

**CAMPYLOTES SPLENDIDA ELWES, 1890 (LEPIDOPTERA:
ZYGAENIDAE) – FIRST DOCUMENTATION FROM ARUNACHAL
PRADESH, INDIA**

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INTRODUCTION

The species *Campylotes splendida* Elwes, 1890 was described from the Naga Hills. In the original description, Elwes (1890) noted that Charles Oberthur informed him that a similar moth occurred in Yunnan, China. The size of this species is much greater than that of other *Campylotes* species known from India (Hampson, 1892).

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The current record is from an opportunistic survey conducted at Vijaynagar, Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh on September 21, 2023. The authors observed two individuals of the species and photographed them while the moths were basking in the sun. The habitat, where the individuals were sighted consists of riparian fringing habitat located

at coordinates 27°11'26"N and 96°59'37"E.

This is a new record for Arunachal Pradesh and extends the known distribution of the species northwards.

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Legends to Figures



Fig 1: *Campylotes splendida*, recorded in this study.



Fig 2: Habitat of *Campylotes splendida*, where the species was sighted.