long, linear, simple hairy, caducous. *Calyx c.* 5 mm long, lobes *c.* 5 × 2 mm, ovate, acute, outside with minute stellate and simple hairs, glabrous inside. *Corolla* bluish-white ; petals 3-7 × 2-3 mm, obovate, glabrous or with few simple hairs. *Staminal column c.* 3 mm long, glabrous. *Schizocarp* 5-8 mm across ; mericarps 10, reniform from aside, trigonous with sharp angles, two margins on the back keeled, dorsally prominently reticulately veined, laterally prominently radially veined, glabrous. *Seeds* 1.5-2.0 mm across, reniform, glabrous, brownish-black.

Fls. & frts. : December-February.

Distribution : India : Rajasthan ; Pakistan, Malesia.

Specimen examined : INDIA : Rajasthan : Bilara (Jodhpur), 22.2.77, *Singh* 3501 (CAL) ; Khejari (Bailusra), 7.2.79, *Singh* 7027 (CAL).

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LINDSAEA CHIENII CHING : A FERN NEW TO INDIA

Recently, a specialised botanical exploration exclusively for Pteridophytes was undertaken in Manipur State in N. E. India during the month of August 1984. While studying the collections, a few interesting specimens of the genus *Lindsaea* Dryand. ex Smith were scrutinised in detail and identified as *L. chienii* Ching with the help of literature and by comparison with herbarium specimens from Burma and other countries housed in CAL herbarium. *L. chienii* was earlier known to occur only in China, Japan, Taiwan, Indo-China and Thailand. Recently, Dixit and Ghosh (1982) reported its occurrence for the first time from Burma and provided detailed description and illustrations. Based on the recent collection from Manipur in the year 1984, the species is reported here as a new record for India. Since detailed description and illustrations are already given by Dixit and Ghosh (l.c.), only the specimens are cited in the present note. This species is an addition to the twenty two taxa of the genus already recorded from India (cf. Dixit & Ghosh, 1982, 1983).

Lindsaea chienii Ching in Sinensia 1 : 4. 1929 ; Dixit & Ghosh in Bull. Bot. Surv. India 24 : 168, ff. 1-12. 1982.

Specimens examined : MANIPUR : Forest Road to Dilong, alt. 1400 m, 8.8.1984, *Ghosh* 16439, three specimens (CAL).

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