

Short communication

***Cantacader subovatus* (Motschulsky, 1863) (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Cantacaderidae)
and *Dictyonota opaca* (Linnavuori, 1965) (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Tingidae):
first records from Pakistan**

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Abstract: *Cantacader subovatus* (Motschulsky, 1863) (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Cantacaderidae) and *Dictyonota opaca* Linnavuori, 1965 (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Tingidae) are reported for the first time from Pakistan. *C. subovatus* is the first genus and species of the family Cantacaderidae known from this country, whereas the record of *D. opaca* increases the number of Tingidae species reported from Pakistan to eight.

Key words: Tingoidea, Cantacaderidae, Tingidae, *Cantacader subovatus*, *Dictyonota opaca*, first country record, Pakistan.

Our knowledge of the lace bugs (Hemiptera: Heteroptera: Tingoidea) fauna in Pakistan is still far from satisfactory. Only seven species representing five genera of the family Tingidae have been recorded in Pakistan so far, i.e. *Dictyonota pakistana* Drake & Maldonado, 1959, *Dictyla eudia* Drake & Quadri, 1964, *Eteoneus sigillatus* Drake & Poor, 1936, *Monosteira alticarinata* Ghauri, 1965, *M. karachiensis* Hamid, 1973, *Physatocheila chatterjeei* Drake & Poor, 1936, and *P. lenis* Drake & Poor, 1939 (Guilbert 2018; Froeschner 2001).

The present note reports the first Pakistanese records for *Cantacader subovatus* (Motschulsky, 1863) and *Dictyonota opaca* (Linnavuori, 1965), the first species of the family Cantacaderidae and the eighth species of the family Tingidae in that country, respectively.

These records increase the number of Tingoidea genera reported from Pakistan to six, with a total of nine species. All specimens are housed in the collection of the second author.

***Cantacader subovatus* (Motschulsky, 1863)
(Tingoidea: Cantacaderidae)**

(Fig. 1)

Material examined: PAKISTAN: 2 exx., Sindh Province, Tando Muhammad Khan District, Sheikh Bhirkio village, 25.vi.2017 to 11.viii.2017, at light trap.



Fig. 1. *Cantacader subovatus* (Motschulsky, 1863), the specimen from Pakistan (photo by Z. Ahmed).

A very common Oriental species, known from many localities in India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan, Thailand and China (Lis B. 2003). **First record from Pakistan.**

***Dictyonota opaca* (Linnavuori, 1965)**

(Tingoidea: Tingidae)

(Fig. 2)

Material examined: PAKISTAN: 1 ex., Sindh Province, Tando Muhammad Khan District, Sheikh Bhirkio village, 25.vi.2017 to 11.viii.2017, at light trap.

Palearctic species known hitherto from Algeria, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Turkmenistan, and Yemen (Péricart & Golub 1996; Carapezza 2002). **First record from Pakistan.**



Fig. 2. *Dictyonota opaca* (Linnavuori, 1965), the specimen from Pakistan (photo by Z. Ahmed).

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