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Short Communication

New Records for Gujarat State from Dharampur forests of Valsad District in South Gujart

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B otanically rich Valsad district is now well explored by various workers. During the course of botanical exploration in Dharampur Forest of Valsad District. During 2004-2005 we collected some plants which are not recorded in Flora of Gujarat state. (G. L.Shah 1978).

Valsad district is situated at 72-50' E 20-35' N in the Southern part of Gujarat. The herbarium specimens are deposited in the Department of Biology, B.K.M. Science College, Valsad, South Gujarat University, Surat, Gujarat.

A brief description supported by illustration and photographs of the two plants is attached.

Typhonium bulbiferum

Asystasia chelonoides.

Typhonium bulbiferum Dalz. In Hook. Kew J. Bot. 4:



113.1852.(Aroidae). A tuberous herb. Leaves triangular sagitate or cordate, bulbiferous at the apex of the petiole. Spadix as long as spathe, yellow, slender, rose

coloured.

Status and distribution in the area:

Rare but locally abundant at Sidumbar on hill slopes during monsoon.

Flowers: June-July and Fruits: August.

Asystasia chelonoides. Nees in well. Asiat rar. 3:89:1832,



(Acanthaceae)

Usually subscandent undershrubs. Leaves glabrescent on both side, Flowers purple, violet to pink in second lax racemes, capsule. Clavate oblong, pointed, upper half constricted between seeds.

Status and distribution in the area:

Occasional, noted on the hill slopes and along road sides at Dhamni and

Mankadbandh.

Flowers and Fruits: July-October.

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