

NEW RECORD

NEW RECORDS OF PLANT PARASITIC NEMATODES FROM KERALA

A survey of rice, vegetables, banana and peppervine crops was conducted during 1977-1979 under the auspices of the All India Co-ordinated Research Project on nematode pests of crops and their control to ascertain the nematode pests associated with these crops in Kerala State. The new records of nematodes are furnished in Table 1.

Merlntus brevidens was found associated with rice and banana in the three district of Trivandrum, Quilon and Alleppey. Rao (1979) reviewed work on the nematodes associated with rice in India, but had not recorded *M. brevidens* on rice. *Scutellonema brachyurvm*, *Helicotylenchus serenus* and *H. paradihysterooides* were recorded for the first time on vegetables from Kerala state. Siddiqui (1964) had recorded *S. brachyurum* on *Tuja plecta* in U. P. India. *H. serenus* has been reported by Nirula and Bassi (1963) from potato soil and by Sethi and Swarup (1969) around soil of temperate fruit trees in Himachal Pradesh. Darkar and Khan (1978) reported *H. paradihysterooides* in sugarcane soil from Maharashtra and this is the second report of this nematode from the country. The nematode associated with pepper have been reported by Sundararaju *et al.* (1979). They have recorded only *Helicotylenchus erythrinae*, *H. trivandranus* and *H. dihystra* on pepper in the country and reported *Hoplolaimus colombus* and *H. seinhorstei* occurring on pepper only from outside India. The same authors reported associations of *Xiphinema elongatum*, *X. radicolola* and *X. vulgare* on pepper only from outside India.

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Table—I

New records of Plant Parasitic nematodes from Kerala

Location	District	Crop Soil	Nematodes recorded	Taxonomic position	No./100 ml soil	Remarks
Rice Research Station, Moncompu Model Agro-nomic Research Station, Karamana Kundara (Private holding)	Alleppey Trivandrum Quilon	Rice Rice Banana	<i>Merlinius brevidens</i> , Siddiqui, 1970 " " " " " "	Merlininae, Dolichodoridae Tylenchida	128 56 151	First record on rice from the Country and Kerala New record on Banana from the country;
Karamana (private holding)	Trivandrum	Vegetables	<i>Xiphinema elongatum</i> S, Stekoven & Teunissen, 1938	Xiphineminae Longidoridae Dorylaimida	14	First and new report from Kerala
Agri. College Campus, Vellayani	Trivandrum	"	<i>Scutellonema brachyurum</i> , Andrassy, 1958 <i>Helicotylenchus seremus</i> , Siddiqui 1963 <i>H. paradihysteroides</i> Darekar & Khan, 1978	Hoplolaiminae Hoplolaimidae Tylenchida	122 39 47	First and new record from Kerala
Koorachundu	Kozhikode	Black Pepper	<i>H. digonicus</i> , Perry 1959 <i>Hoplolaimus seinhorstei</i> Luc. 1958	" "	68 11	First report on pepper from the Country
Chemparaka	Kottayam	"	<i>Xiphinema radicolica</i> Goodey, 1936 <i>X. americanum</i> Cobb, 1913	Xiphinemi nae Longidoridae Dorylaimida	21 9	

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