxonomies succumb to new understanding, name changes are sometimes required to uphold the principle that names must represent true evolutionary relationships. Sometimes, to achieve the goal of having a taxonomic group represent an evolutionary lineage, a genus or family that does not meet these criteria must be split apart. In other cases, mergers bring about the desired results. Similarly, many species have been transferred from one genus to another. Even modern taxonomy, however, has its pitfalls and disagreements emerge about interpretations of plant names and relatedness. In the world of DNA sequences, the judgment and experience of taxonomists still plays an important part in determining the names assigned to plants. Therefore, plant names will continue to change for the reasons described above.

But because of name changes, various difficulties arise in the preparation of new floras after the classical field survey. The floristic worker may identify a specimen in a herbarium where plants are in old name, but whenever the worker search in literature he finds that the name is changed and a new name is already accepted as an established one. Then the references for the new name have to be again searched in new literature for the publication record of the new name. Similarly, there is difficulty in studying old flora is that; most of the monumental floras include plant in old names. Every time a plant name included in old flora has to be confirmed as whether the name is currently accepted one or it has become a synonym of a newly accepted name. Sometimes a plant may be included in many different names in different floras making the enumeration process painstaking. Every floristic worker goes through such difficulties in flora preparations.

In case of floristic studies in north east India the “Flora of Assam” is the only literature to present the whole of North East India including even a part of Sylhet District of present Bangladesh. The first four volumes were published by Upendra Nath Kanjilal and his associates from 1934 to 1940, which dealt with the Dicotyledons & Gymnosperms. Later N. L. Bor published the fifth volume included only the Gramineae (Poaceae) among Monocotyledons. Therefore, it is the basic literature which every floristic researcher treats as a background whenever a new systematic survey starts. Its importance also remains till date by the fact that floras of only a few north eastern states have been prepared and even some areas are not touched for decades. Thus, the importance of “Flora of Assam” is still realized. Every time a researcher explores an area, he or she has to search this literature for character match, enumeration, local names, nomenclatures etc. But, a serious difficulty

of studying this flora is that the botanical nomenclatures used in this flora are changed very much now. Most of the plant names included in this flora are now changed by newly accepted names. Therefore, these names are now regarded as synonyms. Floristic workers have to always search for newly accepted names in more recent literatures, whenever they try to prepare a new flora of a certain region, though the plant may be already present in a different name in “Flora of Assam”. Therefore, an attempt has been made here to find out & enlist all confirmed new names of the plants against their old synonyms with author citations. The attempt is fully based on taxonomic literatures, which aims at solving the name change related difficulties of the plants included in the “Flora of Assam, Vol:I(Part 1-2:1934-36) & Vol:II(1938)”.

Materials and Methods

The procedure followed here is a literary one. The standard recent taxonomic literatures (Bennet, 1987; Bhagawati *et al.*, 2006; Chowdhery *et al.*, 2009; Chowdhury, 2005; Das *et al.*, 2013; Deb, 1981 & 1983; Giri *et al.*, 2008; Ghosh, 2005; Gogoi, 1997; Goswami, 2003; Hajra, 1996; Haridasan *et al.*, 1985 & 1987; Kartikeyan *et al.*, 2009; Malakar, 1995; Rashid *et al.*, 2011; Rashid *et al.*, 2012; Sarkar, 1993; Sarma, 1989; Sharma *et al.*, 1993; Singh *et al.*, 2000) related to these plants are thoroughly searched. In addition, important taxonomic resources at the internet (JSTOR, EFLORAS, GRIN/NPGS, IPNI, THE PLANT LIST, MMPND, TROPICOS, GBIF, PFAF, Sp2000, USDA PLANTS, BOLD Systems Taxonomic Browser, Catalogue of Life, Discover Life, Springer Reference, ITIS, Plantsystematics.org, ePIC, Biodiversity Heritage Library, Global Names Index, India Biodiversity Portal) are also searched and the confirmed new names are brushed out. Then they are arranged in a list according to the seriality of the original copy of first two volumes of “Flora of Assam”.

Results and Discussion

The account of the name changes are presented as a family wise list, using the old family names as presented in the flora. In the listing of the species, first an old name included in the flora with author citation is presented; which is followed by the newly accepted name with citation as follows:

Volume : 1 : Part one

Ranunculaceae: [1] *Clematis nutans* Royle : *Clematis royle* Rehder **Dilleniaceae:** [2] *Delima sarmentosa* Linn. : *Tetracera sarmentosa* (L.) Vahl.

- Magnoliaceae** : [3] *Magnolia sphenocarpa* Roxb. : *Magnolia pterocarpa* Roxb. [4] *Mangliatia insignis* Bl. : *Magnolia insignis* Wall. [5] *Manglietia hookeri* Cubitt & Smith : *Magnolia hookeri* (Cubitt & W.W.Sm.) D.C.S.Raju [6] *Manglietia caveana* Hk.f. & Th. : *Magnolia caveana* (Hk. f. & Thomson) D.C.S.Raju [7] *Talauma hodgsonii* Hk. f. & Th. : *Magnolia hodgsonii* (Hk. f. Thomson) H.Keng [8] *Talauma rabaniana* Hk. f. & Th. : *Magnolia rabaniana* (Hk. f. Thomson) D.C.S.Raju & M.P.Nayar [9] *Talauma phellocarpa* King : *Magnolia baillonii* Pierre. [10] *Pachylarnarnax pleiocarpa* Dandy : *Magnolia pleiocarpa* (Dandy) Figlar & Noot [11] *Michelia cathcartii* Hk.f.&Th. : *Magnolia cathcartii* (Hook f. Thomson) Noot [12] *Michelia excelsa* Bl. : *Magnolia doltsopa* (Buch. Ham. ex DC.) Figlar [13] *Michelia lanuginosa* Wall. : *Magnolia lanuginosa* (Wall.) Figlar & Noot [14] *Michelia champaca* Linn. : *Magnolia champaca* (L.) Baill. ex. Pierre. [15] *Michelia kisopa* DC. : *Magnolia kisopa* (Buch. Ham ex. DC.) Figlar [16] *Michelia panduana* Hk. : *Magnolia panduana* (Hook. f. Thomson) Figlar [17] *Michelia oblonga* Wall. : *Magnolia oblonga* (Wall. ex. Hook. f. Thomson) Figlar [18] *Michelia manni* King : *Magnolia manni* (King) Figlar [19] *Michelia manipurensis* Watt. : *Magnolia doltsopa* (Buch. & Ham. ex DC) Figlar [20] *Michelia montana* Bl. : *Magnolia montana* (Blume) Figlar [21] *Michelia kingii* Dandy : *Magnolia kingii* (Dandy) Figlar [22] *Michelia wardii* Dandy : *Magnolia doltsopa* (Buch. & Ham. ex DC) Figlar [23] *Schizandra axillaries* Hk. f. Th. : *Schizandra propinqua* subsp. *axillaris* (Blume) R.M.K. Saunders [24] *Kadsura roxburghiana* Arn. : *Kadsura heteroclita* (Roxb.) Craib **Annonaceae** : [25] *Unona praecox* Hk. f. Th. : *Desmos praecox* (Hook. f. Thomson) Saff. [26] *Unona longiflora* Roxb. : *Dasymaschalon longiflorum* (Roxb.) Finet & Gagnep [27] *Unona discolor* Vahl. : *Desmos chinensis* Lour. [28] *Unona dumosa* Roxb. : *Desmos dumosus* (Roxb.) Saff. [29] *Melodorum wallichii* Hk. f. Th. : *Fissistigma wallichii* (Hook f. Thomson) Merr. [30] *Melodorum polyanthum* Hk. f. Th. : *Fissistigma polyanthum* (Hook. f. Thomson) Merrill **Menispermaceae** : [31] *Pericampylus incanus* Miers. : *Pericampylus glaucus* (Lamarck) Merrill [32] *Tinospora malabarica* Miers. : *Tinospora sinensis* (Lour.) Merrill [33] *Tinospora mastersii* Diels. : *Tinospora crispa* (L.) Hook. f. Thomson [34] *Anamirta paniculata* Colebr. : *Anamirta cocculus* (L.) Wight & Arn. [35] *Limacia cuspidata* Hk. f. Th. : *Hypserpa nitida* Miers. ex Benth. [35] *Cocculus macrocarpus* W. & A. : *Diploclisia glaucescence* (Blume) Diels [36] *Cocculus mollis* wall. : *Cocculus orbiculatus* (L.) DC **Berberidaceae** : [37] *Mahonia nepalensis* DC : *Mahonia nepaulensis* DC **Nymphaeaceae** : [38] *Brasenia peltata* Pursh. : *Brasenia scaber* J. F. Gmel. [39] *Nymphaea stellata* Willd. : *Nymphaea nauchalli* Burm. f. [40] *Nymphaea pygmaea* Aiton. : *Nymphaea tetragona* Georgi **Fumariaceae** : [41] *Dicentra torulosa* Hk. f. Th. : *Dactylicapnos torulosa* (Hook. f. Th.) Hutch. [42] *Dicentra roylei* Hk. f. Th. : *Dactylicapnos roylei* (Hook . f. Th.) Hutch. [43] *Dicentra thalictrifolia* Hk. f. Th. : *Dactylicapnos scandens* (D. Don) Hutch. **Crucifereae** : [44] *Nasturtium indicum* DC : *Rorippa indica* (L.) Hiern **Capparidaceae** : [45] *Gynandropsis pentaphylla* DC : *Cleome gynandra* L. [46] *Crataeva roxburghii* R.Br. : *Crataeva adansonii* subsp. *odora* (Buch. – Ham.) Jacobs [47] *Crataeva nurvala* Ham. : *Crataeva nurvala* Buch.- Ham. [48] *Crataeva lophosperma* Kurz. : *Crataeva nurvala* Buch. – Ham. [49] *Capparis pumilla* Champion : *Capparis cantoniensis* Lour. [50] *Capparis horrida* L. : *Capparis zeylanica* L. [51] *Capparis sabiaefolia* Hk. f. Th. : *Capparis acutifolia* subsp. *sabifolia* (Hook. f. Th.) Jacobs [52] *Roydsia suaveolens* Roxb. : *Stixis suaveolens* (Roxb.) Pierre. **Violaceae** : [53] *Viola diffusa* Ging. : *Viola cerassifolia* Saint-Hilaire [54] *Viola serpens* Wall. : *Viola pilosa* Blume [55] *Alsodeia roxburghii* Wall/ Hk. f. Th. : *Rinorea roxburghii* Kuntze [56] *Asodeia racemosa* Hk. & Th./Mart. : *Rinorea racemosa* (Mart.) Kuntze **Flacourtiaceae** : [57] *Homaleum bhamoense* Cubit et Smith. : *Homaleum ceylanicum* (Gardner) Benth. [58] *Flacourtia cataphracta* Roxb. : *Flacourtia jangomas* (Lour.) Raeusch. [59] *Casearia esculenta* Roxb. : *Guidonia esculenta* (Roxb.) Baill. [60] *Caesaria vareca* Roxb. : *Guidonia vareca* (Roxb.) Baill. ex. Kurze **Pittosporaceae** : [61] *Pittosporum floribundum* W. & A. : *Pittosporum nepaulense* (DC.) Rehder & E. H. Wilson **Polygalaceae** : [62] *Polygala leptalea* DC. : *Polygala longifolia* Poir [63] *Polygala glomerata* Lour. : *Polygala chinensis* var. *chinensis* L. [63] *Securidaca tevoyana* Wall. : *Securidaca inappendiculata* Hassk. **Hypericaceae** : [64] *Hypericum breviflorum* Wall. : *Triadenum brevifolium* (Wall. ex. Dyer) Y. Kimura **Guttiferae** : [65] *Garcinia affinis* Wall. : *Garcinia anomala* Planch. & Triana [66] *Garcinia paniculata* Roxb. : *Garcinia sopsopia* (Buch – Ham.) Mabb. [67] *Ochrocarpus siamensis* T. Anders. : *Mammea siamensis* T. Anders. [68] *Kayea assamica* King & Prain : *Mesua assamica* (King & Prain) Kosterm. **Ternstroemiaceae** : [69] *Cleyera ochracea* DC. : *Cleyera japonica* Thunb. [70] *Camellia drupifera* Lour.

: *Camellia oleifera* Abel [71] *Camellia caduca* C.B. Clarke : *Camellia kissii* Wall. **Dipterocarpaceae**: [72] *Dipterocarpus macrocarpus* Vesque : *Dipterocarpus retusus* Blume [73] *Dipterocarpus mannii* King : *Dipterocarpus retusus* Blume [74] *Vatica shingkeng* Dunn. : *Hopea shingkeng* (Dunn) Bor **Ancistrocladaceae**: [75] *Ancistrocladus extensus* Wall. : *Ancistrocladus tectorius* (Lour.) Merr. **Malvaceae**: [76] *Sida carpinifolia* L. : *Sida acuta* Burm. f. [77] *Hibiscus abelmoschus* L. : *Abelmoschus moschatus* Medik [78] *Hibiscus pungens* Roxb. : *Abelmoschus manihot* var. *pungens* (Roxb.) Hochr. [79] *Hibiscus esculentus* Linn. : *Abelmoschus esculentus* (L.) Moench. [80] *Thespesia macrophylla* Blume : *Thespesia populnea* (L.) Sol. ex. Correa [81] *Bombax malabaricum* DC. : *Bombax ceiba* Linn. [82] *Eriodendron anfractuosum* DC. : *Ceiba pentandra* (L.) Gaertn. **Sterculiaceae**: [83] *Sterculia colorata* Roxb.: *Firmiana colorata* (Roxb.) R.Br. [84] *Sterculia roxburghii* Wall. : *Sterculia lanceifolia* Roxb. [85] *Sterculia alata* Roxb.: *Pterygota alata* (Roxb.) R.Br. [86] *Dombeya mastersii* Hk.f. : *Dombeya bargessiae* Gerrard ex. Harv. & Sond. **Tilliaceae**: [87] *Grewia microcosm* Linn. : *Grewia nervosa* (Lour.) Panigrahi [88] *Grewia elastica* Royle : *Grewia eriocarpa* Juss. [89] *Grewia disperma* Rottl. : *Grewia serrulata* DC. [90] *Triumpheta pilosa* Roth. : *Triumpheta bogotensis* DC. [91] *Triumpheta tomentosa* Boir. : *Triumpheta cana* Bl. **Elaeocarpaceae**: [92] *Elaeocarpus ganitrus* Roxb.: *Elaeocarpus serratus* L. [93] *Elaeocarpus robustus* Roxb. : *Elaeocarpus tectoreus* (Lour.) Poir [94] *Elaeocarpus sikkimensis* Mast.: *Elaeocarpus stipularis* var. *siamensis* (Craib) Coode [95] *Elaeocarpus aristatus* Roxb.: *Elaeocarpus rugosus* Roxb. ex. G. Don [96] *Elaeocarpus integer* Wall. : *Elaeocarpus petiolatus* (Jacq.) Wall. [97] *Echinocarpus assamicus* Benth. : (Doubtfull) *Sloanea sterculiacea* var. *assamica* (Benth.) Coode [98] *Echinocarpus dasycarpus* Benth. : (Doubtfull) *Sloanea dasycarpa* (Beth.) Hemsl. [99] *Echinocarpus tomentosus* Benth.: (Doubtfull) *Sloanea tomentosa* (Benth.) Rehdar & E.H. Wilson [100] *Echinocarpus sigun* Blume : (Doubtfull) *Sloanea sigun* (Blume) K. Schumann.

Plants mentioned at a preface at the juncture of part I & II of Volume I, but not described:

[101] *Ranunculus laetus* Wall. : *Ranunculus distans* Wall. ex. Royle [102] *Cocculus villosa* DC : *Cocculus hirsutus* (L.) W. Theob. [103] *Abutilon striatum* Dick. : *Abutilon pictum* (Gillies ex. Hook.) Walp. [104] *Amoora spectabilis* Miq.: *Aglaiia spectabilis* (Miq.) S.S. Jain &

S. Bennet [105] *Eyuonymus griffithii* Kurz.: *Glyptopetalum angulatum* (Griff.) Ckkrab. & M.G. Gangop. [106] *Euonymus pendulus* Wall. : *Euonymus lucidus* D. Don [107] *Celastrus championii* Benth.: *Celastrus monospermus* Roxb. [108] *Vitis himalayana* Brand.: *Parthenocissus semicordata* (Wall.) Planch. [109] *Leea sundaica* Miq.: *Leea indica* (Burm.f.) Merr.

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Linaceae: [110] *Reinwardtia trigyna* Planch : *Reinwardtia indica* Dumort. **Rutaceae**: [111] *Zanthoxylum alatum* Roxb.: *Zanthoxylum armatum* var. *armatum* DC. [112] *Zanthoxylum hamiltonianum* Wall. : *Zanthoxylum nitidum* var. *nitidum* (Roxb.) DC. [113] *Clausena sufruticosa* W. & A. : *Clausena anisata* (Willd.) Hook. f. ex. Benth. [114] *Murraya exotica* Linn. : *Murraya paniculata* (L.) Jack [115] *Atalantia caudate* Hk. f. : *Atalantia simplicifolia* (Roxb.) Engl. [116] *Citrus decumena* Linn. : *Citrus maxima* (Burm.) Osbeck **Simarubaceae**: [117] *Ailanthus grandis* Prain : *Ailanthus integrifolia* subsp. *calycina* (Pierre) Noot [118] *Brucea sumatrana* Roxb.: *Brucea javanica* (L.) Merr. **Ochnaceae**: [119] *Ochna squarrosa* Linn. : *Discladium squarrosus* (L.) Tiegh. **Burseraceae**: [120] *Garuga gamblei* King. : *Garuga floribunda* decaisne var. *gamblei* (King ex. W.W.Sm.) Kalkman [121] *Balsamodendron roxburghii* Arn. : *Commiphora mukul* (Hook. ex. Stocks) Engler **Meliaceae**: [122] *Melia composite* Willd.: *Melia azedarach* Linn. [123] *Dysoxylum procerum* Hiern.: *Dysoxylum excelsum* Blume [124] *Dysoxylum binectariferum* Hk. f. et Bedd.: *Dysoxylum gotadhora* (Buch.-Ham.) Mabb. [125] *Dysoxylum reticulatum* King.: *Dysoxylum gotadhora* (Buch.-Ham.) Mabb. [126] *Chisocheton paniculatus* Hiern.: *Chisocheton cummingianus* subsp. *balansae* (C.DC.) Mabb. [127] *Amoora cucullata* Roxb.: *Aglaiia cucullata* (Roxb.) Rellegr. [128] *Amoora wallichii* King.: *Aglaiia spectabilis* (Miq.) Jain & Bennett [129] *Amoora chittagonga* Hiern.: *Aglaiia chittagonga* Miq. [128] *Aglaiia khasiana* Hiern.: *Aglaiia edulis* (Roxb.) [129] *Aglaiia roxburghiana* Miq. : *Aglaiia elaeagnoidea* (A. Juss.) Benth. [130] *Aglaiia wallichii* Hiern.: *Aglaiia elaeagnoidea* (A. Juss.) Benth. [131] *Cedrela toona* Roxb.: *Toona ciliata* M. Roem [132] *Cedrella febrifuga* C.DC.: *Toona sweni* (Blume) Merr. **Olacaceae**: [133] *Erythralium scandens* BC. : *Erythralium vagum* Mast. [134] *Schoepfia acuminata* Wall.: *Schoepfia fragrans* Wall. **Icacinaceae**: [135] *Apodytes benthamina* Wight.: *Apodytes dimidiata* E. Mey. ex Arn. [136] *Mappia foetida* Miers.: *Nothapodytes nimmoniana* (Graham) Mabb. [137] *Gomphandra*

- axillaris* Wall.: *Gomphandra tetrandra* (Wall.) Sleumer [138] *Cardiopteris lobata* R.Br.: *Cardiopteris quinqueloba* (Hassk.) Hassk. **Aquifoliaceae**: [139] *Ilex sulcata* Wall.: *Ilex umbellata* (Wall.) Loes. [140] *Ilex doniana* DC.: *Ilex excelsa* (Wall.) Voigt [141] *Ilex theaeifolia* Hk.f.: *Ilex odorata* Buch-Ham.ex D.Don [142] *Ilex griffithii* Hk.f.: *Ilex triflora* Blume [143] *Ilex thomsonii* Hk.f.: *Ilex crenata* var. *thomsonii* (Hk.f.) Loes. **Celastraceae**: [144] *Euonymus cinereus* Lawson: *Euonymus echinatus* Wall. [145] *Glyptopetalum griffithii* Prain : *Glyptopetalum angulatum* (Griff.) Chakrab. & Gangop. [146] *Microtropis discolor* Wall.: *Microtropis sessiliflora* Merr.& F.L.Freeman [147] *Celastrus venulosa* Wall.: *Celastrus hindsii* Benth. [148] *Celastrus championii* Benth.: *Celastrus monospermous* Roxb. [149] *Gymnosporia acuminata* Hk.f.: *Maytenus acuminata* (L.f.) 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[390] *Eugenia jambolena* Lam.: *Syzygium cumini* (L.) Skeels [391] *Eugenia fruticosa* Roxb.: *Syzygium fruticosum* DC. [392] *Eugenia khasiana* Duthie: *Syzygium khasianum* (Duthie) N.P.Balagr. [393] *Eugenia oblata* Roxb.: *Syzygium oblatum* (Roxb.) Wall. ex A.M.Cowan & Cowan [394] *Eugenia cuneata* Wall.: *Syzygium cuneatum* Wall. [395] *Eugenia cyanophylla* Kanjilal et Das: *Syzygium cyanophyllum* (Kanjilal et Das) Raizada [396] *Eugenia grata* Wall.: *Eugenia gratum* Wall. [397] *Eugenia bracteata* Roxb.: *Eugenia roxburghi* DC. [398] *Eugenia aborensis* Dunn.: *Syzygium aborense* (Dunn.) Rathkr. & Nair [399] *Decaspermum paniculatum* Kurz.: *Decaspermum parviflorum* (Lam.) A.J.Scott. [400] *Eucalyptus maculata* Hk.: *Corymbia maculata* (Hk.) Hill & Johnson [401] *Callistemon linearis* DC.: *Callistemon lineari* (Schrad. & Wendl.) Colv. ex Sweet **Melastomaceae:** [402] *Osbeckia rostrata* Don.: *Osbeckia stellata* Buch.-Ham. ex KerGawl. [403] *Melastoma normale* Don: *Melastoma malabathricum* L. [404] *Anplectrum assamicum* C.B.Clark: *Medinilla assamica* (C.B.Clark) Chen. [405] *Memecylon grandis* Retz.: *Memecylon pubescens* (C.B.Clark) King **Lythraceae:** [406] *Lagerstroemia flos-reginae* Retz.: *Lagerstroemia speciosa* (L.) Pers [407] *Duabanga sonneratioides* Ham.: *Duabanga grandiflora* (DC.) Walp. **Onagraceae:** [408] *Epilobium hookeri* C.B.Clark: *Epilobium brevifolium* subsp. *trichoneurum* (Hausskn.) P.H.Raven [409] *Epilobium khasianum* C.B.Clark: *Epilobium pannosum* Hausskn. [410] *Jussiaea suffruticosa* L.: *Ludwigia octavalvis* (Jacq.) P.H.Raven [411] *Trapa bispinosa* Roxb.: *Trapa natans* var. *bispinosa* (Roxb.) Makino [412] *Oenothera rosea* Soland: *Oenothera rosea* L'Hér. ex Aiton [413] *Oenothera drummondii* L.: *Oenothera drummondii* Hook. **Passifloraceae:** [414] *Passiflora leschenaultii* DC.: *Decaloba leschenaultii* (DC.) M.Roem. [415] *Passiflora nepalensis* Wall.: *Anthoetina nepalensis* M.Roem. [416] *Passiflora adenophylla* Mast.: *Passiflora subpeltata* Ortega [417] *Modecca trilobata* Roxb.: *Adenia trilobata* (Roxb.) Engl. [418] *Modecca cardiophylla* Mast.: *Adenea cardiophylla* (Mast.) Engl. **Cucurbitaceae:** [419] *Trichosanthes palmata* Roxb.: *Trichosanthes tricuspidata* Lour. [420] *Cephalandra indica* Naud.: *Coccinia grandis* (L.) Voigt. [421] *Thladiantha calcareta* C.B.Clark.: *Thladiantha cordifolia* (Blume) Cogn. var. *cordifolia* [422] *Zehneria umbellata* Thw.: *Solena amplexicaulis* (Lam.) Gandhi [423] *Gynostemma pedak* Bl.: *Gynostemma pentaphyllum* (Thunb.) Makino [424] *Luffa aegyptiaca* Mill.: *Luffa cylindrica* (L.) M.Roem. [425] *Benincasa cerifera* Savi: *Benincasa hispida* (Thunb.) Cogn. [426] *Citrullus vulgaris* Schrad.: *Citrullus lanatus* (Thunb.) Matsum & Nakai [427] *Lagenaria vulgaris* Ser.: *Lagenaria siceraria* (Moline) Standl. [428] *Cucurbita pepo* DC.: *Cucurbita pepo* L. **Begoniaceae:** [429] *Begonia laciniata* Roxb.: *Begonia palmata* D.Don **Cactaceae:** [430] *Mollugo lotoides* Okze.: *Glinus lotoides* L. [431] *Mollugo oppositifolia* L.: *Glinus oppositifolius* (L.) Aug. DC. [432] *Carum copticum* Benth.: *Tachyspermum ammi* (L.) Sprague **Umbelliferae:** [433] *Hydrocotyle asiatica* L.: *Cantella asiatica* (L.) Urb. [434] *Sanicula europea* L.: *Sanicula alata* Buch.-Ham. ex D.Don [435] *Carum khasianum* C.B.Clark: *Tachyspermum khasianum* H.Wolff. [436]

Seseli daucifolium C.B. Clarke: *Cnidium monnieri* (L.) Cusson var. *monnieri* [437] *Oenanthe stolonifera* Wall.: *Oenanthe javanica* (Bl.) DC. subsp. *javanica* [438] *Selinum striatum* Benth.: *Ligusticum striatum* DC. [439] *Heracleum obtusifolium* Wall.: *Heracleum condicis* var. *obtusifolium* (Wall. ex DC.) F.T. Pu & M.F. Watson.

Araliaceae: [440] *Aralia pseudo-ginseng* Benth.: *Panax pseudoginseng* Wall. [441] *Pentapanax subcordatus* Seem.: *Aralia subcordata* (Wall. ex G. Don) J. Wen [442] *Pentapanax leschenaultii* Seem.: *Aralia leschenaultii* (DC.) J. Wen [443] *Pentapanax parasiticum* Seem.: *Aralia parasitica* (D. Don) J. Wen [444] *Panax fruticosum* L.: *Polyscias fruticosa* (L.) Harms [445] *Heptapleurum hypoleucum* Kurz.: *Schefflera hypoleuca* (Kurz) Harms [446] *Heptapleurum elatum* C.B. Clarke: *Schefflera elata* (Buch.-Ham.) Harms [447] *Heptapleurum glaucum* C.B. Clarke: *Schefflera kurzii* Frodin [448] *Heptapleurum khasianum* C.B. Clarke: *Schefflera khasiana* (C.B. Clarke) R. Vig. [449] *Heptapleurum venulosum* Seem.: *Schefflera venulosa* (Wight & Arn.) Harms [450] *Schefflera bengalensis* Gamble: *Schefflera pubigera* (Brongn. ex Planch.) Frodin [451] *Dendropanax japonicum* Seem.: *Dendropanax trifidus* (Thunb.) Makino ex Hara [452] *Dendropanax listeri* King: *Merriliopanax listeri* (King) H.L. Li. [453] *Acanthopanax aculeatum* Seem.: *Eleutherococcus trifoliatum* (L.) S.Y. Hu [454] *Brassaiopsis speciosa* Dcne. & Planch.: *Brassaiopsis glomerulata* var. *glomerulata* (Bl.) Regel. [455] *Brassaiopsis palmata* Kurz.: *Brassaiopsis hainla* (Buch.-Ham.) Seem. [456] *Tupidanthus calypratus* Hk.f. & Th.: *Schefflera pueckleri* (K. Koch) Frodin [457] *Fatsia papyrifera* (Hk.) K. Koch. **Cornaceae:** [458] *Alangium begoniaefolia* Roxb.: *Alangium chinense* (Lour.) Harms. [459] *Alangium barbata* R.Br.: *Alangium barbatum* (R.Br.) Baill. [460] *Alangium lamarkii* Thwaites.: *Alangium salvifolium* subsp. *salvifolium* (L.f.) Wangerin [461] *Nyssa sessiliflora* Hk.f.: *Nyssa javanica* (Bl.) Wangerin [462] *Helwingia lanceolata* Watt.: *Helwingia himalaica* Hk.f. Th. ex C.B. Clarke

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[463] *Desmodium rufihirsutum* Craib.: *Desmodium velutinum* subsp. *longibracteatum* (Schindl.) Ohashi [464] *Sorbus expansa* Koehne.: *Sorbus wilsoniana* C.K. Schneid [465] *Sorbus wenzigiana* Koehne.: *Sorbus ursina* var. *wenzigiana* Schneid [466] *Saxifraga sarmentosa* L.: *Saxifraga stolonifera* Curtis [467] *Sonerila tenera* Royle: *Sonerila erecta* Jack [468] *Uraria hispida* Schindl.: *Desmodium hispidum* Franch.

[469] *Puerraria yuannanensis* Franch. (But re-instated): *Puerraria peduncularis* (Benth.) Benth. [470] *Oxyspora serrata* Diels.: *Plagiopetalum esquirolii* (H.Lév.) Rehder.

In this compilation, updated account of name changes of total 470 plant species included in the concerned flora are listed with their current names. In the account, the names which are not confirmed or unresolved are excluded. It becomes apparent from this account that sometimes the same plant is mentioned by different old names while the new name removes this error. Sometimes there is change in only in the author citation. But, it must be admitted that the name change account presented here is not a conclusive one. Due to more & more modern taxonomic researches, many of the newly accepted names may also change from time to time. Evolutionary relationships amongst plants will continue to be the subject of scrutiny and reinterpretation. Plant names as we know them now, and the names we will use in the future, are the achievements of hard-working taxonomists. Feeble as the act may seem, taxonomists are working to make sense of the bewildering world of plant diversity. But these are done only to make nomenclature more manageable for everyone else. However, as mentioned in the introduction, there are total five volumes of the concerned flora, of which only first two are touched in this work and works on the next volumes are in progress.

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