TWO NEW NAMES IN *AGLAIA* LOUR. (MELIACEAE)

With the merger of type species of the genus *Amoora, A. cucullata* Roxb. with the genus *Aglaia* Lour. [Pennington T. D. & B. T. Styles in *Blumea* 22(3): 481, 82. 1975], the genus *Amoora* Roxb. becomes congeneric with *Aglaia* Lour. This situation will necessitate name changes for all the species of the genus *Amoora* which work is best left to a monographer. However, new names are urgently required for the following two economically important species occurring in India and covered in *Wealth of India,* 1: 69. 1948.

1. **Amoora wallichii** King

While describing a Burmese plant Hiern thought it was the same as *Amoora spectabilis* Miq. and adopted that name. King (in *J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal* 46(2): 56 & 57, 1895) found out this inaccuracy and gave a new name, *Amoora wallichii,* to the Burmese plant. The specific epithet *wallichii* can not be retained on transfer to *Aglaia* since it will become a later homonym of *Aglaia wallichii* Hiern (*Fl. Brit. India* 1: 555. 1875). Since no other legitimate epithet is available, a new name *Aglaia hiernii* is proposed in honour of W. P. Hiern who has authored the family Meliaceae in the *Flora of British India* 1: 540-569. 1875.

Aglaia hiernii Viswanathan & Ramachandran *nom. nov., Amoora wallichii* King in *J. Asiat. Soc. Bengal* 46(2): 56 & 57. 1895, non *Aglaia wallichii* Hiern in Hook. f, *Fl. Brit. India* 1: 555. 1875. *Amoora spectabilis sensu* Hiern in Hook. f. *Fl. Brit. India* 1: 561. 1875, non Miquel.

2. **Amoora canarana** (Turcz.) Hiern

The existence of a nearly identical and orthographic variant epithet under *Aglaia,* viz. *Aglaia canarensis* Gamble (in *Kew Bull.* 1915: 347. 1915) obstructs the transfer of *Amoora canarana* to *Aglaia.* Therefore, in the absence of an alternate epithet under *Aglaia,* a new name *Aglaia jainii* is proposed honouring Dr. S. K. Jain an eminent taxonomist and environmentalist and presently Director of the Botanical Survey of India, Howrah.

Aglaia jainii Viswanathan & Ramachandran, *nom. nov. Oraoma canarana* Turcz. in *Bull. Soc. Nat. Mosc.* 1: 411. 1858, non *Aglaia canarensis* Gamble in *Kew Bull.* 1915: 347. 1915. *Amoora canarana* (Turcz.) Heirn in *Fl. Brit. India* 1: 560. 1875.

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