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A catalogue of Indian mosquitoes

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Abstract

An annotated catalogue for Indian mosquitoes has been prepared with a view to primarily enlist all the extant taxa, along with simplified field-friendly identification keys for the 4th instar larvae and adults of the major vector species of public health importance in India. This is by far the most complete and comprehensive inventory compiled post-independence in single volume of the entire mosquito faunal wealth in the country. The Catalogue offers many novelties; first, it has inventoried the largest ever number of 404 species and subspecies (which is >12% of the total number of taxa in the world, i.e., 3541), belonging to 50 genera and 2 subfamilies (12 tribes); secondly, it has organized all the taxa in a more modern and universally acceptable classificatory system proposed by Harbach [(2014). Mosquito taxonomic inventory, <http://mosquito-taxonomic-inventory.info/node/11667>; accessed 31st July, 2014)], with of course some consideration of the other popular systems earlier used by Christophers (1933) and Barraud (1934) in their respective *magnum opuses* 'Anophelini', and 'Culicini and Magarhirini' under CULICIDAE volumes of the internationally famous *The Fauna of British India* series; and thirdly, in order to facilitate field entomologists who urgently need a simple and practical identification keys for all the major vector species, a diagrammatic description aided with the most directly applicable dichotomous identification key is offered.

Keywords: Catalogue, mosquitoes, vectors, identification keys, India

1. Introduction

How many species of mosquitoes are there in India? And, why is it so compellingly important to enlist these tiny creatures popularly believed to be either as dangerous vectors of several deadly and/or debilitating diseases such as malaria, filariasis, dengue, chikungunya and Japanese encephalitis, just to name a few important ones, or serious pests of human being in all places and times. Mosquito is considered the deadliest foe of man in his successful survival since it is singularly the reason for transmitting so many fatal diseases responsible for retarding the national health and economy, besides stunting the intelligentia [1, 2]. Notwithstanding, the fact is that there are even less than 20% of the total species in the world which either 'vectorize' some disease pathogens to man and his associates or 'vex' their tranquillity in some way or the other, earning them a streak of sobriquets painting them as if they are the most dreaded and abhorable creatures on the earth! In fine, what is most important is the knowledge of our mosquito faunal wealth, irrespective of being harmful or innocuous, and in terms of the modern scientific requirements, the genomic information!

The first compilation of the world mosquitoes was attempted more than a century ago, but this catalogue enlisted very few species from the Indian subcontinent. An annotated catalogue for Indian mosquitoes has been prepared with a view to primarily enlist all the extant taxa, along with simplified field-friendly identification keys for the 4th instar larvae and adults of the major vector species of public health importance in India. This is by far the most complete and comprehensive inventory compiled post-independence in single volume of the entire mosquito faunal wealth in the country. The Catalogue offers many novelties; first, it has inventoried the largest ever number of species and subspecies (404/3541), which is >12% of all the world fauna, belonging to 50 genera and 2 subfamilies (12 tribes); secondly, it has organized all the taxa in a more modern and universally acceptable classificatory system proposed [4], with of course some consideration of the other popular systems earlier used in their respective *magnum opuses* 'Anophelini', and 'Culicini and Magarhirini' under Culicidae volumes of the internationally famous *The Fauna of British India* series; and thirdly, within the limited scope of the Catalogue an attempt has been made to remove certain 'dark points' in the taxonomy and systematics of the important vector species prevalent in India (Table 1).

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Table 1: Mosquitoes species recorded in world, India and CRME Museum (upto November 2014)

Subfamily	Tribes	World		India		CRME Museum	
		No. of Genera	No. of species	No. of Genera	No. of species	No. of Genera	No. of species
Anophelinae		3	481	1	63	1	45
Culicinae	Aedeomyiini	1	7	1	2	1	1
	Aedini	81	1253	34	175	24	92
	Culicini	4	796	2	85	2	56
	Culisetini	1	37	1	3	0	0
	Ficalbiini	2	53	2	8	2	5
	Hodgesiini	1	11	1	2	1	1
	Mansoniini	2	82	2	7	2	4
	Orthopodomyiini	1	36	1	5	1	4
	Sabethini	14	429	3	16	3	9
	Toxorhynchitini	1	89	1	9	1	7
Uranotaeniini	1	267	1	29	1	18	
2	11	112	3541	50	404	39	242

Up till now little systematic effort has been made to inventorize the Indian mosquitoes (Culicidae) post-independence. During pre-independence era some workers, mostly drawn from medicine background, have brought about a series of publications dealing with either anopheline or culicine mosquitoes [5, 6], culminating into their two unparalleled *magnum opuses* of mosquito taxonomy on Anophelini, and Culicini and Magarhirini (Toxorhynchitinae) under *The Fauna of British India* series. The latter, in spite of being largely outdated in modern context of classification and identification such as the redundancy to mention Dixinae and Chaoborinae as mosquitoes (*sic!* since both these groups are *not* mosquitoes at all), several instances of species synonymization, and lack of clarity on various dark points in the taxonomic identification or distribution of a large number of taxa, and finally, rather most importantly, their inadequacy to represent the India of today, still remain the most authentic reference works on Indian mosquitoes. However, as it stands now, post-independence India needs an updated, realistic and practical inventory of mosquito fauna [2, 7] which could meet the international standards of taxonomic knowledge on classification of taxa, on one hand, and provide a firsthand information on the natural wealth of these tiny creatures, the mosquitoes, many of which are deadly vectors as well as highly vexing pests [8]. Soon following the independence of India, a crop of highly energetic entomologists emerged and brought out significant check-lists of Indian mosquitoes. [9, 17] However, all this literature dealt exclusively with *Anopheles* mosquitoes possibly due to an unprecedented high significance tagged with malaria in the country! The attention to malaria control was so focused that only one new species, *Anopheles pseudosundaicus* [18], could be brought on record from India in more than eighty years; the last new species having been described was *An. pinjaurensis* [5].

Due to a fervent nationwide anti-malaria campaign between 1950 and 1980, hardly any attention was given to the non-anopheline mosquitoes, and the biomedical significance of culicine mosquitoes was almost completely overshadowed in terms of their taxonomic biodiversity, albeit many of the culicine mosquitoes playing key roles in transmitting several deadly and/or debilitating diseases such as lymphatic filariasis and Japanese encephalitis, apart from dengue and chikungunya diseases transmitted exclusively by *Aedes* mosquitoes in India. Yet, a few abridged attempts were made to comprehend distributional patterns of culicines on regional basis such as those in the Western Himalayas [19], Southern India including

Western Ghats and Eastern Ghats as well as Andaman & Nicobar Islands [15, 20-23], Northeastern states of seven sisters [24], the Thar Desert in western Rajasthan and the Great Runn of Kutchch in Gujarat [25], various districts of Punjab and Himachal Pradesh [26] and Malwa region of Punjab [27]. Certain international works did report Indian Culicines [28, 32], however these have but given a passing reference to the Indian fauna while describing *in extenso* the mosquitoes of the Oriental Region. Currently mosquito inventories are being updated on-line [4, 33], but both these services might overlook many a journal in India where mosquito taxonomic publications appear, hence incomplete inasmuch as Indian information on mosquito taxonomy is concerned. The rather pathetic state of Indian mosquito taxonomy can be gauged from the fact that less than a dozen new species only were described following the famous BFI volumes [18, 34, 43].

At present nobody knows how many mosquito species and subspecies exist in India since there is no authoritative compilation of information on the subject. The few national museums/repositories in the country (e.g., National Centres for Diseases Control, Delhi; National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme, Delhi; Indian Museum, Kolkata) house vouched specimens of many kinds, but in most of these the 'designated type specimens' (i.e., holotype, allotype, paratype etc.) are either now non-existent or are in a highly dilapidated state and of no avail to a student of mosquito taxonomy. The museums maintained in Centre for Research in Medical Entomology, Madurai, Vector Control Research Centre, Puducherry, National Institute of Malaria Research, Delhi, Regional Medical Research Centre, Dibrugarh, and National Institute of Virology, Pune are extensive and well documented, but these too are yet to be integrated and made comprehensible with identification keys for all the taxa for the country in one volume [44-47]. This is indeed a serious state of our efforts to conserve genomic information of our indigenous faunal wealth. Therefore, the main purpose of the Catalogue is to offer an authentic check- list of all the extant taxa of mosquitoes in India as a first step towards conserving knowledge on the genome-resources and, secondly, to provide a culicidologist interested in diverse mosquito taxonomy an annotated catalogue to facilitate comprehension about the intricate organization of various species, with an extensive bibliography. Another aspect is to consider this catalogue as a launching pad for preparing a "Type data based inventory" so that dependence on overseas international museums could be minimised, if not completely set free!!

2. CATALOGUE OF INDIAN MOSQUITOES

Order: Insecta Family: Culicidae

Subfamily: Anophelinae Tribe Anophelini

I. Genus **Anopheles** Meigen, 1818

(i) Subgenus *Anopheles* Meigen, 1818

1. *Anopheles (Anopheles) ahomi* Chowdhury, 1929
2. *Anopheles (Anopheles) aitkenii* James, 1903
3. *Anopheles (Anopheles) annandalei* Prashad, 1918
4. *Anopheles (Anopheles) argyropus* (Swellengrebel, 1914)
5. *Anopheles (Anopheles) baileyi* Edwards, 1929
6. *Anopheles (Anopheles) barbirostris* van der Wulp, 1884
7. *Anopheles (Anopheles) barbumbrosus* Strickland & Chowdhury, 1927
8. *Anopheles (Anopheles) barianensis* James, 1911
9. *Anopheles (Anopheles) bengalensis* Puri, 1930
10. *Anopheles (Anopheles) crawfordi* Reid, 1953
11. *Anopheles (Anopheles) culiciformis* Cogill, 1903
12. *Anopheles (Anopheles) gigas* Giles, 1901
13. *Anopheles (Anopheles) hodgkini* Reid, 1962
14. *Anopheles (Anopheles) insulaeflorum* (Swellengrebel & Swellengrebel de Graaf, 1920)
15. *Anopheles (Anopheles) interruptus* Puri, 1929
16. *Anopheles (Anopheles) lesteri paraliae* Sandosham, 1959
17. *Anopheles (Anopheles) lindesayi* Giles, 1900
18. *Anopheles (Anopheles) nigerrimus* Giles, 1900
19. *Anopheles (Anopheles) nilgircus* Christophers, 1924
20. *Anopheles (Anopheles) nitidus* Harrison, Scanlon & Reid, 1973
21. *Anopheles (Anopheles) peditaeniatus* (Leicester, 1908)
22. *Anopheles (Anopheles) pinjaurensis* Barraud, 1932
23. *Anopheles (Anopheles) roperi* Reid, 1950
24. *Anopheles (Anopheles) sinensis* Wiedemann, 1828
25. *Anopheles (Anopheles) sintoni* Puri, 1929
26. *Anopheles (Anopheles) umbrosus* (Theobald, 1903)

(ii) Subgenus *Cellia* Theobald, 1902

27. *Anopheles (Cellia) aconitus* Donitz, 1902
28. *Anopheles (Cellia) annularis* van der Wulp, 1884
29. *Anopheles (Cellia) baimaii* Sallum & Peyton, 2005
30. *Anopheles (Cellia) balabacensis* Baisas, 1936
31. *Anopheles (Cellia) culicifacies* Giles, 1901
32. *Anopheles (Cellia) dravidicus* Christophers, 1924
33. *Anopheles (Cellia) d'thali* Patton, 1905
34. *Anopheles (Cellia) elegans* (James, 1903)
35. *Anopheles (Cellia) fluviatilis* James, 1902
36. *Anopheles (Cellia) jamesii* Theobald, 1901
37. *Anopheles (Cellia) jeyporiensis* James, 1902
38. *Anopheles (Cellia) karwari* (James, 1903)
39. *Anopheles (Cellia) kochi* Donitz, 1901
40. *Anopheles (Cellia) maculatus* Theobald, 1901
41. *Anopheles (Cellia) majidi* Young & Majid, 1928
42. *Anopheles (Cellia) minimus* Theobald, 1901
43. *Anopheles (Cellia) mirans* Sallum & Peyton, 2005
44. *Anopheles (Cellia) moghulensis* Christophers, 1924
45. *Anopheles (Cellia) multicolor* Cambouliu, 1902
46. *Anopheles (Cellia) nivipes* (Theobald, 1903)
47. *Anopheles (Cellia) pallidus* Theobald, 1901
48. *Anopheles (Cellia) philippinensis* Ludlow, 1902
49. *Anopheles (Cellia) pseudojamesi* Strickland & Chowdhury, 1927
50. *Anopheles (Cellia) pseudosundaicus* Tyagi et al., 2009
51. *Anopheles (Cellia) pseudowillmori* (Theobald, 1910)
52. *Anopheles (Cellia) pulcherrimus* Theobald, 1902
53. *Anopheles (Cellia) sergentii* (Theobald, 1907)
54. *Anopheles (Cellia) splendidus* Koidzumi, 1920

55. *Anopheles (Cellia) stephensi* Liston, 1901
56. *Anopheles (Cellia) subpictus* Grassi, 1899
57. *Anopheles (Cellia) sundaicus* (Rodenwaldt, 1925)
58. *Anopheles (Cellia) tessellatus* Theobald, 1901
59. *Anopheles (Cellia) theobaldi* Giles, 1901
60. *Anopheles (Cellia) turkhudi* Liston, 1901
61. *Anopheles (Cellia) vagus* Donitz, 1902
62. *Anopheles (Cellia) varuna* Iyengar, 1924
63. *Anopheles (Cellia) willmori* (James, 1903)

Subfamily: Culicinae

Tribe: Aedeomyiini Theobald, 1901

I. Genus **Aedeomyia** Theobald, 1901

(i) Subgenus *Aedeomyia* Theobald, 1901

64. *Aedeomyia (Aedeomyia) catasticta* Knab, 1909
65. *Aedeomyia (Aedeomyia) venustipes* (Skuse, 1889)

Tribe: Aedini Neveu-Lemaire, 1902

I. Genus **Aedimorphus** Theobald, 1903

66. *Aedimorphus alboscuteclatus* (Theobald, 1905)
67. *Aedimorphus caecus* (Theobald, 1901)
68. *Aedimorphus culicinus* (Edwards, 1922)
69. *Aedimorphus jamesi* (Edwards, 1914)
70. *Aedimorphus lowisii* (Theobald, 1910)
71. *Aedimorphus mediolineatus* (Theobald, 1901)
72. *Aedimorphus nigrostriatus* Barraud, 1927
73. *Aedimorphus pallidostriatus* (Theobald, 1907)
74. *Aedimorphus pampangensis* (Ludlow, 1905)
75. *Aedimorphus piperisatus* (Giles, 1902)
76. *Aedimorphus punctifemoris* (Ludlow, 1921)
77. *Aedimorphus stenoetrus* (Theobald, 1907)
78. *Aedimorphus syntheticus* (Barraud, 1928)
79. *Aedimorphus taeniorhynchoides* (Christophers, 1911)
80. *Aedimorphus trimaculatus* (Theobald, 1905)
81. *Aedimorphus vexans* (Meigen, 1830)

II. Genus **Armigeres** Theobald, 1901

(i) Subgenus *Armigeres* Theobald, 1901

82. *Armigeres (Armigeres) aureolineatus* (Leicester, 1908)
83. *Armigeres (Armigeres) durhami* (Edwards, 1917)
84. *Armigeres (Armigeres) joloensis* (Ludlow, 1904)
85. *Armigeres (Armigeres) kesseli* Ramalingam, 1987
86. *Armigeres (Armigeres) kuchingensis* Edwards, 1915
87. *Armigeres (Armigeres) mahantai* Bhattacharyya et al., 2009
88. *Armigeres (Armigeres) pallithorax* Dong, Zhou & Dong, 2004
89. *Armigeres (Armigeres) subalbatus* (Coquillett, 1898)
90. *Armigeres (Armigeres) theobaldi* Barraud, 1934

(ii) Subgenus *Leicesteria* Theobald, 1904

91. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) annulipalpis* (Theobald, 1910)
92. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) annulitarsis* (Leicester, 1908)
93. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) dentatus* Barraud, 1927
94. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) digitatus* (Edwards, 1914)
95. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) dolichocephalus* (Leicester, 1908)
96. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) flavus* (Leicester, 1908)
97. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) inchoatus* Barraud, 1927
98. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) longipalpis* (Leicester, 1904)
99. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) magnus* (Theobald, 1908)
100. *Armigeres (Leicesteria) omisus* (Edwards, 1914)

III. Genus **Ayurakitia** Thurman, 1954

101. *Ayurakitia peytoni* (Reinert, 1972)

IV. Genus **Bruceharrisonius** Reinert, 2003

102. *Bruceharrisonius aureostriatus* (Doleschall, 1857)
 103. *Bruceharrisonius christophersi* (Edwards, 1922)
 104. *Bruceharrisonius doonii* (Wattal, Bhatia & Kalra, 1958)
 105. *Bruceharrisonius greenii* (Theobald, 1903)

V. Genus **Cancraedes** Edwards, 1929

106. *Cancraedes cancricomis* (Edwards, 1922)
 107. *Cancraedes simplex* (Theobald, 1903)

VI. Genus **Christophersiomyia** Barraud, 1923

108. *Christophersiomyia annulirostris* (Theobald, 1905)
 109. *Christophersiomyia gombakensis* (Mattingly, 1959)
 110. *Christophersiomyia ibis* (Barraud, 1931)
 111. *Christophersiomyia thomsoni* (Theobald, 1905)

VII. Genus **Collessius** Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2006

- (i) Subgenus *Alloeomyia* Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2008
 112. *Collessius (Alloeomyia) pseudotaeniatus* (Giles, 1901)
 (ii) Subgenus *Collessius* Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2006
 113. *Collessius (Collessius) elsiae* (Barraud, 1923)
 114. *Collessius (Collessius) macdougalli* (Edwards, 1922)
 115. *Collessius (Collessius) shortti* (Barraud, 1923)

VIII. Genus **Danielsia** Theobald, 1904

116. *Danielsia albotaeniata* Leicester, 1904
 117. *Danielsia lepchana* (Barraud, 1923)

IX. Genus **Dendroskusea** Edwards, 1929

118. *Dendroskusea kanarensis* (Edwards, 1934)
 119. *Dendroskusea micropterus* (Giles, 1901)
 120. *Dendroskusea periskelata* (Giles, 1902)
 121. *Dendroskusea ramachandrai* (Reuben, 1967)
 122. *Dendroskusea reginae* (Edwards, 1922)

X. Genus **Downsiomyia** Vargas, 1950

123. *Downsiomyia albilateralis* (Theobald, 1908)
 124. *Downsiomyia albonivea* (Barraud, 1934)
 125. *Downsiomyia mohani* (Knight, 1969)
 126. *Downsiomyia nivea* (Ludlow, 1903)
 127. *Downsiomyia niveoides* (Barraud, 1934)
 128. *Downsiomyia novonivea* (Barraud, 1934)

XI. Genus **Edwardsaedes** Belkin, 1962

129. *Edwardsaedes imprimens* (Walkar, 1860)

XII. Genus **Finlaya** Theobald, 1903

130. *Finlaya flavipennis* Giles, 1904
 131. *Finlaya poicilia* Theobald, 1903

XIII. Genus **Fredwardsius** Reinert, 2000

132. *Fredwardsius vittatus* (Bigot, 1861)

XIV. Genus **Gilesius** Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2006

133. *Gilesius pulchriventer* (Giles, 1901)

XV. Genus **Heizmannia** Ludlow, 1905

- (i) Subgenus *Heizmannia* Ludlow, 1905
 134. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) aureochaeta* (Leicester, 1908)
 135. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) chandi* Edwards, 1922
 136. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) chengi* Lien, 1968
 137. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) complex* (Theobald, 1910)
 138. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) covelli* Barraud, 1929
 139. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) funerea* (Leicester, 1908)
 140. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) greenii* (Theobald, 1905)

141. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) himalayensis* Edwards, 1922

142. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) indica* (Theobald, 1905)

143. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) metallica* Leicester, 1908

144. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) reidi* Mattingly, 1957

145. *Heizmannia (Heizmannia) viridis* Barraud, 1929

(ii) Subgenus *Mattinglyia* Lien, 1968

146. *Heizmannia (Mattinglyia) discrepans* (Edwards, 1922)

147. *Heizmannia (Mattinglyia) tripunctata* (Theobald, 1908)

XVI. Genus **Himalaius** Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2006

148. *Himalaius gilli* (Barraud, 1924)

149. *Himalaius simlensis* (Edwards, 1922)

XVII. Genus **Hopkinsius** Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2008

- (i) Subgenus *Yamada* Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2008

150. *Hopkinsius (Yamada) albocinctus* (Barraud, 1924)

XVIII. Genus **Hulecoeteomyia** Theobald, 1904

151. *Hulecoeteomyia chrysolineata* (Theobald, 1907)

152. *Hulecoeteomyia formosensis* (Yamada, 1921)

153. *Hulecoeteomyia harveyi* (Barraud, 1923)

154. *Hulecoeteomyia pallirostris* (Edwards, 1922)

155. *Hulecoeteomyia saxicola* (Edwards, 1922)

XIX. Genus **Indusius** Edwards, 1934

156. *Indusius pulverulentus* (Edwards, 1922)

XX. Genus **Jihlienius** Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2006

157. *Jihlienius uncinatus* (Edwards, 1922)

XXI. Genus **Kenknightia** Reinert, 1990

158. *Kenknightia adissimilis* (Leicester, 1908)

159. *Kenknightia karwari* (Barraud, 1924)

XXII. Genus **Lorrainea** Belkin, 1962

160. *Lorrainea amesii* (Ludlow, 1903)

161. *Lorrainea fumida* (Edwards, 1928)

XXIII. Genus **Mucidus** Theobald, 1901

- (i) Subgenus *Mucidus* Theobald, 1901

162. *Mucidus (Mucidus) laniger* (Wiedemann, 1820)

163. *Mucidus (Mucidus) quasiferinus* (Mattingly, 1961)

164. *Mucidus (Mucidus) scatophagoides* Theobald, 1901

XXIV. Genus **Neomelaniconion** Newstead, 1907

165. *Neomelaniconion lineatopenne* (Ludlow, 1905)

XXV. Genus **Ochlerotatus** Lynch Arribalzaga, 1891 *Sensu*

- (i) Subgenus *Finlaya* Theobald, 1903 *Sensu auctorum*

166. *Ochlerotatus (Finlaya) auronitens* (Edwards, 1922)

167. *Ochlerotatus (Finlaya) oreophilus* Edwards, 1916

168. *Ochlerotatus (Finlaya) sintoni* (Barraud, 1924)

169. *Ochlerotatus (Finlaya) suffusus* (Edwards, 1922)

170. *Ochlerotatus (Finlaya) versicolor* (Barraud, 1924)

171. *Ochlerotatus pulcritarsis* (Rondani, 1872)

172. *Ochlerotatus pullatus* (Coquillett, 1904)

XXVI. Genus **Paraedes** Edwards, 1934

173. *Paraedes barraudi* Edwards, 1934

174. *Paraedes chrysoseuta* (Theobald, 1910)

175. *Paraedes menoni* (Mattingly, 1958)

176. *Paraedes ostentatio* (Leicester, 1908)

XXVII. Genus **Petermattinglyius** Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2009

(i) Subgenus Petermattinglyius Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2009

177. *Petermattinglyius* (*Petermattinglyius*) *franciscoi* (Mattingly, 1959)
 178. *Petermattinglyius* (*Petermattinglyius*) *iyengari* (Edwards, 1923)

XXVIII. Genus **Phagomyia** Theobald, 1905

179. *Phagomyia assamensis* (Theobald, 1908)
 180. *Phagomyia cacharana* (Barraud, 1923)
 181. *Phagomyia cogilli* (Edwards, 1922)
 182. *Phagomyia deccana* (Barraud, 1923)
 183. *Phagomyia feegradei* (Barraud, 1934)
 184. *Phagomyia gubernatoris* (Giles, 1901)
 185. *Phagomyia inquinata* (Edwards, 1922)
 186. *Phagomyia khazani* (Edwards, 1922)
 187. *Phagomyia lophoventralis* (Theobald, 1910)
 188. *Phagomyia prominens* (Barraud, 1923)
 189. *Phagomyia stevensoni* (Barraud, 1923)

XXIX. Genus **Rhinoskusea** Edwards, 1929

190. *Rhinoskusea longirostris* (Leicester, 1908)
 191. *Rhinoskusea portonovoensis* (Tewari & Hiriyani, 1992)
 192. *Rhinoskusea wardi* (Reinert, 1976)

XXX. Genus **SCUTOMYIA** Theobald, 1904

193. *Scutomyia albolineata* Theobald, 1904

XXXI. Genus **Stegomyia** Theobald, 1901

(i) Subgenus Actinothrix Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2009

194. *Stegomyia* (*Actinothrix*) *edwardsi* Barraud, 1923
 195. *Stegomyia* (*Actinothrix*) *seampi* (Huang, 1974)

(ii) Subgenus Heteraspidion Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2009

196. *Stegomyia* (*Heteraspidion*) *annandalei* Theobald, 1910
 197. *Stegomyia* (*Heteraspidion*) *craggi* Barraud, 1923

(iii) Subgenus Huangmyia Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2009

198. *Stegomyia* (*Huangmyia*) *mediopunctata* Theobald, 1905
 199. *Stegomyia* (*Huangmyia*) *perplexa* Leicester, 1908

(iv) Subgenus Stegomyia Theobald, 1901

200. *Stegomyia* (*Stegomyia*) *aegypti* (Linnaeus, 1762)

(v) Subgenus Xyele Reinert, Harbach & Kitching, 2009

201. *Stegomyia* (*Xyele*) *desmotes* Giles, 1904
 [Subgenus unassigned yet for following]
 202. *Stegomyia albopicta* (Skuse, 1895)
 203. *Stegomyia flavopicta* (Yamada, 1921)
 204. *Stegomyia gardnerii imitator* (Leicester, 1908)
 205. *Stegomyia krombeini* (Huang, 1975)
 206. *Stegomyia malayensis* (Colless, 1962)
 207. *Stegomyia novalbopicta* (Barraud, 1931)
 208. *Stegomyia patriciae* (Mattingly, 1954)
 209. *Stegomyia pseudalbopicta* Borel, 1928
 210. *Stegomyia scutellaris* (Walker, 1859)
 211. *Stegomyia subalbopicta* (Barraud, 1931)
 212. *Stegomyia unilineata* (Theobald, 1906)
 213. *Stegomyia w-alba* Theobald, 1905

XXXII. Genus **Tewarius** Reinert, 2006

214. *Tewarius agastyai* (Tewari & Hiriyani, 1992)

215. *Tewarius nummatus* (Edwards, 1923)

216. *Tewarius reubenae* (Tewari & Hiriyani, 1992)

XXXIII. Genus **Udaya** Thurman, 1954

217. *Udaya argyrurus* (Edwards, 1934)
 218. *Udaya subsimilis* (Barraud, 1927)

XXXIV. Genus **Verrallina** Theobald, 1903

(i) Subgenus Harbachius Reinert, 1999

219. *Verrallina* (*Harbachius*) *abdita* (Barraud, 1931)
 220. *Verrallina* (*Harbachius*) *consonensis* (Reinert, 1973)
 221. *Verrallina* (*Harbachius*) *uniformis* (Theobald, 1910)
 222. *Verrallina* (*Harbachius*) *yusafi* (Barraud, 1931)

(ii) Subgenus Neomacleaya Theobald, 1907

223. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *agrestis* (Barraud, 1931)
 224. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *andamanensis* (Edwards, 1922)
 225. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *assamensis* Bhattacharyya *et al.*, 2004
 226. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *atria* (Barraud, 1928)
 227. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *cauta* (Barraud, 1928)
 228. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *clavata* (Barraud, 1931)
 229. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *comata* (Barraud, 1931)
 230. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *hirsutipleura* Barraud, 1928
 231. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *indica* (Theobald, 1907)
 232. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *pseudodiurna* (Theobald, 1910)
 233. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *pseudomediofasciata* (Theobald, 1910)
 234. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *rami* (Barraud, 1928)
 235. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *seculata* (Menon, 1950)
 236. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *vallistris* (Barraud, 1928)
 237. *Verrallina* (*Neomacleaya*) *unca* (Theobald, 1901)

(iii) Subgenus Verrallina Theobald, 1903

238. *Verrallina* (*Verrallina*) *butleri* (Theobald, 1901)
 239. *Verrallina* (*Verrallina*) *dux* (Dyar & Shannon, 1925)
 240. *Verrallina* (*Verrallina*) *lugubris* (Barraud, 1928)

Tribe: Culicini Meigen, 1818

I. Genus **Culex** Linnaeus, 1758

(i) Subgenus Barraudius Edwards, 1921

241. *Culex* (*Barraudius*) *modestus* Ficalbi, 1890

(ii) Subgenus Culex Linnaeus, 1758

242. *Culex* (*Culex*) *alienus* Colless, 1957
 243. *Culex* (*Culex*) *annulus* Theobald, 1901
 244. *Culex* (*Culex*) *barraudi* Edwards, 1922
 245. *Culex* (*Culex*) *edwardsi* Barraud, 1923
 246. *Culex* (*Culex*) *fuscifurcatus* Edwards, 1937
 247. *Culex* (*Culex*) *fuscocephala* Theobald, 1907
 248. *Culex* (*Culex*) *gelidus* Theobald, 1901
 249. *Culex* (*Culex*) *hutchinsoni* Barraud, 1924
 250. *Culex* (*Culex*) *jacksoni* Edwards, 1934
 251. *Culex* (*Culex*) *mimeticus* Noe, 1899
 252. *Culex* (*Culex*) *mimuloides* Barraud, 1924
 253. *Culex* (*Culex*) *mimulus* Edwards, 1915
 254. *Culex* (*Culex*) *murrelli* Lien, 1968
 255. *Culex* (*Culex*) *nilgiricus* Edwards, 1916
 256. *Culex* (*Culex*) *perexiguus* Theobald, 1903
 257. *Culex* (*Culex*) *perplexus* Leicester, 1908
 258. *Culex* (*Culex*) *pseudovishnui* Colless, 1957
 259. *Culex* (*Culex*) *quinquefasciatus* Say, 1823
 260. *Culex* (*Culex*) *sitiens* Wiedemann, 1828
 261. *Culex* (*Culex*) *theileri* Theobald, 1903

262. *Culex (Culex) tritaeniorhynchus* Giles, 1901
 263. *Culex (Culex) univittatus* Theobald, 1901
 264. *Culex (Culex) vagans* Wiedemann, 1828
 265. *Culex (Culex) vishnui* Theobald, 1901
 266. *Culex (Culex) whitei* Barraud, 1923
 267. *Culex (Culex) whitmorei* (Giles, 1904)
- (iii) Subgenus *Culiciomyia* Theobald, 1907
 268. *Culex (Culiciomyia) bailyi* Barraud, 1934
 269. *Culex (Culiciomyia) fragilis* Ludlow, 1903
 270. *Culex (Culiciomyia) harrisoni* Sirivanakarn, 1977
 271. *Culex (Culiciomyia) nigropunctatus* Edwards, 1926
 272. *Culex (Culiciomyia) pallidothorax* Theobald, 1905
 273. *Culex (Culiciomyia) ramakrishnii* Wattal & Kalra, 1965
 274. *Culex (Culiciomyia) scanloni* Bram, 1967
 275. *Culex (Culiciomyia) shebbearei* Barraud, 1924
 276. *Culex (Culiciomyia) spathifurca* (Edwards, 1915)
 277. *Culex (Culiciomyia) viridiventer* Giles, 1901
- (iv) Subgenus *Eumelanomyia* Theobald, 1909
 278. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) brevipalpis* (Giles, 1902)
 279. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) castrensis* Edwards, 1922
 280. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) foliatus* Brug, 1932
 281. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) hinglungensis* Chu, 1957
 282. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) iphis* Barraud, 1924
 283. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) khazani* Edwards, 1922
 284. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) malayi* (Leicester, 1908)
 285. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) mohani* Sirivanakarn, 1977
 286. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) pluviialis* Barraud, 1924
 287. *Culex (Eumelanomyia) tenuipalpis* Barraud, 1924
- (v) Subgenus *Lophoceraomyia* Theobald, 1905
 288. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) aculeatus* Colless, 1965
 289. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) bengalensis* Barraud, 1934
 290. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) bicornutus* (Theobald, 1910)
 291. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) cinctellus* Edwards, 1922
 292. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) cubitatus* Colless, 1965
 293. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) demissus* Colless, 1965
 294. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) flavicornis* Barraud, 1924
 295. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) gracicornis* Sirivanakarn, 1977
 296. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) inculus* Colless, 1965
 297. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) infantulus* Edwards, 1922
 298. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) lasiopalpis* Sirivanakarn, 1977
 299. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) macdonaldi* Colless, 1965
 300. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) mammilifer* (Leicester, 1908)
 301. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) minor* (Leicester, 1908)
 302. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) minutissimus* (Theobald, 1907)
 303. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) paraculeatus* Sirivanakarn, 1977
 304. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) peytoni* Bram & Rattanarithikul, 1967
 305. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) pholeter* Bram & Rattanarithikul, 1967
 306. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) pilifemoralis* Wang & Feng, 1964
 307. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) quadripalpis* (Edwards, 1914)
 308. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) raghavanii* Rahman, Chowdhury & Kalra, 1968
 309. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) rubithoracis* (Leicester, 1908)
 310. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) seniori* Barraud, 1934
 311. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) singhbhumensis* Natarajan & Rajavel, 2009
 312. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) uniformis* (Theobald, 1905)
 313. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) variatus* (Leicester, 1908)
 314. *Culex (Lophoceraomyia) wilfredi* Colless, 1965
- (vi) Subgenus *Maillotia* Theobald, 1907
 315. *Culex (Maillotia) hortensis* Ficalbi, 1889
- (vii) Subgenus *Oculeomyia* Theobald, 1907
 316. *Culex (Oculeomyia) bitaeniorhynchus* Giles, 1901
 317. *Culex (Oculeomyia) cornutus* Edwards, 1922
 318. *Culex (Oculeomyia) epidesmus* (Theobald, 1910)
 319. *Culex (Oculeomyia) infula* Theobald, 1901
 320. *Culex (Oculeomyia) luzonensis* Sirivanakarn, 1976
 321. *Culex (Oculeomyia) sinensis* Theobald, 1903
- II. Genus **Lutzia** Theobald, 1903
 (i) Subgenus *Metalutzia* Tanaka, 2003
 322. *Lutzia (Metalutzia) agranensis* Singh & Prakash, 2008
 323. *Lutzia (Metalutzia) fuscana* (Wiedemann, 1820)
 324. *Lutzia (Metalutzia) halifaxii* (Theobald, 1903)
 325. *Lutzia (Metalutzia) vorax* Edwards, 1921
- Tribe: *Culisetini* Belkin, 1962
 I. Genus **Culiseta** Felt, 1904
 (i) Subgenus *Allotheobaldia* Broelemann, 1919
 326. *Culiseta (Allotheobaldia) longiareolata* (Macquart, 1838)
 (ii) Subgenus *Culiseta* Felt, 1904
 327. *Culiseta (Culiseta) alaskaensisindica* (Edwards, 1920)
 328. *Culiseta (Culiseta) niveitaeniata* (Theobald, 1907)
- Tribe: *Ficalbiini* Belkin, 1962
 I. Genus **Ficalbia** Theobald, 1903
 329. *Ficalbia minima* (Theobald, 1901)
- II. Genus **Mimomyia** Theobald, 1903
 (i) Subgenus *Etorleptiomyia* Theobald, 1904
 330. *Mimomyia (Etorleptiomyia) luzonensis* (Ludlow, 1905)
- (ii) Subgenus *Ingramia* Edwards, 1912
 331. *Mimomyia (Ingramia) fusca* (Leicester, 1908)
- (iii) Subgenus *Mimomyia* Theobald, 1903
 332. *Mimomyia (Mimomyia) aurea* (Leicester, 1908)
 333. *Mimomyia (Mimomyia) chamberlaini* Ludlow, 1904
 334. *M. ssp. clavipalpus* (Theobald, 1908)
 335. *Mimomyia (Mimomyia) hybrida* (Leicester, 1908)
 336. *Mimomyia (Mimomyia) intermedia* (Barraud, 1929)
- Tribe: *Hodgesiini* Belkin, 1962
 I. Genus **Hodgesia** Theobald, 1904
 337. *Hodgesia bailyi* Barraud, 1929
 338. *Hodgesia malayi* Leicester, 1908
- Tribe: *Mansoniini* Belkin, 1962
 I. Genus **Coquillettidia** Dyar, 1905
 (i) Subgenus *Coquillettidia* Dyar, 1905
 339. *Coquillettidia (Coquillettidia) crassipes* (van der Wulp, 1881)
 340. *Coquillettidia (Coquillettidia) novochracea* (Barraud, 1927)
 341. *Coquillettidia (Coquillettidia) ochracea* (Theobald, 1903)
- II. Genus **Mansonia** Blanchard, 1901
 (i) Subgenus *Mansonioides* Theobald, 1907
 342. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) annulifera* (Theobald, 1901)
 343. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) dives* (Schiner, 1868)
 344. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) indiana* Edwards, 1930
 345. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) uniformis* (Theobald, 1901)

Tribe: *Orthopodomyia* Belkin, Heinemann & Page, 1970

I. Genus *Orthopodomyia* Theobald, 1904

- 346. *Orthopodomyia albipes* Leicester, 1904
- 347. *Orthopodomyia andamanensis* Barraud, 1934
- 348. *Orthopodomyia anopheloides* (Giles, 1903)
- 349. *Orthopodomyia flavicosta* Barraud, 1927
- 350. *Orthopodomyia flavithorax* Barraud, 1927

Tribe: Sabethini Blanchard, 1905

I. Genus **Malaya** Leicester, 1908

- 351. *Malaya genurostris* Leicester, 1908
- 352. *Malaya jacobsoni* (Edwards, 1930)

II. Genus **Topomyia** Leicester, 1908

(i) Subgenus *Suaymyia* Thurman, 1959

- 353. *Topomyia (Suaymyia) cristata* Thurman, 1959

(ii) Subgenus *Topomyia* Leicester, 1908

- 354. *Topomyia (Topomyia) aureoventer* (Theobald, 1910)
- 355. *Topomyia (Topomyia) bifurcata* Dong, Wang & Lu, 1995
- 356. *Topomyia (Topomyia) hirtusa* Gong, 1989

III. Genus **Tripteroides** Giles, 1904

(i) Subgenus *Rachionotomyia* Theobald, 1905

- 357. *Tripteroides (Rachionotomyia) affinis* (Edwards, 1913)
- 358. *Tripteroides (Rachionotomyia) aranoioides* (Theobald, 1901)
- 359. *Tripteroides (Rachionotomyia) ceylonensis* (Theobald 1905)
- 360. *Tripteroides (Rachionotomyia) coonorensis* Mattingly, 1981
- 361. *Tripteroides (Rachionotomyia) edwardsi* (Barraud, 1929)
- 362. *Tripteroides (Rachionotomyia) serratus* (Barraud, 1929)

(ii) Subgenus *Tripteroides* Giles, 1904

- 363. *Tripteroides (Tripteroides) indicus* (Barraud, 1929)
- 364. *Tripteroides (Tripteroides) powelli* (Ludlow, 1909)
- 365. *Tripteroides (Tripteroides) similis* (Leicester, 1908)
- 366. *Tripteroides (Tripteroides) tarsalis* Delfinado & Hodges, 1968

Tribe: *Toxorhynchitini* Lahille, 1904

I. Genus **Toxorhynchites** Theobald, 1901

(i) Subgenus *Toxorhynchites* Theobald, 1901

- 367. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) albipes* (Edwards, 1922)
- 368. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) edwardsi* (Barraud, 1924)
- 369. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) gravely* (Edwards, 1921)
- 370. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) kemp* (Edwards, 1921)
- 371. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) klossi* (Edwards, 1921)

372. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) metallicus* Leicester 1904

373. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) minimus* (Theobald, 1905)

374. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) splendens* (Wiedemann, 1819)

375. *Toxorhynchites (Toxorhynchites) tyagii* Krishnamoorthy *et al.*, 2013

Tribe: *Uranotaeniini* Lahille, 1904

I. Genus **Uranotaenia** Lynch Arribalzaga, 1891

(i) Subgenus *Pseudoficalbia* Theobald, 1912

- 376. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) atra* Theobald, 1905
- 377. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) bicolor* Leicester, 1908
- 378. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) bimaculata* Leicester, 1908
- 379. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) dibrugarhensis* Bhattacharyya *et al.*, 2004
- 380. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) husaini* Qutubuddin, 1947
- 381. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) luteola* Edwards, 1934
- 382. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) lutescens* Leicester, 1908
- 383. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) maculipleura* Leicester, 1908
- 384. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) mattinglyi* Qutubuddin, 1951
- 385. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) maxima* Leicester, 1908
- 386. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) nivipleura* Leicester, 1908
- 387. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) novobscura* Barraud, 1934
- 388. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) obscura* Edwards, 1915
- 389. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) ohamai* Tanaka, Mizusawa & Saugstad, 1975
- 390. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) recondita* Edwards, 1922
- 391. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) stricklandi* Barraud, 1926
- 392. *Uranotaenia (Pseudoficalbia) unguiculata* Edwards, 1913

(ii) Subgenus *Uranotaenia* Lynch Arribalzaga, 1891

- 393. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) alboannulata* (Theobald, 1905)
- 394. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) annandalei* Barraud, 1926
- 395. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) campestris* Leicester, 1908
- 396. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) christophersi* Barraud, 1926
- 397. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) edwardsi* Barraud, 1926
- 398. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) hebes* Barraud, 1931
- 399. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) lateralis* Ludlow, 1905
- 400. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) longirostris* Leicester, 1908
- 401. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) macfarlanei* Edwards, 1914
- 402. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) micans* Leicester, 1908
- 403. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) orientalis* Barraud, 1926
- 404. *Uranotaenia (Uranotaenia) testacea* Theobald, 1905

3. IDENTIFICATION KEYS TO THE FOURTH INSTAR LARVAE OF MAJOR VECTORS OF PUBLIC HEALTH IMPORTANCE IN INDIA

3.1 Larval Characters Used In Identification

Head: Inner, outer and posterior clypeal hairs: They may be placed close together or with their bases widely separated; these hairs may be simple, very finely frayed, or may bear conspicuous lateral branches.

Head setae 4-C, 5-C, 6-C, and 7-C: simple, multiple branches, distance between each hairs; hypostomal sutures well developed, incomplete or absent numbers of lateral teeth on mentum.

Antenna: Size of antenna; setae 2, 3-A as long as or longer than the proximal part.

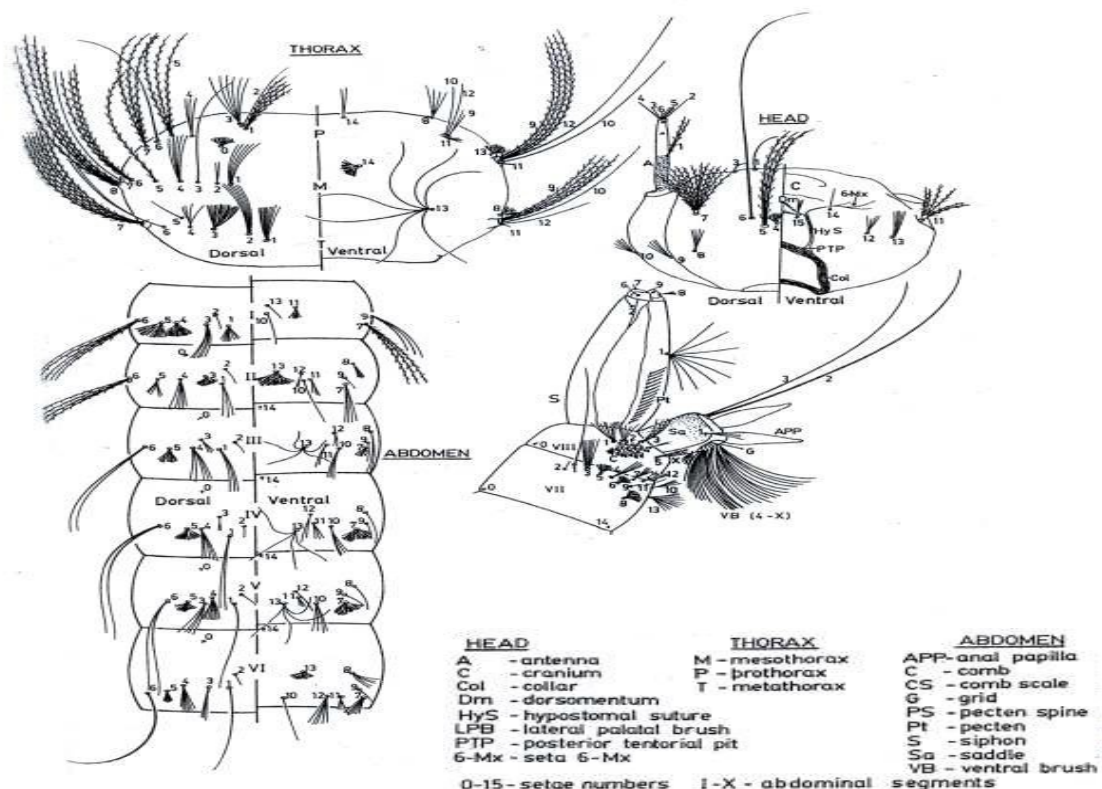
Thorax: Pleural area of thorax speculate or non speculate; hairs on Pro, Meso and Meta thoracic pleural hairs simple or pectinate.

Abdomen: Size of the anterior tergal plates; presence or absence of palmate hairs; number and rows of comb scales; presence or absence of sclerotized comb plate; size and shape of individual comb scales.

Siphon: Presence or absence of siphon and pecten teeth; size of the siphon; number of sub ventral setae; siphonal valves simple or modified.

Saddle: Ventral brush (4x) single or with many pairs.

3.2 Morphology of Fourth Instar Larva

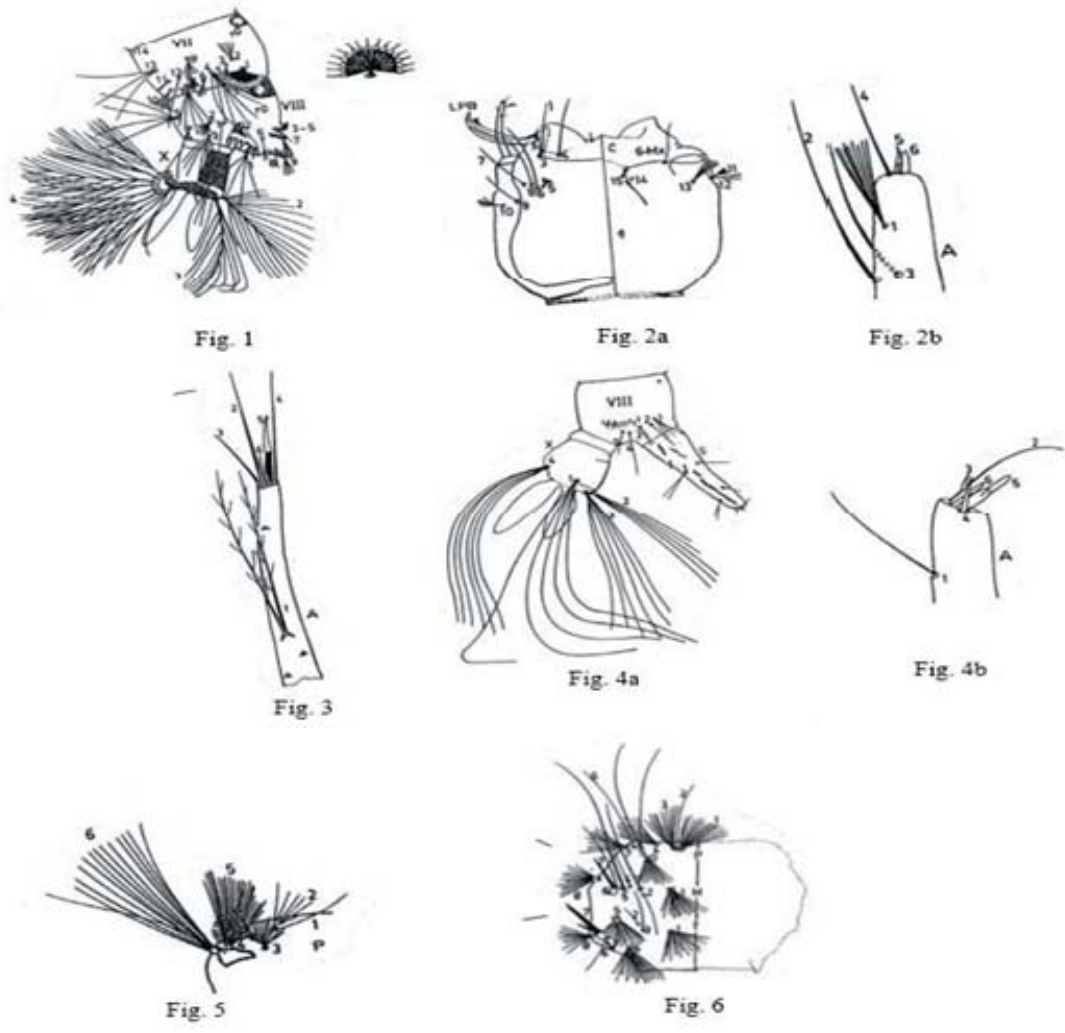


3.3 Identification key for Genera

1. Respiratory siphon absent; abdominal seta 1 palmate, on at least on segments IV-VII (Fig.1)..... *Anopheles*
 Respiratory siphon present; abdominal seta 1 never palmate (Fig.4a). 2
- 2(1). Lateral palatal brush (mouth brush) with 10 thick curved, simple filaments; antenna with setae 2, 3-A arising basad of seta 1-A (Fig.2 a, b), comb scales and pecten absent..... *Toxorhynchites*
 Lateral palatal brush with numerous fine setae; antenna with setae 2,3-A distad of 1-A (Fig. 3), comb scales always present; pecten present or absent..... 3
- 3(2). Ventral bush (4-X) with a single pair of setae; siphon with two or (usually) more sub-dorsal setae as well as various ventral and sub-ventral setae; antenna short, without articulated apical segment (Fig. 4 a, b) 4
 Without this combination or characters, ventral brush (4-X) with 3 or more pairs of setae (Fig.15a) 6
- 4(3). Thoracic setae 5,6-P large, fan shaped tufts arising from a common tubercle (Fig. 5); 6-M and 7-T never stout spines; comb usually a patch of scales in two or more rows..... 5
 Thoracic seta 6-M and / or seta 7-T often a stout spine (Fig. 6); comb scales in single row, sometimes arising from a sclerotized plate scale..... *Tripteroides*

Legends to the Figures (1-6)

- Fig.1 - Abdomen seta-1 palmate
- Fig.2a - Mouth brush
- Fig.2b - Setae 2,3-A position
- Fig.3 - Setae 2,3-A position
- Fig.4a - Ventral brush (4-X)
- Fig.4b - Antenna short
- Fig.5 - Thoracic setae 5,6-P
- Fig.6 - Setae 6-M & setae 7-T



- 5(4). Abdominal segments V-VI with one or more pairs of stellate setae with numerous, short, stiff branches; maxillae with conspicuous horn; siphon at least 6times as long as saddle (Fig.7a,b,c) *Topomyia*
- Maxillary horn absent; abdominal segments V-VI never with stellate setae; siphon at most 4 times as long as saddle (Fig. 8)..... *Malaya*
- 6(3). Siphonal valves modified for piercing tissues of aquatic plants with sclerotized saw-toothed process at tip (Fig.9a). 7
- Siphon not so modified or, if so, without any saw-toothed process..... 8
- 7(6). Antenna with part distal to setae 2,3-A flexible, as long as or longer than the proximal part (Fig.9b)..... *Coquillettidia*
- Antenna with part distal to setae 2,3-A not flexible, less than 0.5 of the proximal part (Fig.9c).....*Mansonia*
- 8(6). Antenna broad flattened; some thoracic setae enormously long, others stellate; tip of siphon with paired hooks and branched setae (Fig.10a, b, c)..... *Aedeomyia*
- Antenna, thoracic setae and siphon otherwise 9

Legends to the Figures (7-10)

Fig. 7a - Stellate setae in abdominal segments V-VI Fig.

Fig.7b - Maxillary horn

Fig.7c - Long siphon

Fig. 8: Short siphon

Fig.9a - Modified siphon

Fig.9b - Setae 2,3-A length

Fig.9c - Setae 2,3-A length

Fig.10a - Antenna broad flattened

Fig.10b - Long thoracic setae

Fig.10c - Siphon with hooks



- 9(8) Siphon with a single pair of sub-ventral setae arising at not more than 0.2 of the distance from base; comb in a single row of at most 20 scales; siphon as long as saddle (Fig.11a)..... 10
 Without this combination of characters 11
- 10(9). Pecten with at least 3 teeth, usually more; Seta 1-C simple; Seta 6-C single, long; Seta 4-C nearly as long as 5-C (Fig. 11a,b).....*Hodgesia*
 Head seta 1-C strongly barbed; pecten with at most 2 teeth (Fig. 12a, b).....*Ficalbia*
- 11(9). Distal portion of antenna freely articulated, setae 2,3-A attached at joint; siphon with a single pair of sub-ventral setae (Fig. 13a,b); pecten absent or sometime present; ventral brush with 2-4 pairs of setae*Mimomyia*

Antenna never thus; siphons often otherwise; ventral brush with at least 3 pairs of setae, often with 5 or more pairs	12
12(11). Pecten absent; siphon very short and broad with a single pair of sub-ventral setae arising beyond half way; antennal seta 1-A minute (Fig.14a, b)	<i>Armigeres</i>
Without this combination of characters	13
13(12). Pecten absent; siphon very long, with a single pair of sub-ventral setae; ventral brush with 6 pairs of setae or more; antennal seta 1-A arising on basal half, with 4 or more branches (Fig.15a,b)	<i>Orthopodomyia</i>
Without this combination of characters	14
14(13). Siphon with a single pair of sub-ventral setae arising not less than 0.25 distances from base.	15
Siphon with several pairs of sub-ventral setae or if with a single pair then arising about 0.2 distances from the base.....	18

Legends to the Figures (11-15)

- Fig.11a - Sub-ventral setae
- Fig. 11b: Seta 6-C
- Fig.12a - Head seta 1-C
- Fig. 12b: Pecten teeth
- Fig.13a - Position of setae 2,3-A
- Fig.13b - Siphon with single pair of sub-ventral setae
- Fig.14a - Pecten absent
- Fig. 14b: Seta 1-A minute
- Fig.15a - Long siphon with sub-ventral setae
- Fig.15b - Seta 1-A with 4 or more branches

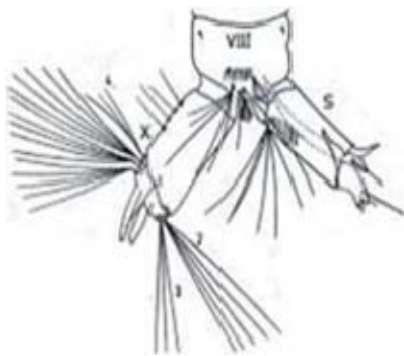


Fig. 11a

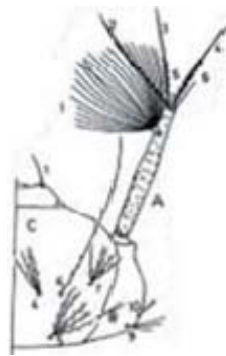


Fig. 11b

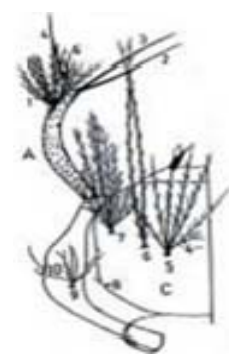


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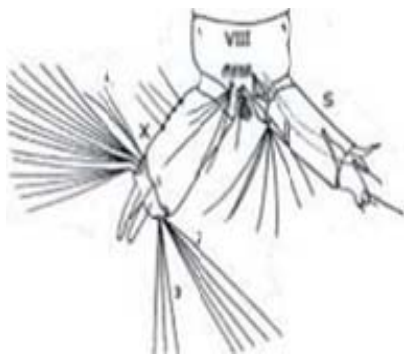


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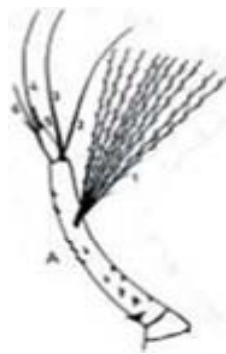


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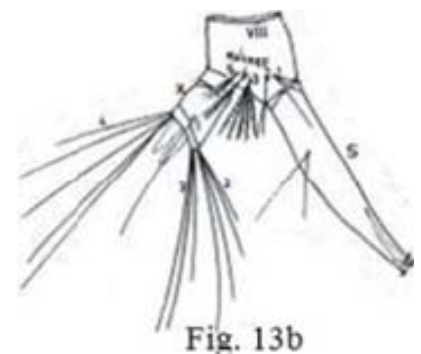


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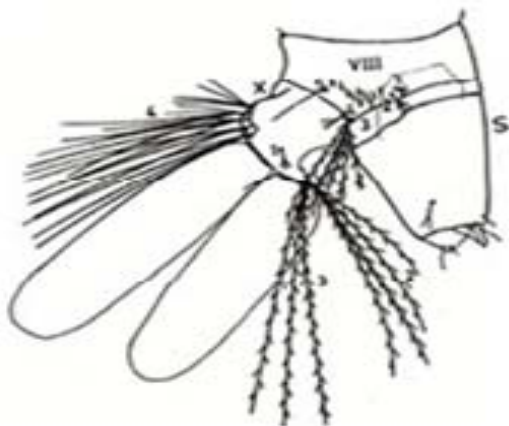


Fig. 14a



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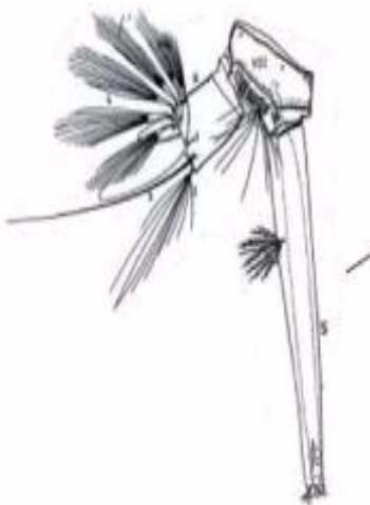


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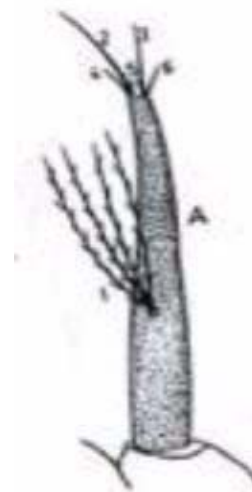


Fig. 15b

15(14). Hypostomal sutures absent or incomplete, not reaching posterior tentorial pit; head setae 5-C or 6-C or both sometimes spine like; comb often arising from a large sclerotized plate (Fig 16 a,b)*Uranotaenia*

Hypostomal sutures well developed, extending from the level of the mentum to the posterior tentorial pit; head setae 5-C or 6-C never spine like (Fig.17a); comb plate, if present, smaller.....16

16(15). Comb with at most 10 teeth, in a single row; head seta 5-C single, 4,6-C shorter than 5-C, with 2 or more delicate branches, 7-C single and much longer than any of these (Fig.17b,c)*Udaya*
Without this combination of characters..... 17

17(16). Head seta 4-C large multiple branch subequal in size to 7-C; 6-C with 2 unequal branches (Fig.18a); 7-C at least 5 branched; thoracic integument without spicules; comb plate absent; saddle incomplete.....*Heizmannia*

Head seta 4-C small variously branched, less than 0.5 length of 7-C; 6-C single or with two equal branches; Seta 4-C closer to 6-C than to 5-C (Fig. 18b)*Aedes*

18(14). Siphon with a single pair of sub-ventral setae arising near the base (Fig.19)..... *Culiseta*

Siphon with several pairs of sub-ventral setae (Fig. 20).....*Culex*

Legends to the Figures (16-20)

- Fig.16a - Hypostomal sutures absent
- Fig.16b - Sclerotized comb plate
- Fig.17a - Well developed hypostomal sutures
- Fig.17b - Comb scales
- Fig. 17c: Seta 7-C long
- Fig.18a - Seta 6-C with unequal branches
- Fig.18b - Seta 4-C
- Fig.19 - Single pair of sub-ventral setae
- Fig.20 - Several pairs of sub-ventral setae

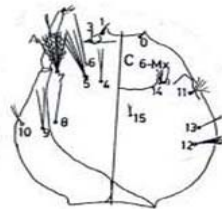


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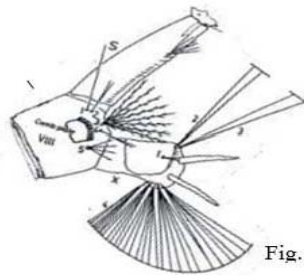


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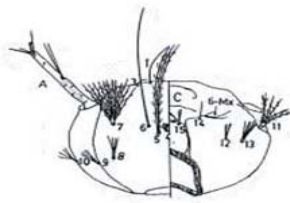


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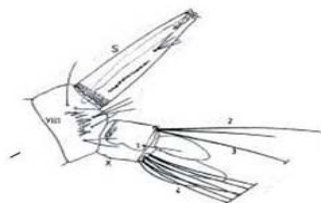


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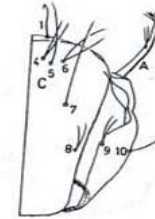


Fig. 17c



Fig. 18a



Fig. 18b

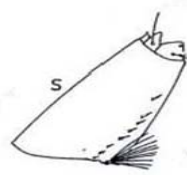


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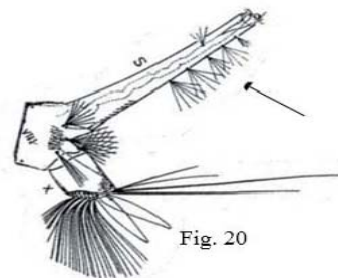


Fig. 20

3.4 Vectors of Japanese Encephalitis

Japanese encephalitis (JE) was first recognized in Japan during 1871. This neurotrophic killer disease is caused by JE virus (JEV), the member of the genus flavivirus under the family flaviviridae. It is a disease of major public health importance due to its high epidemic potential, high case fatality rate and neurological sequelae among survivors. Approximately 3 billion people (40% of the world's population) live in JE endemic regions. The world-wide incidental scenario of JE is 30,000 - 50,000 cases per year, with the estimated mortality about 10,000 per year, whereas about 30% of survivors develop serious permanent neuropsychiatric problems. JE is among the most important viral encephalitis in Asia, especially in rural and suburban areas where rice culture and pig farming coexist. It has also occurred rarely and sporadically in northern Australia and parts of the Western Pacific. The incidence of

encephalitis has been reported in several southeast Asian countries, including India, affecting mainly children <12 years of age. It is rapidly increasing and spreading to other part of the world. Now, it has become the most epidemic disease worldwide. In India, the first JE case was identified in Tamil Nadu in 1955, since the infection has spread to Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Haryana, Kerala, West Bengal, Orissa and union territories of Goa and Pondicherry, etc. An epidemic of viral encephalitis was reported from July through November 2005 in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh, India. It was the longest and most severe epidemic in 3 decades; 5,737 persons were affected in 7 districts of eastern Uttar Pradesh, and 1,344 persons died. In year 2011, around 891 people, including 508 in Uttar Pradesh alone and 200 in Bihar, died due to encephalitis.

The JEV can only be spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected soon after they bite infected pigs and other amplifying host such as birds. After a person is bitten by an infected mosquito, it usually takes 5 – 15 days for the first symptoms to appear, such as headache, high fever, convulsions and coma. Of these severe cases approximately one third die and another one third are left with permanent disabilities. There is no specific treatment, though there is a vaccine for protection against JE

5. *Culex (Culex) fuscocephala*
6. *Culex (Culex) quinquefasciatus*
7. *Culex (Culex) whitmorei*
8. *Culex (Oculeomyia) epidesmus*
9. *Culex (Oculeomyia) bitaeniorhynchus*
10. *Culex (Oculeomyia) infula*
11. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) indiana*
12. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) annulifera*
13. *Mansonia (Mansonioides) uniformis*
14. *Anopheles (Anopheles) peditaeniatus*
15. *Anopheles (Anopheles) barbirostris*
16. *Anopheles (Cellia) subpictus*

3.4.1 Vectors in India

1. *Culex (Culex) tritaeniorhynchus*
2. *Culex (Culex) vishnui*
3. *Culex (Culex) pseudovishnui*
4. *Culex (Culex) gelidus*

3.4.2 Key to the Japanese encephalitis vector mosquito larvae (IVth Instar)

1. Seta 1-A present at mid length; median labral plate not distinguished completely, fused with dorsal apotome (Fig 21)..... Subgenus *Oculeomyia*

Pecten restricted to basal half of siphon; ventral brush (4-X) consists of 10 or more hair tufts; precratal setae absent; thoracic seta 3-P always single, as long and as thick as 1-P (Fig. 22a, b) Subgenus *Culex* (2)
- 2(1). Median labral plate of head capsule separated from dorsal apotome as a distinct transverse bar (Fig. 23a).....3

Median labral plate of head capsule not separated from dorsal apotome (Fig. 24).....12
- 3(2). Seta 1-C pale, slender and distally strongly tapered and filamentous (Fig.23a).....4

Seta 1-C dark, stout, spiniform and abruptly pointed or blunt apically (Fig. 23b).....5
- 4(3). Setae 5, 6-C double; mentum with 6,7 lateral teeth on each side of central tooth (Fig.23a, c); siphon slender, more or less cylindrical, and distally tapered..... *fuscocephala*
Setae 5,6-C with 4-6 branches ; mentum with 10-12 lateral teeth on each side of central tooth; siphon short, fusiform, and basal half strongly swollen (Fig.25a,b)..... *quinquefasciatus*
- 5(3). Abdominal seta 7-I double.....6
Abdominal seta 7-I single.....7
- 6(5). Seta 6-C double; siphon brownish, slender, ventral valve of spiracular apparatus small, siphonal tufts weak, with 2-5 branches; individual comb scales, apically rounded (fan shaped) fringed with subequal spicules (Fig. 26 a, b, c)..... *tritaeniorhynchus*

Seta 6-C triple; siphon yellowish, thick; ventral valve of spiracular apparatus large (Fig.27)..... *whitei & barraudi*

Legends to the Figures (21-27)

- Fig.21 - Pecten teeth
- Fig.22a - Pecten teeth
- Fig.22b - Seta 3-P –single
- Fig.23a - Transverse bar
- Fig.23b - Seta 1-C
- Fig.23c – Mentum
- Fig.24 - No transverse bar
- Fig.25a - Mentum
- Fig.25b - Fusiform siphon
- Fig.26a - Seta 6-C double
- Fig.26b - Weak siphonal tufts
- Fig.26c - Fan shaped comb scales
- Fig.27 - Seta 6-C triple



Fig. 23a

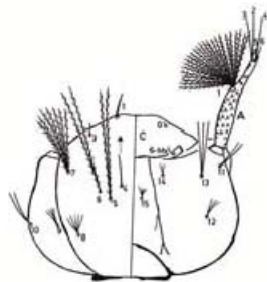


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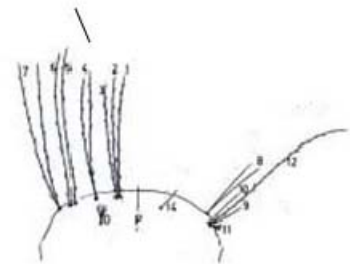


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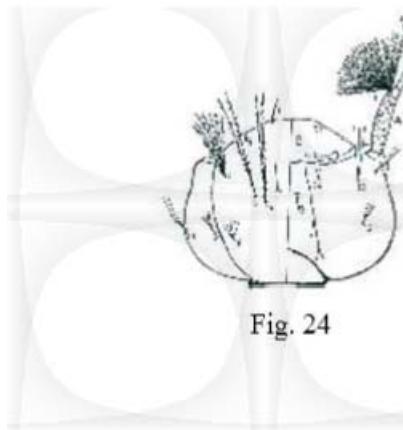


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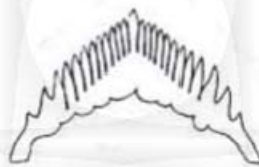


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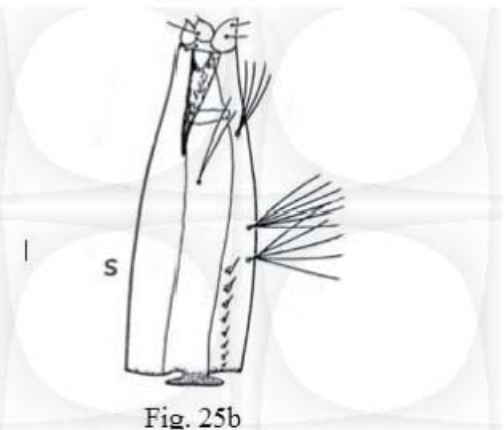


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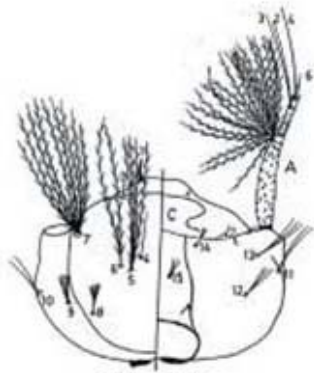


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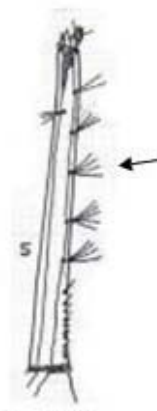


Fig. 26b



Fig. 26c

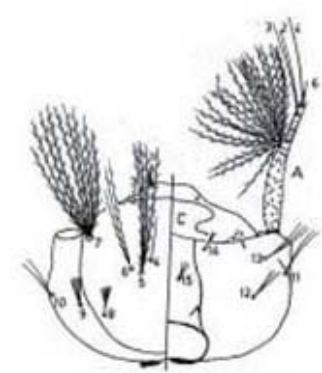


Fig. 27

7(5) Siphon short, fusiform, distinctly swollen in middle (Fig.28).....*gelidus*

Siphon long, cylindrical (Fig. 32a).....8

8(7). Seta 4-P double or multiple (Fig.29).....9

Seta 4-P single (Fig.30); siphon with some prominent spines on ventral surface of apical half *jacksoni*

9(8) Comb scales usually with 4-8, large spiniform scales more or less in a single row.....10

Comb scales small, with 16-20 or more, in 3 or 4 rows.....11

10(9). Siphon strongly tapered and up-curved distally; siphonal tufts very strong with 2-3 barbed branches (Fig. 31); 4-P always double*whitmorei*

Siphon moderately tapered, slightly curved apical; siphonal tufts weaker with 4-6 branches; comb scale very large with long and strong apical spine,4-P double or multiple (Fig. 32a, b)..... *pseudovishnui*

11(9). Pleural areas of thorax spiculate; comb scales about 22, pointed apically with strong apical spine (Fig. 33a, b); seta 5-C usually double or triple; 6-C double*vishnui*

Pleural areas of thorax not spiculate; comb scales about 40 or more rounded apically with even fringe of fine spicules (Fig.34), seta 5-C branched (4-6); 6-C triple.....*mimuloides*

12(2). Setae 2,3-A located halfway between apex and base of seta 1-A; seta 4-P short and minute, rather indistinct; Siphon with 4 or 5 pairs of sub-ventral tufts (Fig.35a,b,c)*sinensis* and *cornutus*

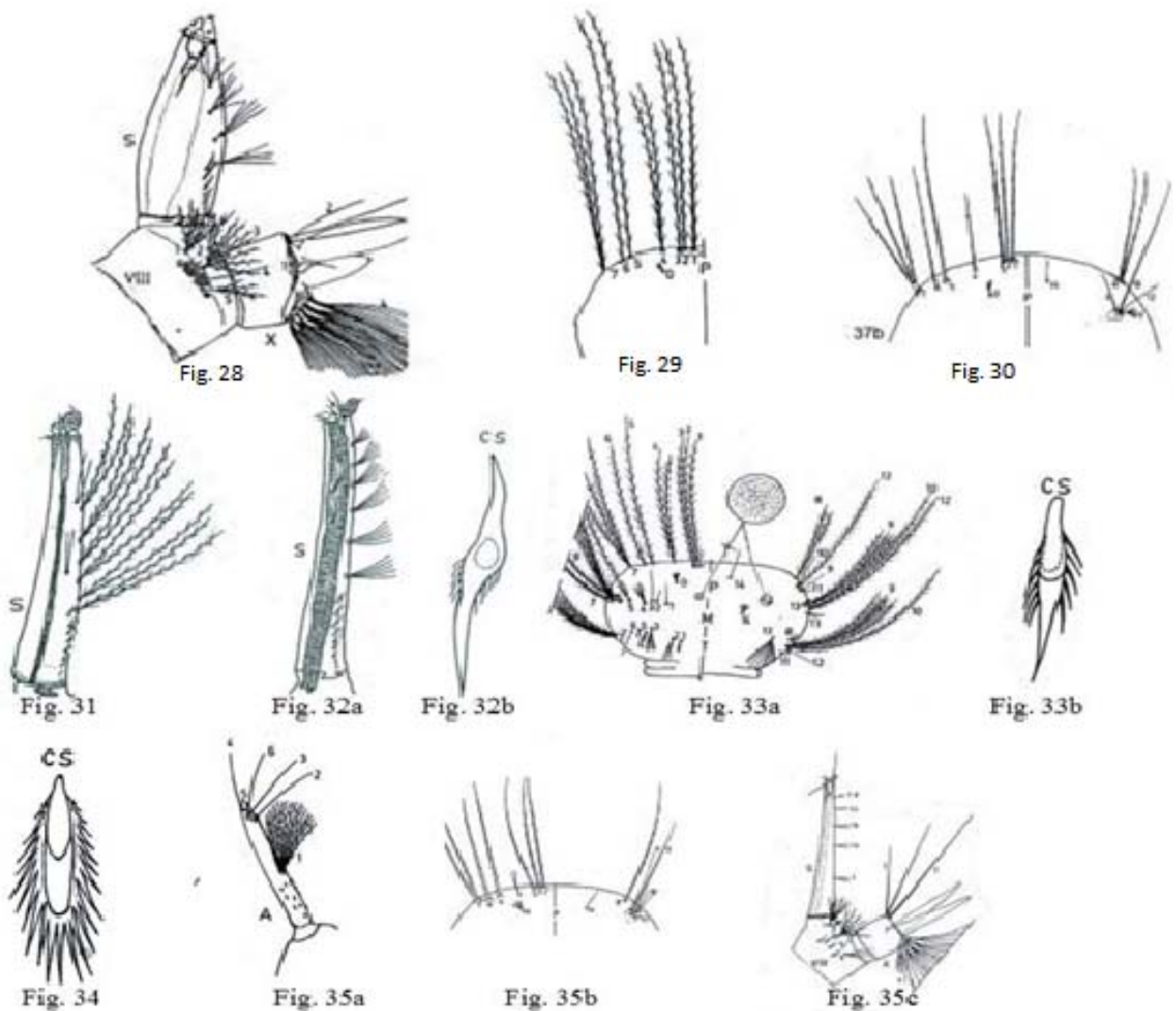
Setae 2,3-A sub-apical or closer to apex than to base of seta 1-A; seta 4-P strong and distinct (Fig. 36a, b).....13

13(12). Siphon usually with 4 pairs of sub-ventral tufts (Fig.37)*bitaeniorhynchus*
Siphon usually with 3 pairs of sub-ventral tufts (Fig.38)*influla*

Legends to the Figures (28-38)

- Fig.28 - Short siphon
- Fig.29 - Seta 4-P double
- Fig.30 - Seta 4-P single
- Fig.31 - Barbed siphonal tufts
- Fig.32a - Long cylindrical siphon
- Fig.32b - Comb scales
- Fig.33a - Spiculate thorax
- Fig.33b - Comb scales

- Fig.34 - Comb scales
- Fig.35a - Setae 2,3-A
- Fig.35b - Seta 4-P minute
- Fig.35c - Sub-ventral tufts
- Fig.36a - Setae 2,3-A
- Fig.36b - Seta 4-P
- Fig.37 - 4 pairs of sub-ventral tufts
- Fig.38 - 3 pairs of sub-ventral tufts



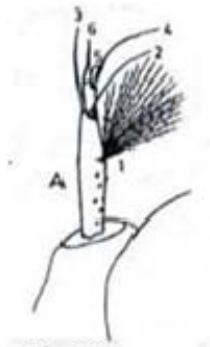


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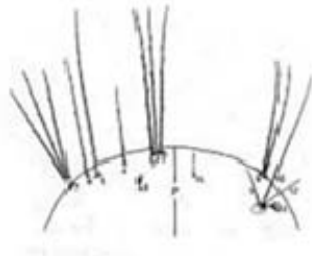


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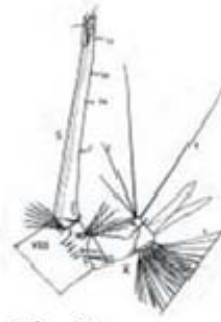


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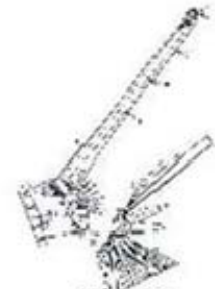


Fig. 38

1. Bases of inner clypeal hairs much closer to one another than to outer clypeal hairs; antennal hair branched or simple (Fig.39).....Subgenus *Anopheles* (2)

Bases of inner clypeal hairs wide apart and closer to the bases of outer clypeal hairs; antennal hair simple (Fig.40).....Subgenus *Cellia* (3)

2(1). Outer clypeal hairs profusely branched forming a tuft; seta 1-P with many branches arising very near the base (Fig.41a, b).....*barbirostris*

Outer clypeal hairs profusely branched forming a tuft; seta 1-P simple or bifid (Fig.42).....*peditaeniatus*

3(1). Posterior clypeal hair placed not very close to inner clypeal hair; mesothoracic hair 4 most often with 2 branches (Fig. 43a,b)..... *subpictus*

Posterior clypeal hair placed not very close to inner clypeal hair; mesothoracic hair 4 most often with 3 branches (Fig.44) *sundaicus*

Legends to the Figures (39-44)

- Fig.39 - Inner clypeal hairs- closure
- Fig.40 - Inner clypeal hairs – wider
- Fig.41a - Outer clypeal hairs with tuft
- Fig.41b - Seta 1-P with many branches
- Fig.42 - Seta 1-P simple
- Fig.43a - Position of posterior clypeal hairs
- Fig.43b - 4-M with 2 branches
- Fig.44 - 4-M with 3 branches

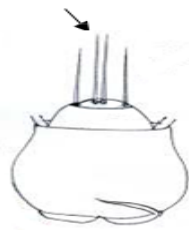


Fig. 39



Fig. 40



Fig. 41a



Fig. 41b

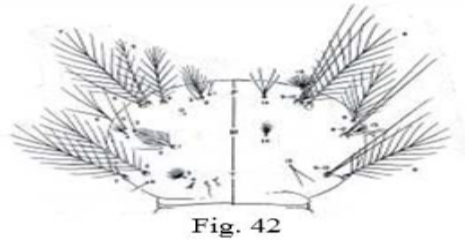


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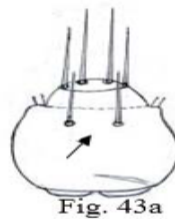


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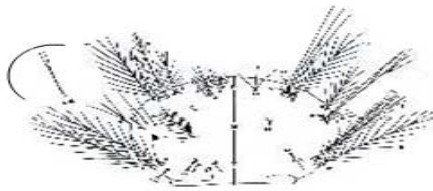


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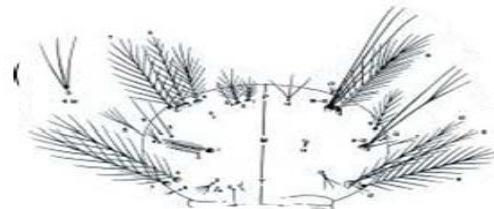


Fig. 44

1. Siphon without pecten; siphonal valves modified for piercing tissues of aquatic plants with sclerotized saw toothed process at tip; (Fig.45)..... *Mansonia*
- 1a. Setae 2,3-A long and not reaching very beyond end of antenna; basal half of antenna darkened; setae 6,7-C with 6-7 branches without barbed; seta 7-C distally split into 2 or 3 branches (Fig.46 a,b).....*annulifera*
- 1b. Setae 2,3-A long and reaching beyond end of antenna; antenna with a dark ring at base and another at level of origin of hair tuft; setae 6,7-C barbed with 7-9 branches (Fig.47 a, b).....*uniformis & indiana*

Legends to the Figures (45-47)

- Fig.45 - Modified siphon
- Fig.46a - Basal half of antenna darkened
- Fig.46b - Seta 7-C distally split
- Fig.47a - Antenna with two dark rings
- Fig.47b - Seta 6,7-C barbed

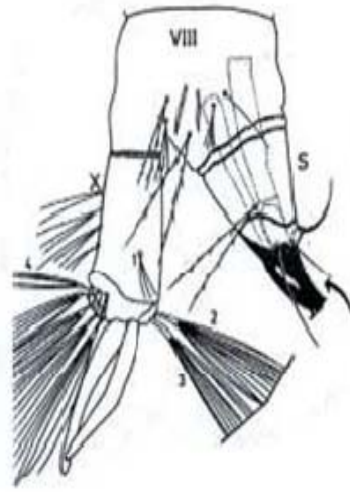


Fig. 45



Fig. 46a

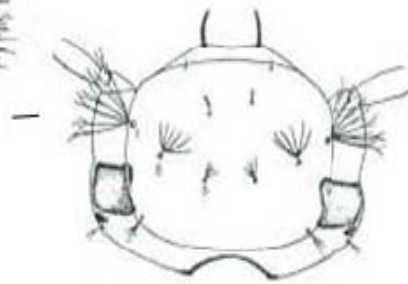


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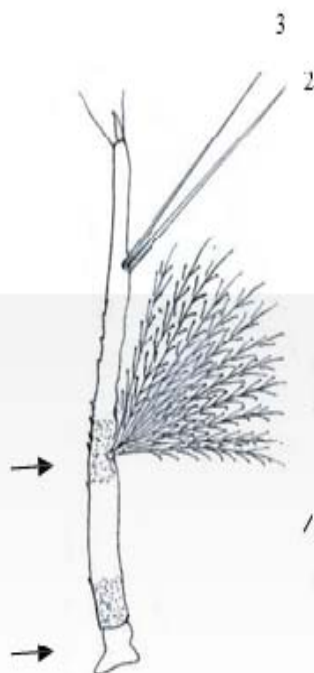


Fig. 47a

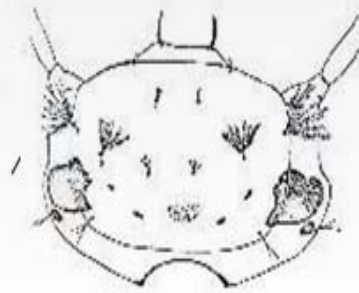


Fig. 47b

3.5 Vectors of Lymphatic Filariasis

Lymphatic filariasis, commonly known as elephantiasis, is a neglected tropical disease. Infection occurs when filarial parasites are transmitted to humans through mosquitoes. The painful and profoundly disfiguring visible manifestations of the disease, lymphoedema, elephantiasis and scrotal swelling occurring during lifetime lead to permanent disability. These patients are not only physically disabled, but suffer mental, social and financial losses contributing to stigma and poverty.

Currently, more than 1.4 billion people in 73 countries are living in areas where lymphatic filariasis parasite is transmitted and are at risk of being infected. Globally, an estimated 25 million men suffer with genital disease and over 15 million people are afflicted with lymphoedema. In response, WHO launched its Global Programme to Eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis (GPELF) in 2000 with the aim of eliminating the disease as a public- health problem. In 2012, the WHO NTD Roadmap reconfirmed the target date for achieving elimination by 2020.

WHO's strategy is based on 2 key components:

- (i) stopping transmission through large-scale annual treatment of all eligible people in an area or region where infection is present; and
- (ii) alleviating the suffering caused by lymphatic filariasis through increased morbidity management and disability prevention activities

There are 3 types of thread-like filarial worms:

- Wuchereria bancrofti*
- Brugia malayi*, and
- Brugia timori*

Lymphatic filariasis is transmitted by different types of mosquitoes:

- Culex quinquefasciatus*
- Mansonia uniformis*
- Mansonia annulifera*
- Aedes niveus* (sub-periodic filariasis in Andaman & Nicobar Islands)

3.5.1 Key to the Lymphatic Filariasis vector mosquito larvae (IVth Instar)

1. Pecten restricted to basal half of siphon; ventral brush (4-X) consists of 10 or more hair tufts; prerectal setae absent; thoracic seta 3-P always single, as long and as thick as 1-P (Fig.48a, b) Subgenus *Culex* (2)
 - Siphon without pecten; siphonal valves modified for piercing tissues of aquatic plants with sclerotized saw toothed process at tip; (Fig.49)..... Genus *Mansonia* (3)
- 2(1). Setae 5, 6-C double; mentum with 6,7 lateral teeth on each side of central tooth (Fig.50a, b); siphon slender, more or less cylindrical, and distally tapered..... *fuscocephala*
 - Setae 5,6-C with 4-6 branches; mentum with 10-12 lateral teeth on each side of central tooth; siphon short, fusiform; basal half strongly swollen (Fig.51a, b).....*quinquefasciatus*
- 3(1). Setae 2,3-A long and not reaching very beyond end of antenna; basal half of antenna darkened; setae 6,7-C with 6-7 branches without barbed; seta 7-C distally split into 2or 3 branches (Fig. 52a,b).....*annulifera*
 - Setae 2,3-A long and reaching beyond end of antenna; antenna with a dark ring at base and another at level of origin of hair tuft; setae 6,7-C barbed with 7-9 branches (Fig.53 a,b).....*uniformis & indiana*

Diurnally subperiodic filariasis vector in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

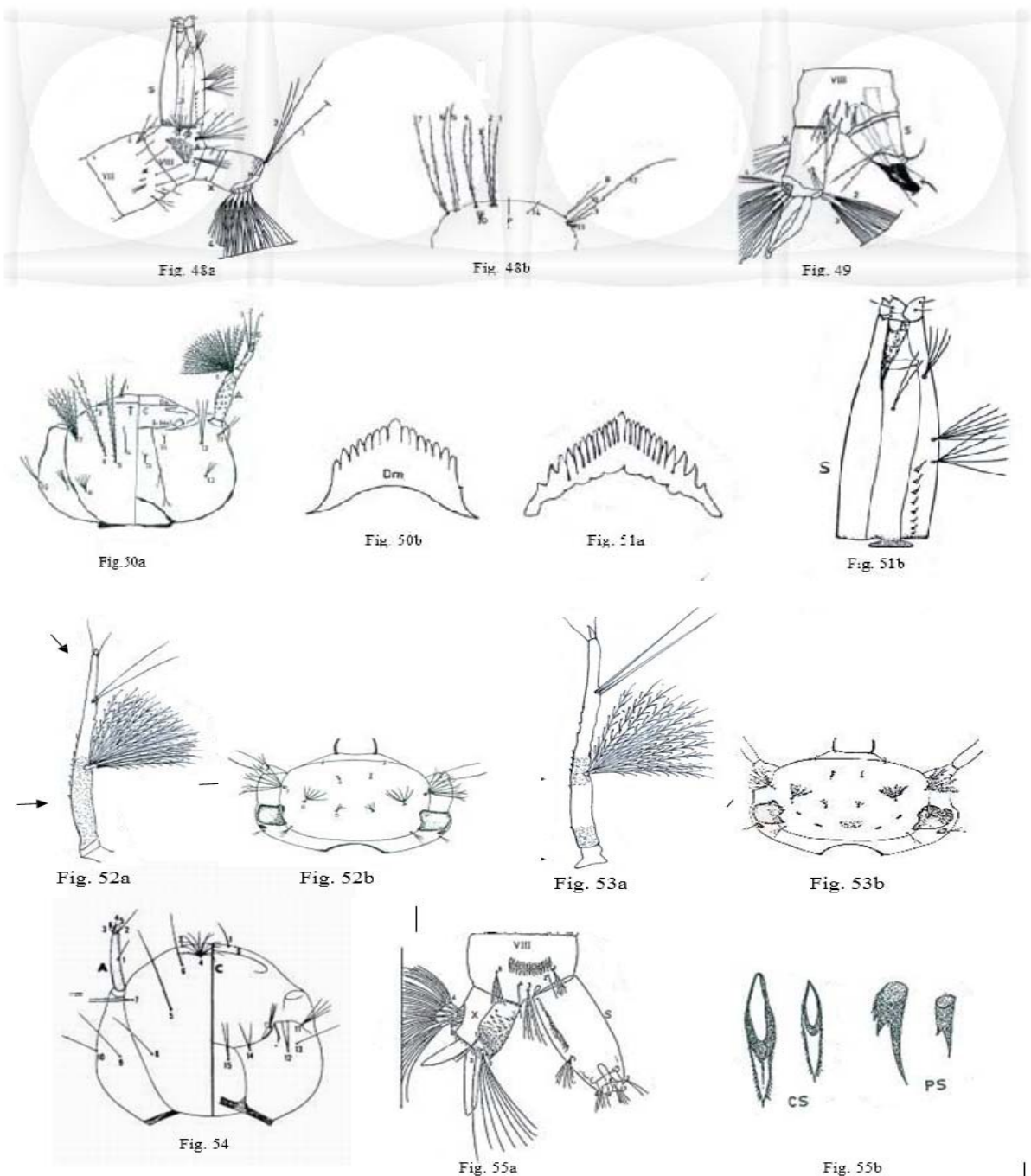
1. Head seta 4-C small, variously branched, less than 0.5 length of 7-C; 6-C single or with two equal branches; Seta 4-C closer to 6-C than to 5-C (Fig. 54) genus *Aedes*

1a. Ventral brush (4-X) with 5 pairs of setae; 12-16 comb scales arranged in a single row; individual comb scales pointed, fringed almost to apex, pecten uniformly pigmented with 15-22 spines (Fig. 55a, b).....*nivea**

**Downsiomyia nivea* (= *Aedes (Finlaya) niveus*)

Legends to the Figures (48-55)

- Fig.48a - Ventral brush with 10 or more tufts
- Fig. 48b: Seta 3-P single
- Fig.49 - Modified siphon
- Fig. 50a: Setae 5,6-C double
- Fig. 50b: Mentum
- Fig.51a - Mentum
- Fig.51b - Siphon strongly swollen
- Fig.52a - Basal half of antenna darkened
- Fig. 52b: Seta 7-C distally split
- Fig.53a - Antenna with two dark rings
- Fig. 53b: Seta 6,7-C barbed
- Fig.54 - Position of seta 4-C
- Fig. 55a: Ventral brush
- Fig.55b - Comb scales and pecten teeth



3.6 Vectors of Dengue /Chikungunya

Dengue

Dengue is a mosquito borne viral infection. The infection is found in both tropical and subtropical climates, mostly in urban and semi-urban areas. Worldwide, 2.5 billion people in more than 100 countries are at risk of contracting dengue alone. WHO currently estimates that there may be 50-100 million dengue infections worldwide every year. There is no specific treatment for dengue and dengue hemorrhagic fever, but early detection and access to proper medical care lowers fatality rate. There are four distinct but closely related serotype of the virus that causes dengue (DEN-1, DEN-2, DEN-3 & DEN-4). *Aedes aegypti* mosquito is the primary vector of dengue virus, although in rural sylvatic ecosystems *Ae. albopictus* can transmit dengue virus as a major vector.

Chikungunya

Chikungunya fever is a viral disease transmitted to humans by the bite of infected mosquitoes. Chikungunya virus was first isolated from the blood of febrile patient in Tanzania in 1953. *Aedes aegypti* is the primary vector of Chikungunya virus to humans. *Aedes albopictus* plays a secondary role in human transmission. There is no vaccine or preventive drug currently available.

Aedes aegypti is a highly anthropophilic mosquito and breeds in man-made containers. *Ae. albopictus* is another important dengue vector in Asia and is mostly rural in nature. At present the only method to control or prevent the transmission of dengue/chikungunya virus is to combat vector mosquitoes through community participation by preventing mosquitoes from accessing egg laying habitats through;

1. Environmental management and ecosystem modification,
2. Removing artificial man-made habitats,
3. Covering, emptying and cleaning of domestic water storage containers on a weekly basis, and
4. Using personal household protection measures such as window screens, long sleeved clothes and insecticide treated materials (coils, vaporizers and repellents).

3.6.1 Vectors in India

Aedes aegypti (= *Stegomyia aegypti*)

Aedes albopictus (= *Stegomyia albopicta*)

3.6.2 Key to the Dengue/Chikungunya vector mosquito larvae (IVth Instar)

1. Head seta 4-C small variously branched, less than 0.5 length of 7-C; 6-C single or with two equal branches; Seta 4-C closer to 6-C than to 5-C (Fig. 56)*Stegomyia*
- 1a. Ventral brush (4-X) with five pairs of setae each with two branches; Pecten scales usually 8-20, each scales with 1-4 basal denticles: comb scales with distinct large median spine with strong and stout lateral denticles (Fig. 57).....*aegypti*
- 1b. Ventral brush (4-X) with four pairs of setae each with single; Pecten scales 8-14, each scales with 2 main basal denticles: comb scales with fringed denticles at the base of apical spine (Fig. 58).....*albopicta*

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Fig. 56 - Position of seta 4-C

Fig. 57 - Ventral brush with 5 pairs each with 2 branches

Fig. 58 - Ventral brush with 4 pairs each single

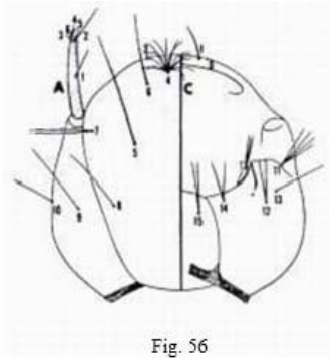


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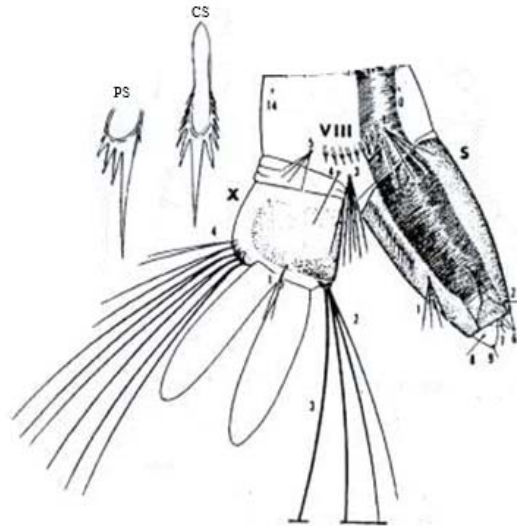


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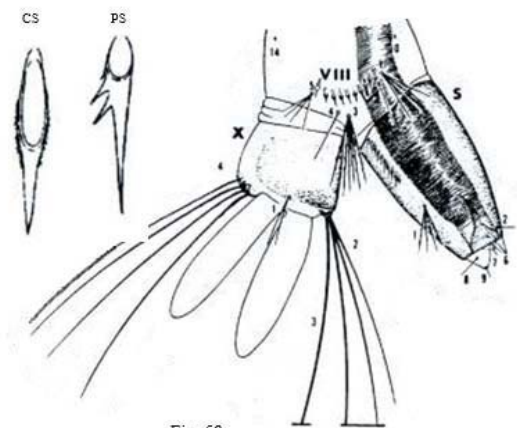


Fig. 58

3.7 Vectors of Malaria

Malaria continues to be one of the most important infectious diseases worldwide. About 350 million cases of malaria occur worldwide, affecting 97 countries and killing over one million people annually⁴⁸. In 2012, malaria killed an estimated 4,82,000 children (<5 years of age), i.e., 1300 children every day or one child almost every minute. The disease causing parasite is transmitted by anopheline mosquitoes, particularly in the tropics.

There are four species of parasites that cause malaria in humans- *Plasmodium falciparum*, *Plasmodium vivax*, *Plasmodium malariae* and *Plasmodium ovale*.

Malaria control methods that aim to reduce vector populations by targeting their aquatic immature stages are gaining ground. Most studies focus on the adult stage of malaria vectors, and surprisingly few studies are directed to understand the biology and ecology of aquatic immature stages. The development and nutrition during these immature stages determine the abundance, dynamics and fitness of the adults, and, as a consequence, malaria transmission. This field based hand book will be helpful to better understand the larval characters of malaria vectors, which will pave the way for effective vector control operations. At present there are 20 different anopheline species which are important around the world. In India, seven primary vectors are playing a major role in the transmission of malaria.

3.7.1 Major Malaria vectors in India:

1. *Anopheles (Cellia) culicifacies*
2. *Anopheles (Cellia) stephensi*
3. *Anopheles (Cellia) fluviatilis*
4. *Anopheles (Cellia) minimus*
5. *Anopheles (Cellia) sundanicus*
6. *Anopheles (Cellia) baimaii* (= *dirus* D)
7. *Anopheles (Cellia) philippinensis*

3.7.2 Key to the Malaria vector mosquito larvae (IVth Instar)

1. Bases of inner clypeal hairs much closer to one another than to outer clypeal hairs; antennal hair branched or simple (Fig. 59).....	Subgenus <i>Anopheles</i>
Bases of inner clypeal hairs wide apart and closer to the bases of outer clypeal hairs; antennal hair simple (Fig. 60).....	
Subgenus <i>Cellia</i> (2)	
2(1). Anterior tergal plates on abdominal segments III-VII very wide, and enclose the rounded median chitinous spot posteriorly (Fig. 61).....	3
Anterior tergal plates on abdominal segments III-VII not very wide and never enclosing the rounded median chitinous spot (Fig. 62).....	
5	
3(2). Inner and outer clypeal hairs simple (Fig. 60).....	4
Inner and outer clypeal hairs with short scattered branches (Fig. 63).....	
<i>aconitus</i>	
4(3). A pair of minute hairs arising from the tergal plate on segments II – VIII (Fig. 64).....	<i>varuna</i>
The pair of minute hairs not arising from the tergal plate but lying external and a little posterior to the plate on each side (Fig. 65).....	
<i>minimus and fluviatilis</i>	
5(2). Inner and outer clypeal hair simple or with short inconspicuous lateral fraying	6
Inner and outer clypeal hair with conspicuous lateral branches (Fig. 66).....	
12	
6(5). Mesothoracic pleural hairs all simple, with two long hairs (Fig. 67)	7
One of the long mesothoracic pleural hair pectinate others simple (Fig. 68).....	
10	
Meso and metathoracic pleural hairs all simple (Fig. 69).....	
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- Fig. 59 - Inner clypeal hairs – closure
- Fig. 60 - Inner clypeal hairs - wider
- Fig. 61 - Anterior tergal plates
- Fig. 62 - Anterior tergal plates
- Fig. 63 - Inner and outer clypeal hairs
- Fig. 64 - Minute hairs in tergal plate
- Fig. 65 - Minute hairs not in tergal plate
- Fig. 66 - Inner and outer clypeal hairs with branches
- Fig. 67 - Mesothoracic hairs simple
- Fig. 68 - Mesothoracic hair with pectinate
- Fig. 69 - Meso and metathoracic hairs simple

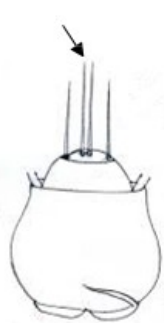


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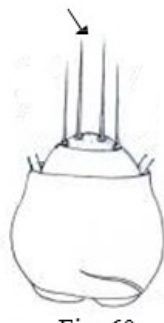


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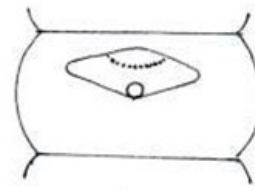


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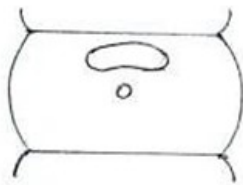


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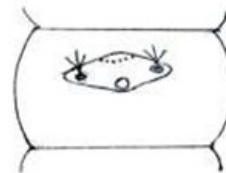


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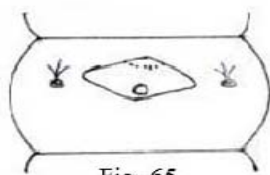


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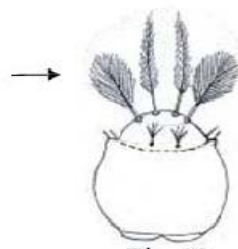


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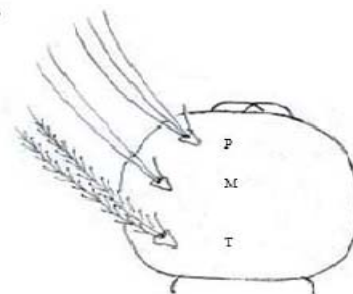


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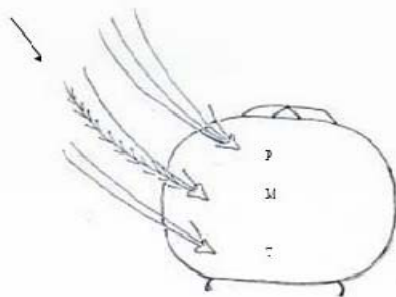


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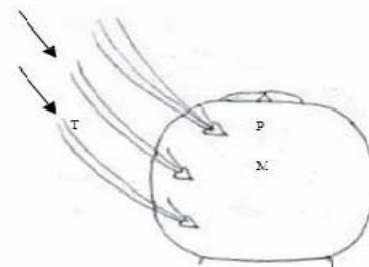


Fig. 69

7(6). Both the long metathoracic pleural hairs pectinate (Fig. 70);
 palmate hair on thorax not differentiated8

One of the long metathoracic pleural hair pectinate others simple (Fig. 71); palmate hair on thorax
 well differentiated9

8(7). Posterior clypeal hair short, and placed very close to
 inner clypeal hair (Fig.72).....*vagus*

Posterior clypeal hair placed not very close to inner clypeal hair; mesothoracic hair 4 most often with 3
 branches (2-4) from near the base (Fig.73a, b) *sundaicus*

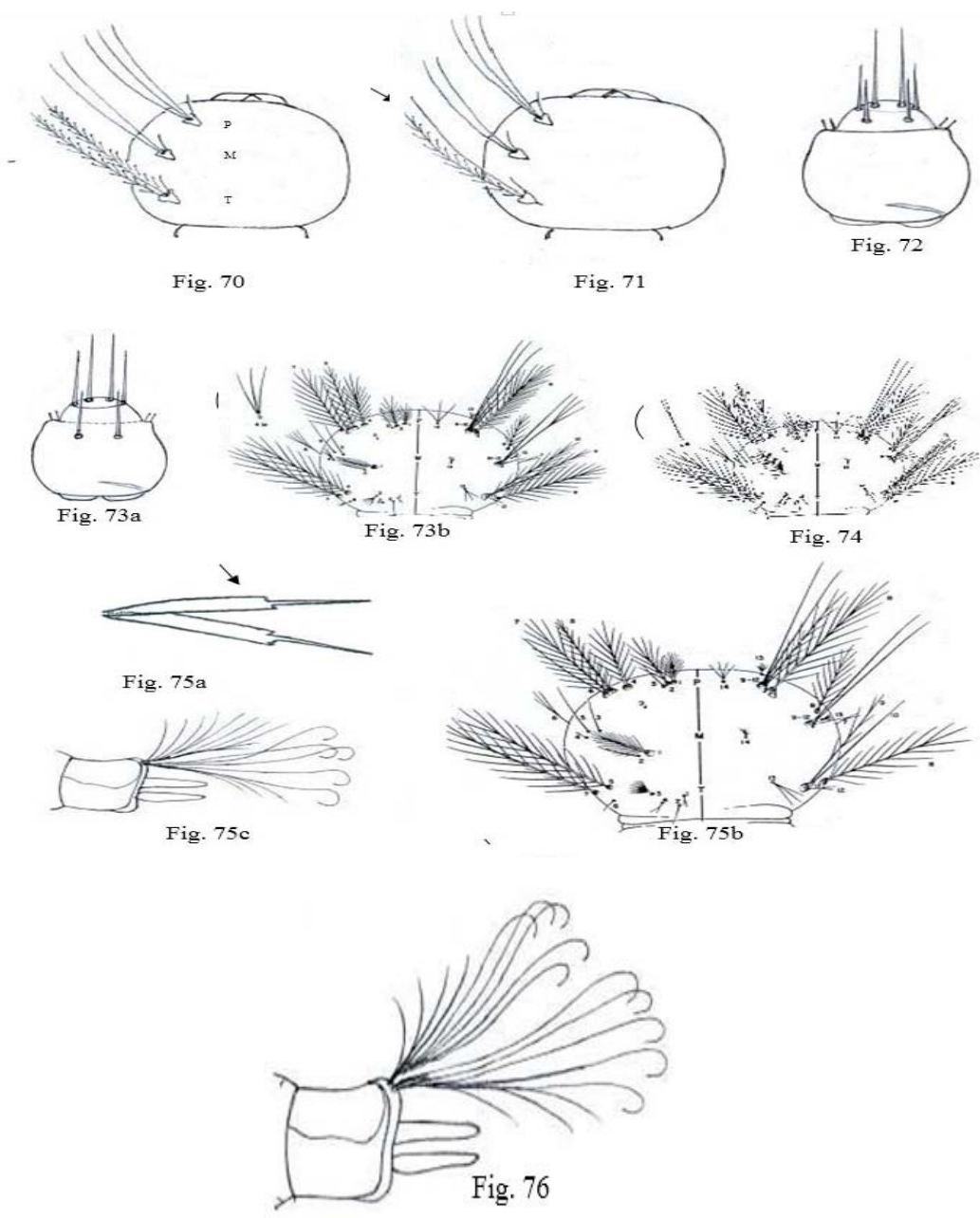
Posterior clypeal hair placed not very close to inner clypeal hair; mesothoracic hair 4 most often with 2
 branches (1-3)from near the base (Fig.73a, 74) *subpictus*

9(7). Filaments of abdominal palmate hairs about half as long as the blades of leaflets; Seta 9-T with few branches, 10-T simple; only the end of outer submedio-dorsal caudal hairs curved to form hooks, the branches of inner hairs, fine and straight (Fig.75a, b, c).....*culicifacies*

Filaments of abdominal palmate hairs about half as long as the blades of leaflets; both the ends of inner and outer submedio- dorsal caudal hairs curved to form hooks, the branches of inner hairs stout (Fig.75a, 76).....*d'thali*

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- Fig.70 - Both the metathoracic hairs pectinate
- Fig.71 - Single metathoracic hair pectinate
- Fig.72 - Position of posterior clypeal hair
- Fig.73a - Position of posterior clypeal hair
- Fig.73b - Seta 4-M with 3 branches
- Fig.74 - Seta 4-M with 2 branches
- Fig.75a - Filaments of palmate hair
- Fig.75b - Seta 9-T with few branches
- Fig.75c - Outer submedio-dorsal caudal hairs
- Fig.76 - Inner & outer submedio-dorsal caudal hairs



10(6). Outer clypeal hairs always simple; abdominal seta 1-I with 3-5 branches; setae 9,10-T both branched (Fig.77a, b).....*stephensi*

Inner and outer clypeal hairs finely frayed; filamentous of abdominal seta 1 with sharp point; Seta 6-III with 20 or more branches(Fig.78)*maculatus*

11(6). Seta 1-P with 2-5 branches; abdominal seta 1-II with filamentous branches (Fig.79a,b).....*tessellatus*
 Innermost sub median prothoracic hair (1-P) with more than four branches arising from a large root (Fig.80).....*baimaii* (=dirus D)

12(5). Outer clypeal hairs with a large no. of long branches forming a broom like tuft; posterior clypeal hairs with 2-5 branches; filament of palmate hairs more than half or as long as blade of leaflet (Fig.81a, b).....*pallidus*

Outer clypeal hairs with a large no. of long branches forming a broom like tuft; posterior clypeal hairs with 7-10 branches; filament about ¼ length of leaflet (Fig.82a, b).....*philippinensis*

Legends to the Figures (77-82)

- Fig.77a - Abdominal seta 1-I with 3-5 branches
- Fig.77b - Setae 9,10-T both branched
- Fig.78 - Seta 6-III with 20 or more branches
- Fig.79a - Seta 1-P with 2-5 branches
- Fig.79b - Abdominal seta 1-II with many branches
- Fig.80 - 1-P with more than 4 branches
- Fig.81a - Posterior clypeal hairs with 2-5 branches
- Fig.81b - Filaments of palmate hair
- Fig.82a - Posterior clypeal hairs with 7-10 branches
- Fig.82b - Filaments of palmate hair

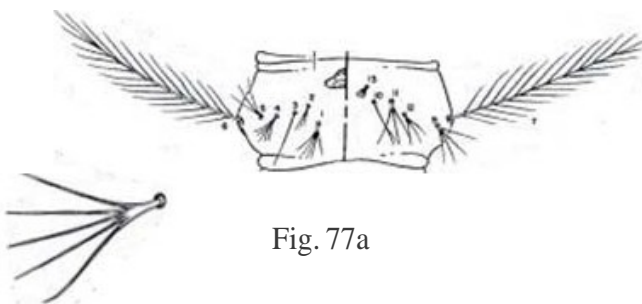


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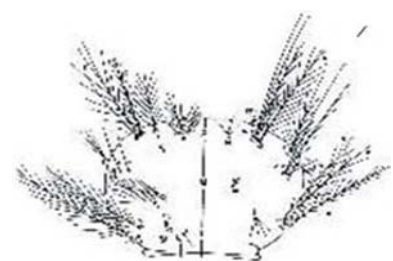


Fig. 77b

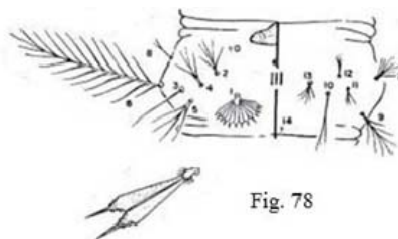


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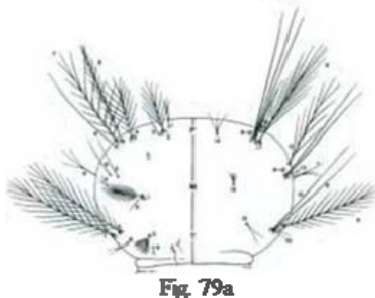


Fig. 79a



Fig. 79b



Fig. 80



Fig. 81a



Fig. 81b

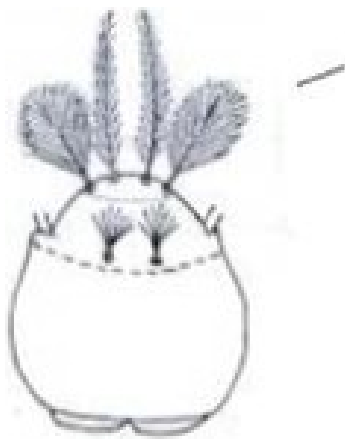


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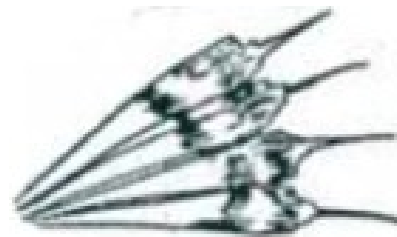


Fig. 82b

4. IDENTIFICATION KEYS TO THE FEMALES OF MAJOR VECTORS OF PUBLIC HEALTH IMPORTANCE IN INDIA

4.1 FEMALE ADULT CHARACTERS USED IN IDENTIFICATION

Head: Character and coloration of scaling, and arrangement of bristles; erect, narrow and broad scales on vertex.

Antenna: Coloration of torus, and presence or absence of scales; length of antenna compared with that of proboscis.

Clypeus: Shape; presence or absence of scales.

Palpi: Length, shape, ornamentation, tips of palpi dark or white; palpi with 3 or 4 pale bands; with or without speckling.

Proboscis: Ratio of palpi and proboscis, size and shape, pale rings; pale patches on ventral surface.

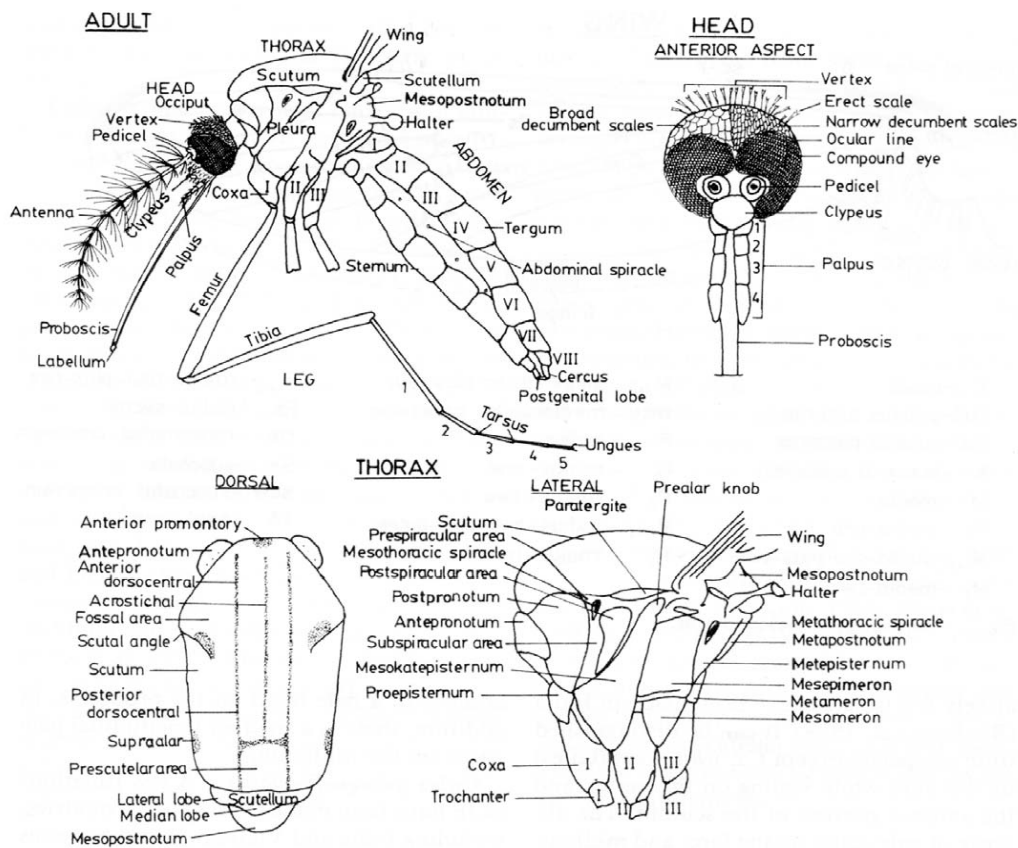
Thorax: Shape, with or without pale markings (ornamentation); with or without scale patches in anteprepronotum and postpronotum; postspiracular area with or without scales or setae, and shape of scutellum.

Legs: With or without speckling, especially presence or absence of pale rings or bands on tarsal segments, if present whether basal or apical, or both; comparative length of tibia and of tarsal segments; ornamentation of the legs is usually in connection with the tarsal segments. They may be uniformly dark, or they may be marked with white or pale bands at the joints; tarsal claws, whether toothed or simple; presence or absence of pulvilli.

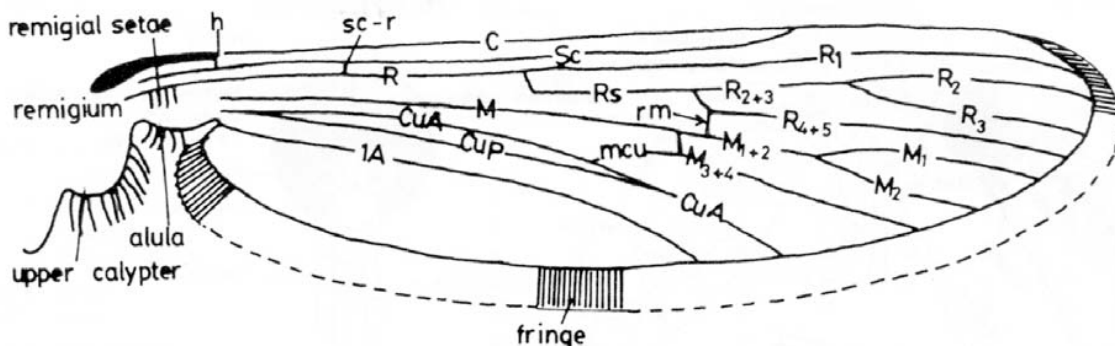
Wings: Venation or arrangement of veins; venation and spotting of wing; shape of scales on veins; length of wing from base of costa to tip; presence or absence of hairs or scales on upper calypter and alula.

Abdomen: The abdomen consists of eight visible segments. The first segment usually forms a somewhat transverse bar dorsally carrying long, outstanding hairs. The dorsal surface or dorsum is called as tergites and ventral surface or venter is called as sternites; with or without basal or apical, or both pale bands.

4.2 Morphology of Female Mosquito



Main body parts



- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| C - costa | M ₃₊₄ - media-three-plus-four | R ₄₊₅ - radius four-plus-five |
| CuA - cubitus anterior | mcu - mediocubital crossvein | Rs - radial sector |
| CuP - cubitus posterior | R - radius | rm - radiomedial crossvein |
| h - humeral crossvein | R ₁ - radius - one | Sc - subcosta |
| M - media | R ₂ - radius - two | sc-r - subcostal crossvein |
| M ₁ - media - one | R ₂₊₃ - radius - two-plus-three | 1A - anal vein |
| M ₁₊₂ - media-one-plus-two | R ₃ - radius - three | |
| M ₂ - media - two | | |

Wing

4.3 Identification key for Genera harbouring species of public health importance in India

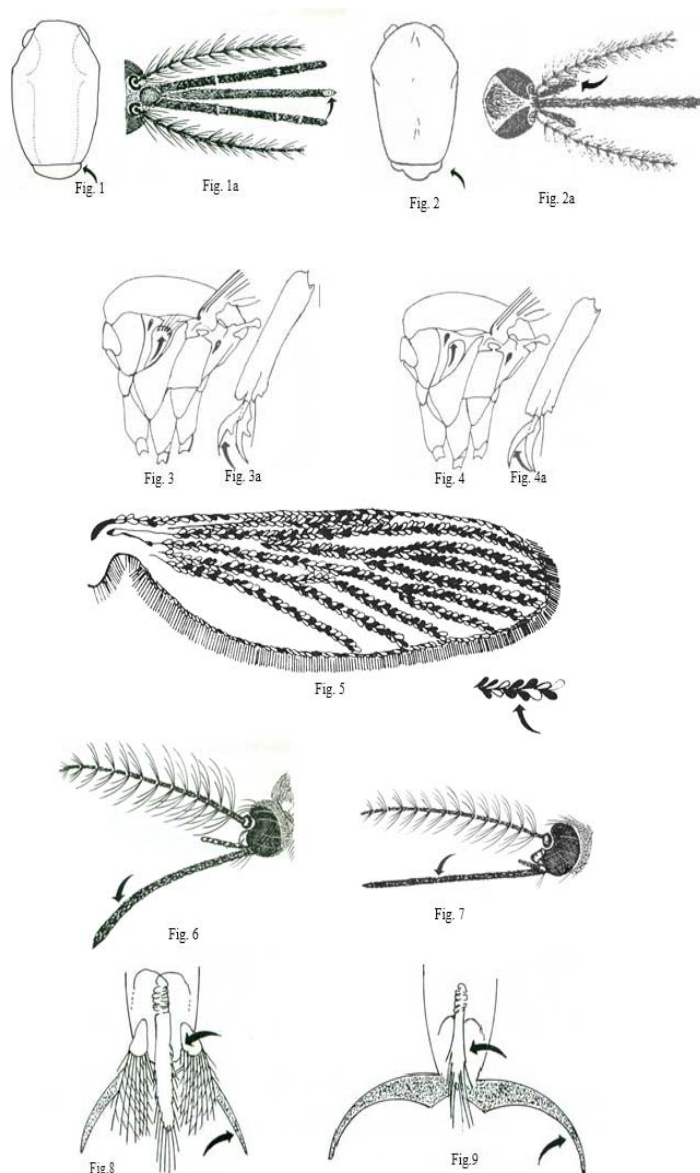
1. Scutellum evenly rounded; palpus about equal to the length of proboscis (Fig.1, 1a); abdomen with sterna and usually terga largely or wholly devoid of scales *Anopheles*

Scutellum trilobed; palpus short (Fig. 2, 2a); abdominal sterna and terga with dense, uniform covering of scales 2

- 2(1). Postspiracular setae present, or fore ungues toothed,
or both (Fig. 3, 3a) 3
- Postspiracular setae absent; ungues simple (Fig. 4, 4a) 5
- 3(2). Wing with broad, often asymmetrical scales; dark and
pale scales intermixed (Fig.5)..... *Mansonia* 4
- Wing with normal scales 4
- 4(3). Proboscis curved and laterally compressed (Fig .6)..... *Armigeres*
- Proboscis slender and usually straight, never
laterally compressed (Fig.7)..... *Aedes*
- 5(2). Hindtarsi with ungues very small and inconspicuous;
pulvilli present (Fig. 8) *Culex*
- Hindtarsi with ungues not very small; pulvilli absent (Fig. 9);
yellow or yellowish brown mosquitoes..... *Coquillettidia*

Legends to the Figures (1-9)

- Fig. 1 - *Anopheles* scutellum
- Fig. 1a - *Anopheles* palpi and proboscis
- Fig. 2 - *Culicine* scutellum
- Fig. 2a - *Culicine* palpi and proboscis
- Fig. 3 - pleuron with postspiracular setae
- Fig. 3a - toothed fore ungues
- Fig. 4 - pleuron without spiracular setae
- Fig. 4a - untoothed fore ungues
- Fig. 5 - wings with asymmetrical scales
- Fig. 6 - laterally compressed proboscis
- Fig. 7 - slender proboscis
- Fig. 8 - pulvilli present
- Fig. 9 - pulvilli absent



4.4 Key to Vectors of Japanese Encephalitis

Lower mesepimeral setae absent or 1, 2 weak ones; pleuron with distinct pale scale patches on at least upper and lower mesokatepisternum and anterior mesepimeron (Fig.10)..... subgenus *Culex*

Wing heavily/moderately speckled with pale scale; abdominal terga II-VI with apical bands and/or apicolateral pale patches and basal pale bands (Figs. 24-26).....(Subgenus *Oculeomyia*)

1. Proboscis and tarsi without pale rings; 1 or 2 lower mesepimeral setae present (Figs. 11,12).....2

Proboscis and tarsi with pale rings; lower mesepimeral setae absent (Figs. 13, 14).....4

2(1). Abdominal terga without pale bands, occasionally a few indistinct bands on posterior segments; pleuron with striking pattern of dark and pale stripes (Figs. 15, 16).....*fuscocephala*

Legends to the Figures (10-16)

- Fig. 10 - pleuron with pale scale patches
- Fig. 11 - proboscis without pale ring
- Fig. 12 - with lower mesepimeral setae
- Fig. 13 - proboscis with pale ring
- Fig. 14 - without lower mesepimeral setae
- Fig. 15 - abdomen terga without pale band
- Fig. 16 - pleuron with dark and pale stripes

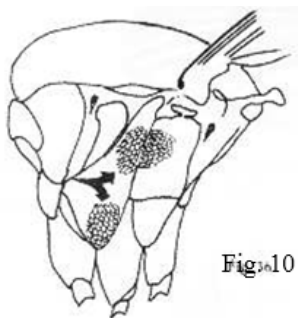


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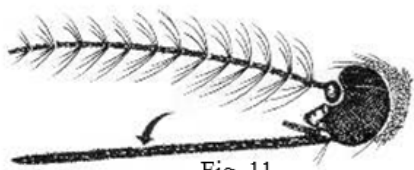


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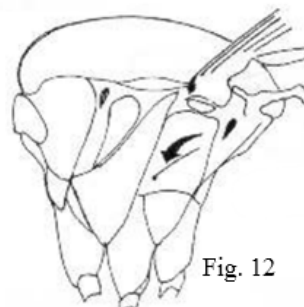


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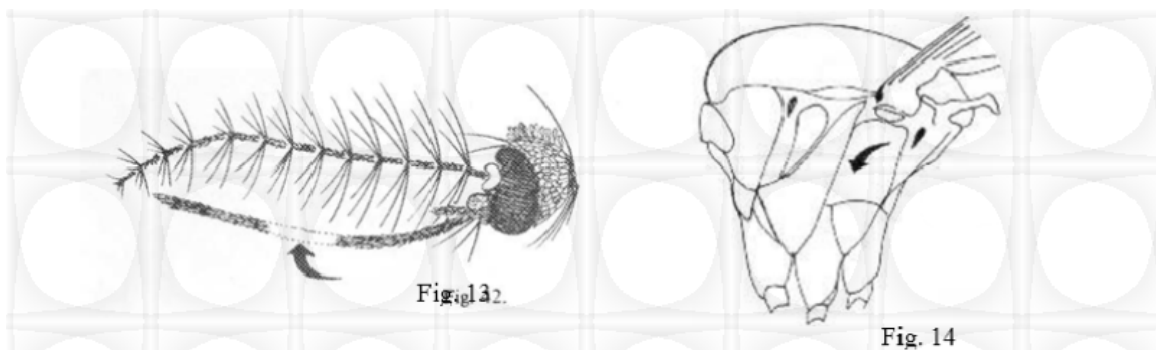


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Fig. 14



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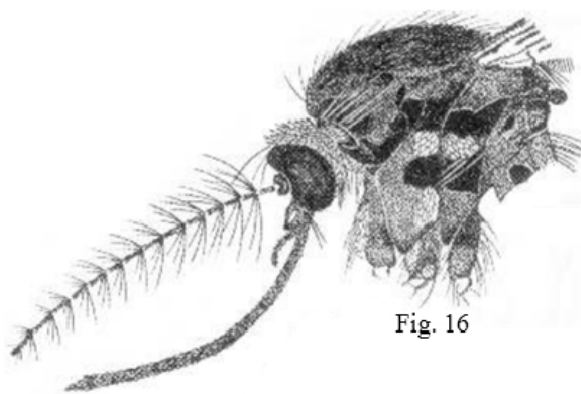


Fig. 16

Abdominal terga with basal pale bands; pleuron without striking pattern of dark and pale stripes (Figs. 17, 18)..... 3

3(2). Postspiracular area with pale scale patch (Fig. 19).....*perexiguus*
 Postspiracular area without pale scale patch (Fig.20)*quinquefasciatus*

4(1). Wing with pale spots on at least 2 areas of costa and
 1 area of other veins (Fig. 21).....Mimeticus Subgroup
 Wing without distinct pale spots..... 5

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- Fig.17 - abdominal terga with basal pale band
- Fig.18 - pleuron without dark and pale stripes
- Fig.19 - postspiracular area with pale scales
- Fig.20 - postspiracular area without pale scales
- Fig.21 - wing with pale spots

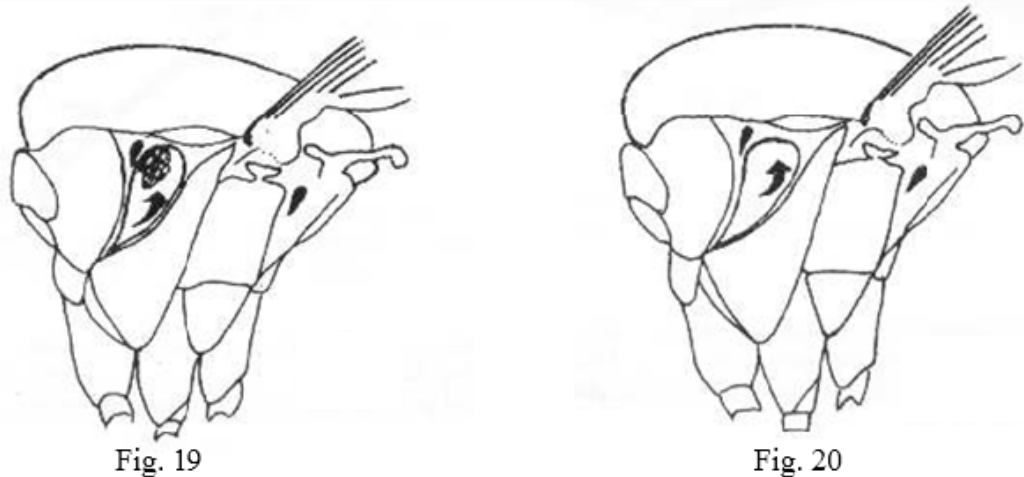
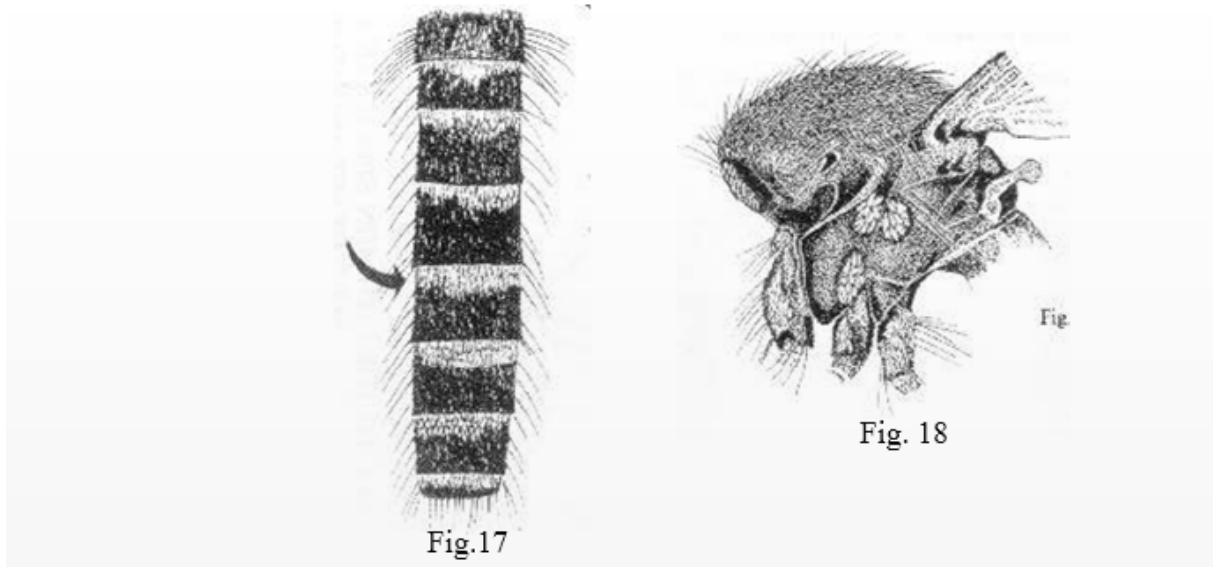


Fig. 21

5(4). Abdominal terga II- VIII largely yellowish or golden; pale yellow scales on apical portions of wing veins C, R1, R2, R3, and R4+5, forming apical pale area (Figs. 22, 23).....*epidesmus*

Abdominal terga II- VIII with dark and pale bands, or completely dark; wing tip without definite pale area.....6

6(5). Wing heavily / moderately speckled with pale scale; abdominal terga II-VI with apical bands and/or apicolateral pale patches and basal pale bands..... 7
 Wing without speckling of pale scales; abdominal terga II-VI with basal pale bands.....8

7(6). Abdominal terga II-VII with evenly broad apical pale bands and without apicolateral pale patches; femora, tibiae, and wings heavily speckled with pale scales (Figs. 24, 25).....*bitaeniorhynchus*

Abdominal terga II-IV largely dark, or with narrow apical bands, apicolateral yellowish patches, and median basal pale bands or spots; terga V-VII with apical and basal bands, basal bands narrower; legs and wings lightly or moderately speckled (Fig. 26).....*infula*

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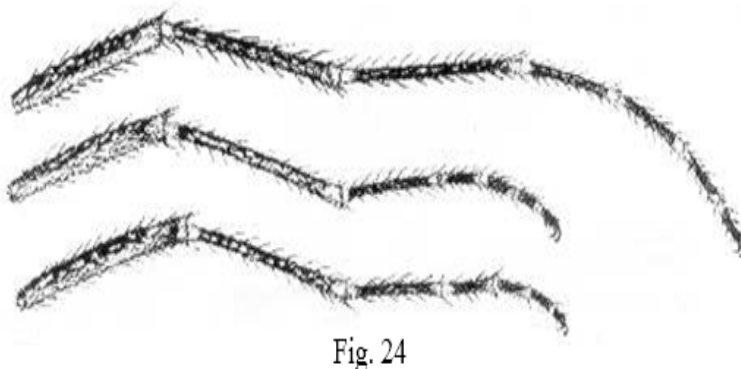
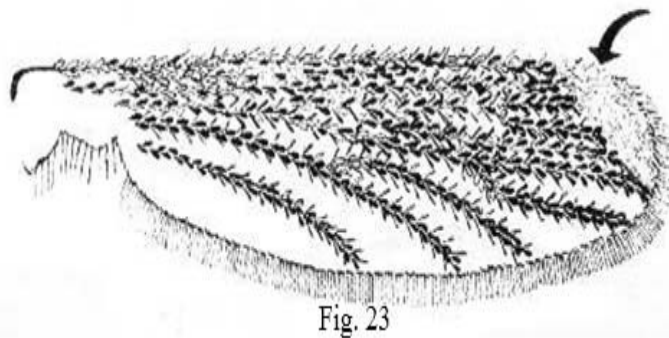
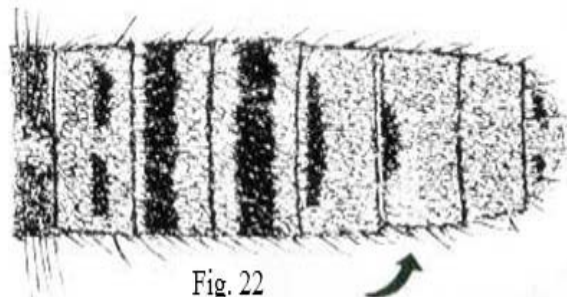
Fig.22 - abdomen terga II-VIII with yellowish scales

Fig. 23 - apical portion of wing with pale area

Fig.24 - legs with speckling

Fig.25 - abdomen terga II-VII broad apical band

Fig.26 - abdomen terga II-IV largely dark with narrow apical bands



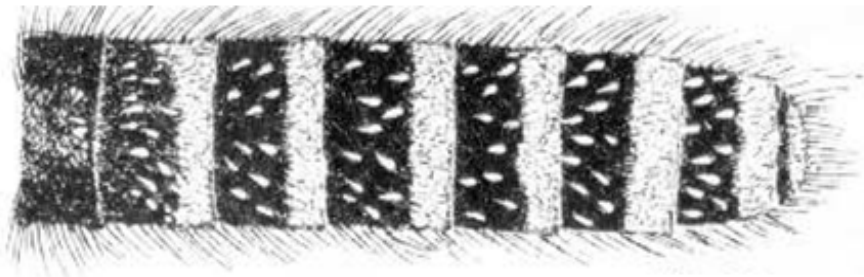


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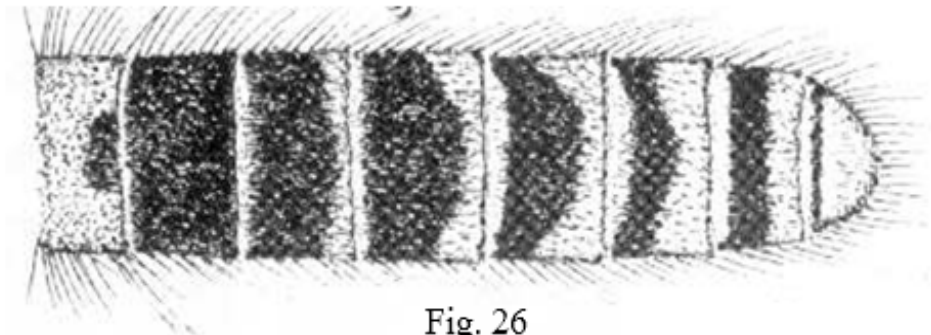


Fig. 26

- 8(6). Anterior 0.7 of scutum covered with pure white scales.....9
 Anterior 0.7 of scutum covered with beige, yellow, golden or dark scales..... 10
- 9(8). Anterior surface of fore-and midfemora without speckling of pale scales; scales on prescutellar space, behind wing base, and on scutellum entirely dark; pale band on proboscis narrow, less than length of basal dark area (Figs. 27-29).....*gelidus*
- Anterior surface of fore-and midfemora speckled with pale scales; scales on prescutellar space, behind wing base, and on scutellum mainly pale; pale band on proboscis broad, as long as or longer than basal dark area (Figs. 30-32).....*whitmorei*
- 10(8). Anterior surface of fore and midfemora speckled with several pale scales, at least on apicodorsal surface.....11
 Anterior surface of fore and midfemora entirely dark.....12

Legends to the Figures (27 - 32)

- Fig.27 - legs without speckling
 Fig.28 - scutellum entirely dark
 Fig.29 - proboscis with narrow pale band
 Fig.30 - legs with speckling
 Fig.31 - scutellum mainly pale
 Fig.32 - proboscis with broad pale band



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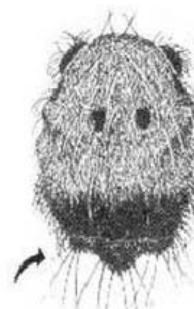


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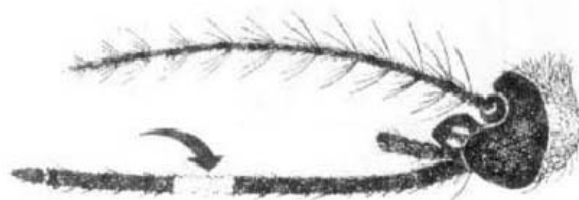


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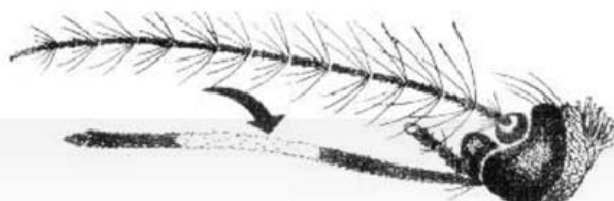


Fig. 32



Fig. 31

11(10). Wing scales mainly dark; scutal integument dark; speckling of pale scales on femora contrasting sharply with dark-scaled area (Fig. 33).....*sitiens*

Wing with few to several scattered pale scales; scutal integument light brown; anterior surface of hindfemur with pale stripe not contrasting with dark-scaled area (Fig. 34).....*vishnui*

12(10). Proboscis usually with accessory pale patches or stripe on ventral surface: hindfemur pale with an apical dark ring (Figs. 35, 36); erect scales on vertex all dark.....*tritaeniorhynchus*

Prescutellar area entirely covered with pale scales; hindfemur with pale stripe on anterior surface contrasting well with dark areas (Figs. 37, 38).....*pseudovishnui*

Legends to the Figures (33 - 38)

- Fig.33 - legs with speckling
- Fig.34 - hindfemur not contrasting with dark scales
- Fig.35 - proboscis with accessory pale patches
- Fig.36 - hindfemur with apical dark ring
- Fig.37 - prescutellar area with pale scales
- Fig.38 - hindfemur well contrasting with dark scales



Fig. 33



Fig. 34

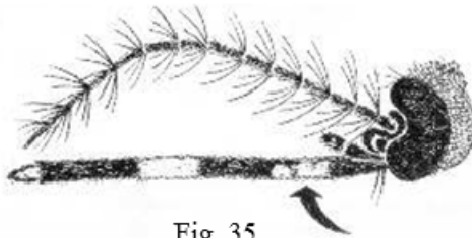


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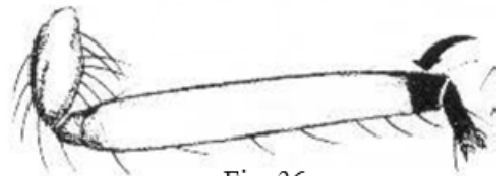


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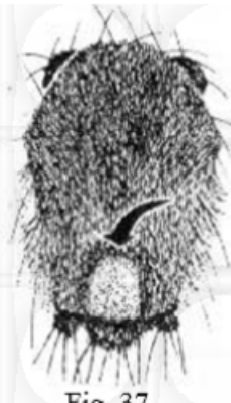


Fig. 37



Fig. 38

Wing with broad, often asymmetrical scales; dark and pale scale intermixed (Fig. 39)..... *Mansonia*

1. Mesonotum marked with distinct round spots of white scales..... 2

Mesonotum not so (though there may be small indefinite white spots or patches) 3

2(1). Yellowish-brown; mesonotum marked with 4 (or more) distinct round white spots; rather broad white scales on mid-lobe of scutellum (Fig. 40)..... *annulifera*

Brownish-black; mesonotum marked with 2 (or 3) round white spots; scales on mid-lobe of scutellum narrow (Fig. 41)..... *longipalpis*

3(1). Mesonotum marked with a pair of sublateral greenish stripes on a brown ground (Fig. 42)..... *uniformis*

Mesonotum dark brown, not marked with greenish stripes; some white scales, tending to form indistinct spots or patches, in some specimens (Fig. 43)..... *indiana*

Legends to the Figures (39 - 43)

- Fig.39 - wing with asymmetrical scales
- Fig.40 - mesonotum with 4 round white spots
- Fig.41 - mesonotum with 2 round white spots
- Fig.42 - mesonotum with sublateral greenish stripes
- Fig.43 - mesonotum without greenish stripes

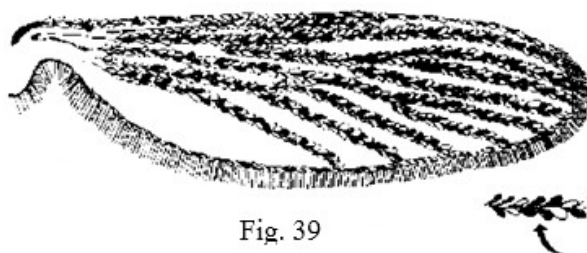


Fig. 39



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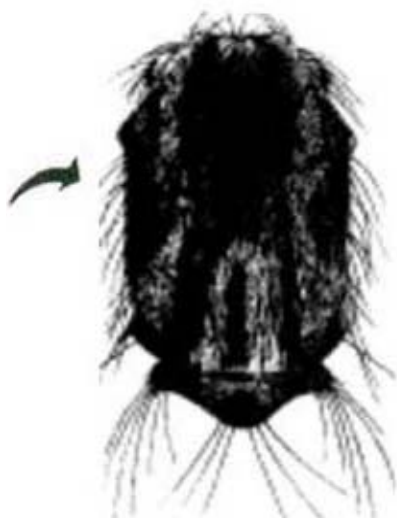


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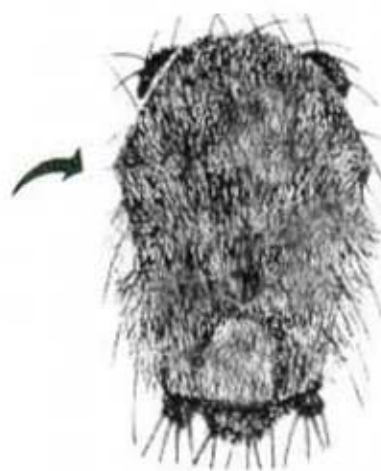


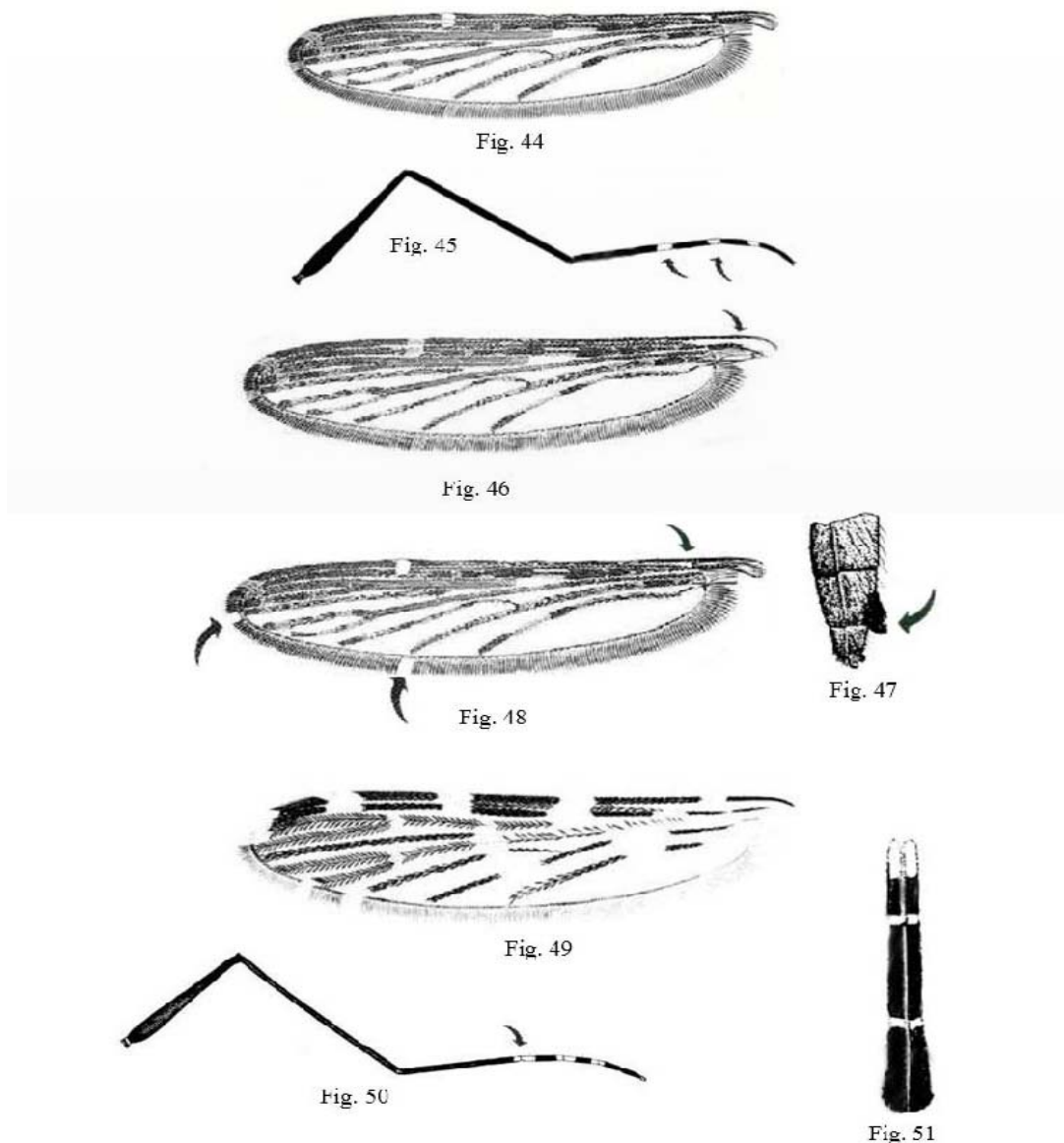
Fig. 43

- 1. Wings with less than three dark spots on costa, which also involve vein 1 (Fig. 44)..... (Subgenus *Anopheles*)
- 1a. Hind tarsomeres with broad apical pale bands; wing humeral cross vein without dark scales; remigium mostly pale scaled (Figs. 45, 46) *peditaeniatus*

- 1b. A prominent tuft of dark scales on ventral side of abdominal segment VII; inner quarter of costa with scattered pale scales, usually with a fringe spot at vein 5.2; wing with narrow lower apical fringe spot opposite to vein 3 only (Figs. 47, 48)..... *barbirostris*
- 2. Wings with 4 (or) more dark spots on costa which also involve vein 1 (Fig. 49)..... (Subgenus *Cellia*)
- 2a. Femur and tibia not speckled; hind tarsomere 5 not white; fore tarsi with broad pale bands; palpi with subapical dark band equal to the apical pale band (Figs. 50, 51)..... *subpictus*

Legends to the Figures (44 - 51)

- Fig.44 - wings with less than three dark spots
- Fig.45 - hind tarsomere with broad apical pale bands
- Fig.46 - remigium with pale scales
- Fig.47 - abdomen segment VII with tuft
- Fig.48- wing with fringe spot at vein 3 and 5.2
- Fig.49 - wings with four or more dark spots
- Fig.50 - fore tarsi with broad pale bands
- Fig.51 - palpi with subapical dark band equal to apical pale band



4.5 Key to Vectors of Dengue / Chikungunya

- 1. Post spiracular setae present; proboscis slender and usually straight *Aedes*
- 1a. Mesonotum marked with a pair of lateral curved white lines, and usually also with a pair of submedian yellowish lines; tibiae without white rings; two dots of white scales on clypeus (Fig. 52)..... *aegypti*
- 1b. Mesonotum with a narrow median silvery white line; white scales on pleurae arranged in irregular patches; tibiae without white rings; abdomen with silvery basal bands on dorsum (Fig. 53)..... *albopictus*
- 1c. Mesonotum marked with 4-6 small white spots; all tibiae with white rings (Fig. 54)..... *vittatus*

Legends to the Figures (52 - 54)

Fig.52 - mesonotum marked with a pair of lateral curved white lines

Fig.53 - mesonotum with narrow median silvery white line

Fig.54 - mesonotum marked with 4-6 white spots

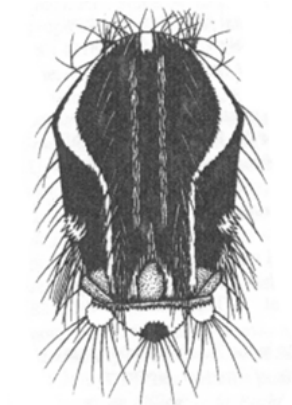


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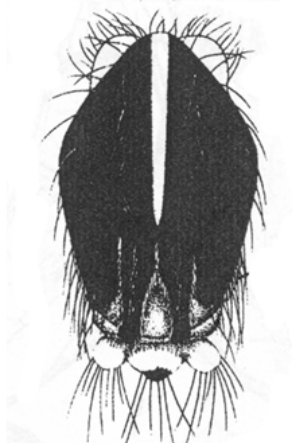


Fig. 53



Fig. 54

4.6 Key to Vectors of Lymphatic Filariasis

- 1. Lower mesepimeral setae absent or 1, 2 weak ones; pleuron with distinct pale patches on at least upper and lower mesokatepisternum and anterior mesepimeron Subgenus *Culex*
- 1a. Proboscis and tarsi without pale rings; pleuron without striking pattern of dark and pale stripes; abdominal terga with basal pale bands; (Figs. 55-57)..... *quinquefasciatus*
- 2. Wing with broad, often asymmetrical scales; dark and pale scale intermixed (Fig. 58)..... *Mansonia*
- 2a. Mesonotum marked with a pair of sublateral greenish stripes on a brown ground (Fig. 59)..... *uniformis*
- 2b. Yellowish-brown; mesonotum marked with 4 (or more) distinct round white spots; rather broad white scales on mid-lobe of scutellum (Fig. 60)..... *annulifera*

Legends to the Figures (55 - 60)

- Fig.55 - proboscis without pale ring
- Fig.56 -pleuron without striking pattern of dark and pale stripes
- Fig.57 - abdominal terga with basal pale band
- Fig.58 - wing with asymmetrical scales
- Fig.59 - mesonotum with sublateral greenish stripes
- Fig.60 - mesonotum with four round white spots

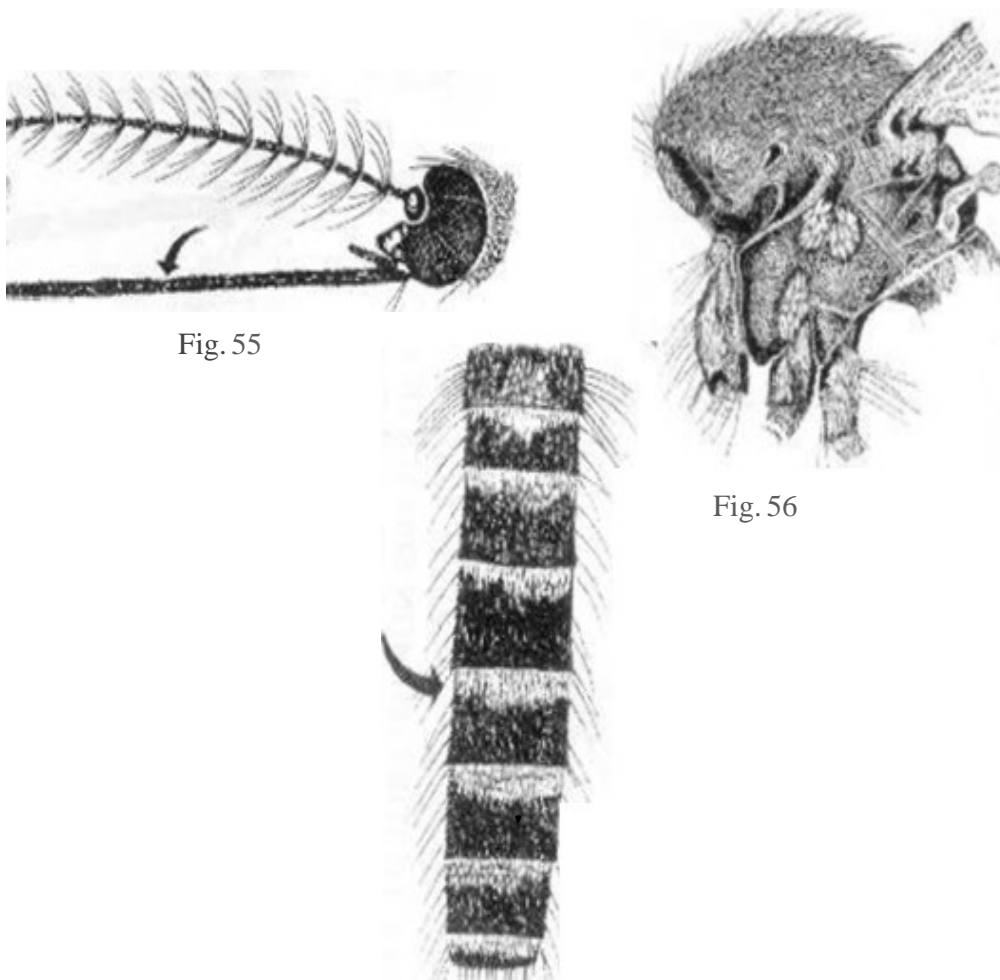


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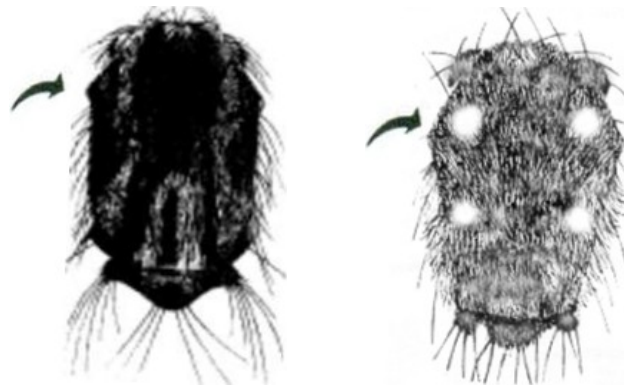


Fig. 60

Diurnally subperiodic filariasis vector in Andaman & Nicobar islands

- 1. Postspiracular setae present; proboscis slender and usually straight, never laterally compressed (Fig. 61)..... Aedes
- 1a. Mesonotum with a large snowy white patch in front; wing scales all dark; tarsi entirely dark (Figs. 62, 63)..... *nivea**

* *Downsiomyia nivea* (=Aedes (Finlaya) niveus)

Legends to the Figures (61 - 63)

- Fig.61 - proboscis slender and straight
- Fig.62 - mesonotum with snowy white patch
- Fig.63 - tarsi entirely dark

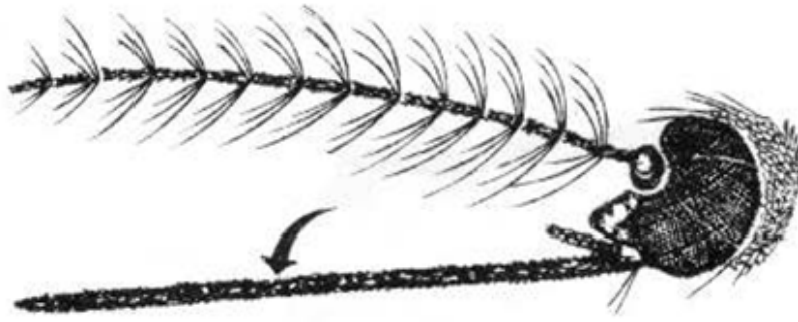


Fig. 61



Fig. 62



Fig. 63

4.7 Key to Vectors of Malaria

Wings with 4 or more dark spots on costa (Fig.64).....	(Subgenus Cella)
1. Femur and tibia speckled (Fig. 65).....	2
Femur and tibia not speckled (Fig. 66)	7
2(1). Hind tarsomere 5 not white (Fig. 66)	3
Hind tarsomere 5 white (Fig. 67)	6
3(2). Palpi with three pale bands (Fig. 68).....	4
Palpi with four pale bands (Fig. 69).....	5

Legends to the Figures (64 - 69)

- Fig.64 - wings with 4 or more dark spots on costa
- Fig.65 - femur and tibia speckled
- Fig.66 - femur and tibia not speckled
- Fig.67 - Hind tarsomere 5 white
- Fig.68 - palpi with 3 pale bands
- Fig.69 - palpi with 4 pale bands

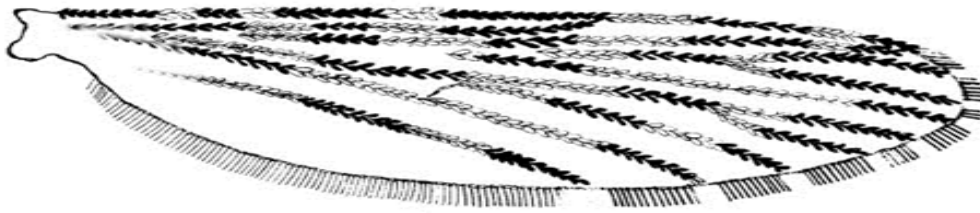


Fig.64



Fig. 65



Fig. 66



Fig. 67



Fig. 68



Fig. 69

4(3). Apical and subapical pale bands of palpi equal; palpi speckled (Fig. 70)..... *stephensi*

Apical and subapical pale bands of palpi unequal; palpi not speckled (Fig. 71)..... *sundaicus*

5(3). Hind leg with a broad white band at the tibio-tarsal joint; presector dark mark on vein 1 without any pale interruption; apical pale band on hind tibia with a longitudinal basal dark stripe on ventral aspect (Figs. 72, 73)..... *baimaii(=dirus D)*

Hind leg with a broad white band at the tibio-tarsal joint; presector dark mark on vein 1 with one or more pale interruption; apical pale band on hind tibia without a ventral dark stripe (Figs. 74, 75).....*elegans*

Legends to the Figures (70 - 75)

- Fig.70 - palpi with speckling
- Fig.71 - palpi without speckling
- Fig.72 - hindleg with broad white band at tibio-tarsal joint
- Fig.73 - presector dark mark on vein 1 without pale interruption
- Fig.74 - hind tibia without ventral dark stripe
- Fig.75 - presector dark mark on vein 1 with pale interruption



Fig. 70



Fig. 71

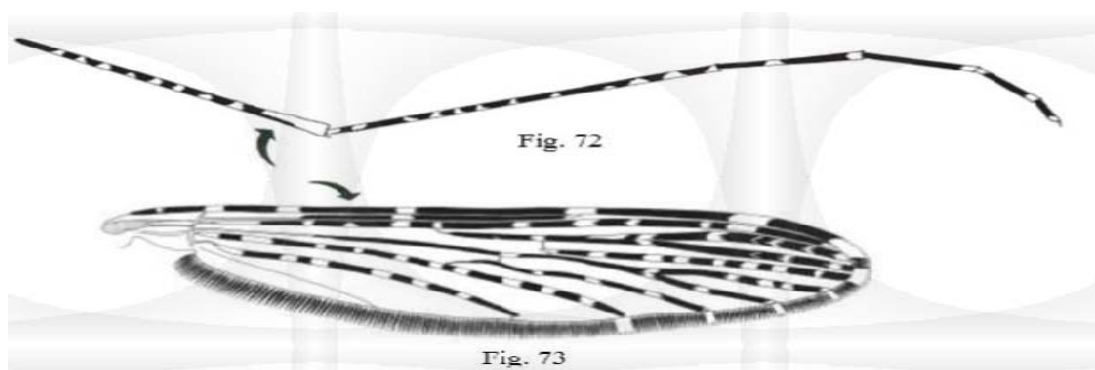


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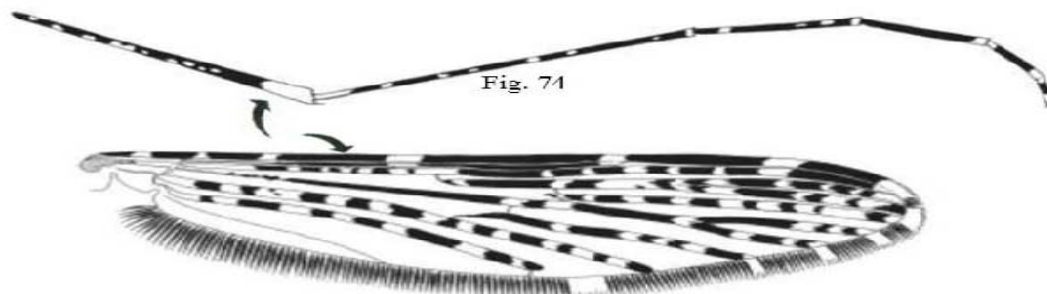


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Fig. 75

- 6(2). Abdominal terga II-VIII shiny, with no pale scales (Fig. 76).....*pseudowillmori*
- Abdominal terga IV-VIII with a few pale scales (Fig. 77)..... *maculatus*
- 7(1). Hind tarsomere 5,4 and 3 completely white; apex of hind tarsomere 1 usually with white band; wing vein 5 mainly white, no dark spot at the point of bifurcation (Figs. 78, 79).....*philippinensis*
- Hind tarsomere not white; fore tarsi with narrow pale bands (Fig. 80).....8

Legends to the Figures (76 - 80)

- Fig.76 - abdominal terga II - VIII without pale scales
- Fig.77 - abdominal terga IV - VIII with few pale scales
- Fig.78 - hind tarsomere 1 with white band

Fig.79 - wing vein 5 white no dark spot at the point of bifurcation

Fig.80 - fore tarsi with narrow pale band



Fig. 76



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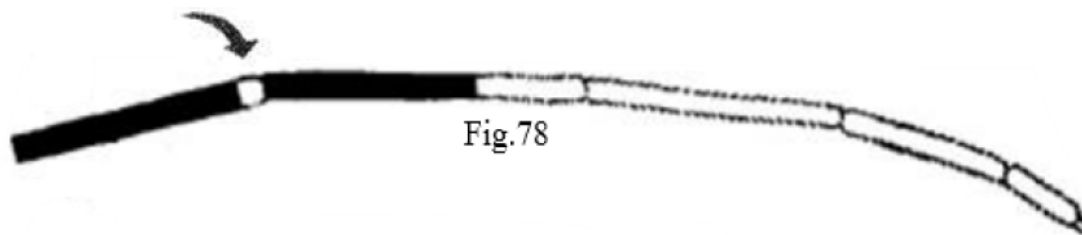


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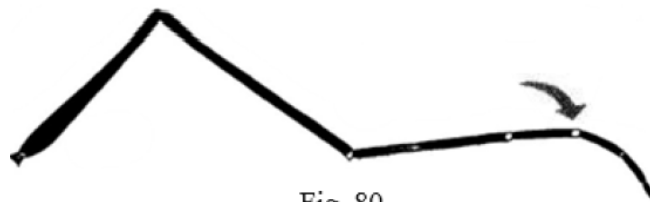


Fig. 80

8(7). Wing vein 3 mainly dark; inner quarter costa usually with pale interruption (Fig. 81)..... *culicifacies*
 Wing vein 3 mainly white (Fig. 82)..... 9

9(8). Female palpi with both apical and subapical pale bands as broad as or broader than subapical dark band; basal third of costa with white interruption; fore tarsomere 1-4 with very small dorso-apical pale patches (Figs. 82-84)..... *minimus*

Female palpi with subapical pale band, narrow and subapical dark band much broader; vein 6 with two dark spots, distal half mainly dark; hind tarsomeres uniformly dark (Figs. 85-87)..... *fluviatilis*

Legends to the Figures (81 - 87)

Fig.81 - wing vein 3 mainly dark
 Fig.82 - wing vein 3 mainly white
 Fig.83 - palpi - apical and subapical pale bands broader than subapical dark band

Fig.84 - fore tarsomere 1-4 with very small pale patches
 Fig.85 - palpi - subapical pale band narrow and subapical dark band broader
 Fig.86 - wing vein 6 with 2 dark spots
 Fig.87 - hind tarsomere uniformly dark



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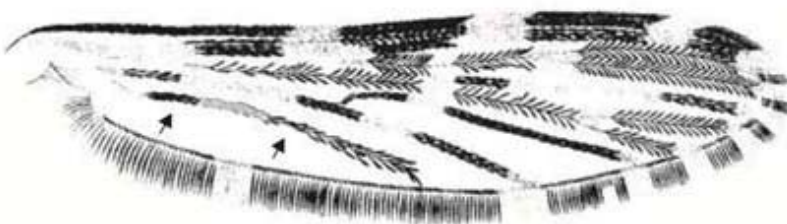


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