

What is Peucetia chhaparajnirvin?

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About Peucetia chhaparajnirvin:

- It is a **new species of green lynx spider**.
- The spider was found in **Tal Chhapar Wildlife Sanctuary** in Churu district of **Rajasthan**.
- The spider species has been named Peucetia chhaparajnirvin after the area in Rajasthan, Tal Chhapar, where it was discovered.
- This spider is found on the **green leaves of** the Vachellia nilotica (**babul**) **tree**.
- Their **green hue aids in blending with their surroundings** and ambushing prey, while their **long legs** allow them to **move quickly**.
- This spider is **nocturnal** and **feeds on small insects**.

What are Lynx Spiders?

- Lynx spiders, (family Oxyopidae) are any of several groups of **active spiders** (order Araneida) that **do not build a nest or web** but **capture their prey by pouncing upon them**.

- They are among the **major predators of insects** occurring in **low shrubs and herbaceous vegetation**.
 - The **eyes are arranged in a hexagon**, and the abdomen usually tapers to a point.
 - Many Lynx spider species have colorfully striped abdomens and **spiky legs**.
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Q1: What is herbaceous vegetation?

Herbaceous plants are plants that have non-woody stems, including grasses, sedges, rushes, ferns, and forbs. Forbs are broad-leaf plants often referred to as wildflowers or weeds. Annual herbaceous plants live for only one year, whereas perennials live for multiple years. Herbaceous plants, especially grasses and forbs, are valuable sources of food and cover for many wildlife species.

Source: [Amt scientist identifies newly discovered green lynx spider](#)

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