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FORAGING PLANTS ASSOCIATED WITH HONEY BEE (*APIS CERANA*) IN CHAMPHAI DISTRICT, MIZORAM, NORTHEAST INDIA

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ABSTRACT: A study of bee foraging plants was made in Champhai district, Mizoram state, Northeast India. Bees are the most important pollinator taxon, therefore understanding the scale at which they forage has important ecological implication and conservation applications. The foraging ranges for most bee species are unknown. After the survey a total of 25 families were identified from 56 species. Conservation of bee foraging plants is important for maintaining honey bees.

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