

Short Communication

New records for Gujarat flora from Gandevi and Chikhali Taluka in Navsri District

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**T**hough the Flora of Gujarat has been compiled (Shah,1978, Raghavan, *et al.*, 1981) still there exist a number of localities to be intensively explored for updating the Flora. Chikhali and Gandevi talukas, district Navsari in South Gujarat is one of such localities from which four taxa are noted as new record for Gujarat Flora, and one as new distributional record. The identifications were confirmed at Botanical Survey of India, Western Circle, Pune and the specimens are deposited in B.K.M. Science College, Valsad. The species are recorded here, with a brief note on morphology and ecology.

Since this is the first record for the flora of Gujarat State a brief description supported by Photograph is given.

*Amorphophallus bulbifer* (Roxb.) Kunth. Enum. 3:34.1841 (Aroideae)

A perennial tuberous herb: tubers globose. Leaves: solitary, 3-sect, segments variously divided, elliptical-



Fig 1: *Amorphophallus bulbifer* (Roxb.) Kunth

lanceolate; bulbils dark brown; at the apex of the petiole; spotted. Spathe: pinkish; Spadix sessile. Flowers: unisexual.

*Status and Distribution in the Area:*

Rare, noted few plants in Mango orchards at Gage. Locally called as “Jangli suran”.



Fig 2: *Crotalaria pallida* Heyne



Fig 3: *Peristrophe montana* Nees in wall P1.