

Strobilanthes Riteshii

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Strobilanthes Riteshii Latest News

A new flowering plant species named *Strobilanthes riteshii* has been formally recorded from Arunachal Pradesh recently.

About *Strobilanthes Riteshii*

- It is a **new species of flowering plant**.
- It belongs to the family Acanthaceae.
- It was discovered during recent floristic surveys at Chayangtajo in the East Kameng district, **Arunachal Pradesh**.
- The plant is currently known only from its type locality at an elevation of around 1,600 metres.
- It **grows along roadsides on open hill slopes, often near small waterfalls and streams** within **evergreen forest patches**.
- **Flowering** has been observed between **August and October**, while **fruiting** occurs **from September to December**.

- The species has been **named** *Strobilanthes riteshii* **in honour of Dr. Ritesh Kumar Choudhary, an Indian plant taxonomist** at the Agharkar Research Institute, recognising his contributions to plant taxonomy and molecular systematics.
- Based on current information, the species has been **provisionally assessed as Data Deficient under the IUCN Red List** criteria, indicating that more field data is required to understand its population status and threats.

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