

7:473, 1838 (pro syn.). *Cephalostigma spathulatum* Thwaites, Enum. Pl. Zeyl. 422, 1864 (non *Campanula spathulata* Sibth. & Sm. 1806).

Type: Wallich 1289 (CAL-isotype).

Distribution: India, Burma and Afghanistan.

The widely accepted binomial *Campanula canescens* Wall. ex DC. (1838) for this plant is unfortunately a later homonym of *C. canescens* Roth (1827) which is *Phyteuma canescens* (Roth) Walds. & Kitaib, and should be rejected according to Art. 64 of the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature (1966). The next name *C. benthamii* Wall. is also invalid, as it is a *nomen nudum*. The specific name *spathulatum* from *Cephalostigma spathulatum* Thwaites, is not available either for the present plant, as the specific name has already been used previously for three different plants in the genus *Campanula* Linn. Since there is no other published epithet for this plant, the author proposes the above new name, *C. wallichii*, for this interesting plant. The author's basis for the rejection of *C. canescens* Roth is the information given in the index Kewensis 401, 1895.

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### 32 *GNETUM ULA* BRONGN. FROM RAYALASEEMA, ANDHRA PRADESH—A NEW RECORD

*Gnetum ula* Brongn. (*G. scandens* Brandis) was found growing abundantly, as a liana, reaching the tops of trees in the Savaralakuppaddadi forest of Chittoor District during February 1968. The Savaralakuppaddadi is a deciduous forest of Seshachalam hill range with patches of evergreen vegetation. Since *Gnetum ula* is recorded so far only from western and some parts of the eastern coast of India, its occurrence in Rayalaseema forms a new distribution for this interesting taxon.

The luxuriant growth of male and female plants with cones in different stages of development attracted attention from a distance at the time of collection. For a full description of this plant, see Bharadwaja (1957)

A number of male and female plants were collected and examined and it was found that this taxon is in conformity with that of *Gnetum ula* Brongn. of Bharadwaja (1957).



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