

LINDENBERGIA INDICA (SCROPHULARIACEAE), A NEW RECORD FROM IRAN

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Lindenbergia indica, collected in Balouchestan is reported as a new record to Iran.

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گزارش *Lindenbergia indica* به عنوان گونه جدید برای ایران

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گونه *Lindenbergia indica* جزو نمونه‌های موجود در هرباریوم "ایران" که از بلوچستان جمع‌آوری گردیده به عنوان گونه جدید برای فلور ایران گزارش می‌شود.

Lindenbergia indica (L.) Vatke

Balouchestan: Polan, Dashtiari, 18. 3. 1949.

Makouii, s. n. (IRAN).

Parsa (1949, p. 418) included *Lindenbergia utricifolia* Lehm., a synonym of *L. indica* in Flore de l'Iran, giving the locality "S-E: Baluchistan". This record obviously has been taken from Flora Orientalis (Boissier 1879, p. 425). Rechinger (1981), also included this record in Flora Iranica, but from Baluchistan of Pakistan (Baluchistan, Stocks). Therefore, the above mentioned specimen should be the first gathering from Iran.

Lindenbergia indica extends in S. Asia from Afghanistan and S. E. Iran through Pakistan and India to China. The closest locality to the Iranian gathering is in S. Pakistan.

A short morphological characters of this species are as follows. A bushy leafy woody-based herb, glandularly villous. Stems up to 50 cm long, branched. Leaves ovate, obtuse or acute, crenate-serrate in margins, rounded or truncate at the base. Flowers in lax leafy slender spikes or racemes. Calyx ± 6 mm long, sparsely hairy; lobes short, triangular, acute. Corolla violet, 2-3 times as long as the calyx. Capsule pubescent.

References

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Rechinger, K. H. 1981: Flora Iranica, no. 147. -Graz.



Fig. 1. *Lindenbergia indica* (x 0.5); flower (x 2).