A fraction of angiosperms of Tehsil Banda Daud Shah district

Karak Pakistan

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Abstract
The Flora of Banda Daud Shah is interesting because of the presence of both hills and plains in the area. The hills in most part of the area seem to be barren but many are rich in grasses, Rhazia stricta, Dodonaea viscosa etc. The most important Agriculture crop is the wheat which is not so abundant, and mostly rain dependent. The fodder crops like Trifolium and Sorghum vulgare is also not common but Arachis hypogea is very common. The weed like Cirsium arvense, Asphodelus tenuifolius, Medicago liciniata, Papaver spp. and Silene conoidea are very common in wheat crop. Among the Xerophyts, Zizyphus spp. Calotropis procera, Acacia spp. etc, are common in the area. Total 24 monocot and 131 dicot species have been described in the area belonging to 54 families and 25 orders. The dominant families are Poaceae and Papilionaceae with 16 species, followed by Compositae with 13 species, Amaranthaceae, Cruciferae, Labiatae with 7 species each. The species and families have been arranged in the list according to Engler’s system of classification with modifications followed at Jafri’s Flora of Karachi.

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Introduction

Since very long time many attempts have been made by different workers in searching out Flora of our dear homeland, Pakistan. The work of both Pakistani and Foreign Taxonomists is fundamental approach. Different workers have worked in different parts of Pakistan even when it was part of United India. Karak and chiefly the area under discussion are mostly unexplored and very few records are found. Hooker (1872-1907) has worked on the Flora of British India. Chughtai and Yousaf (1976) have worked on the vegetation of Kohat under the Title “The Ecology of native vegetation of Kohat” NWFP. Imperial Gazetteer of India, NWFP. (1979) has also pointed out some plant species from Kohat District. Khan (1993) has worked on the Flora of Tehsil Karak. Khan (2007) has work on ethnobotany of Tehsil Karak and Khan et al., (2011), studied the ethnobotany of halophyte of Tehsil Karak.

The Banda Daud Shah is situated at 32° 47 to 32° 48 North and 70 ° 30 to 70 ° 40 East. The area is bounded by District Hangu on the North West, District Kohat on the North East, Tehsil Karak on the South, and Tribal area Adjoining Bannu District on the South West. (Fig 1) Physiography of the area is uneven and can be divided into mountainous area, the plain and the small hillocks. The soil is generally clayey or sandy. The fertile loamy soil is very rarely found. Although the hills are very dry, but it is a fact that it contains precious minerals like salt, gypsum and gas etc. The salt quarries are mostly at Jatta Ismail Khel and Bahader Khel, where the hills present great amount of exposed rocks salt. There is shortage of drinking water, so the people bring water from remote area (Figure 2). The Rainfall is scanty in the area. In the year 2002, 300 to 400 mm of rainfall per annum recorded on district level (Table 1). The area is very hot in summer and very cold in winter. In the year 2002 the mean maximum temperature was 42°C, in the month of the June, where as the mean minimum temperature was as low as 4°C, in the month of December and January, recorded on district level (Table 1) (Khan 2003). The climate and weathers are also influenced by wind. In summer the wind direction is variable. In July wind comes from Eastern side, carrying clouds and rainfall with them. In hottest months especially June. Whirl winds are developed on the plain area at after noon due to local heating and convectional uprisings. Sometimes strong, dry and hot winds with huge dust enter the area from different sides. Most of the winter season is calm but at approach of February high velocity winds blow in the area. In winter season breeze from Hangu side also blows down the area for weeks together, making the winter even colder. Due to much interest in the field of plant taxonomy the area of Tehsil Banda Daud Shah was selected, so as to evaluate and documentise its flora to same extant.

Materials and Methods

Collection of the plants

The study was conducted by frequently surveying in winter, spring and summer during 2002 to 2003. Plants species were collected, preferably in duplicate or triplicate form. They were pressed, dried, preserved and mounted on herbarium sheets for identification.

Identification

Plants were identified with the help of available literature (Stewart, 1972; Nasir and Ali, 1971 to 1995) and voucher specimens have been deposited in herbarium, Department of Botany, Government Post Graduate College Bannu, Khyber Pakhton Khawa, Pakistan.

Description and illustration

The various identified taxa were checked from useful necessary literature. Their floral and other characteristic studied, using lenses etc. The description and illustration of various taxa presented over here are in accordance with the well-authenticated literature.
Fig. 1. Map of Tehsil Banda Daud Shah.

Table 1. Climatic data of District Karak for the year 2002.

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Result

We have documented the 155 species belonging to 54 families and 25 orders. The dominant families are Poaceae and Papilionaceae with 16 species, followed by Compositae with 13 species, Amaranthaceae, Cruciferae, Labiatae with 7 species each. Solanaceae with 6 species, Boraginaceae with 5 species, Chenopodiaceae, Euphorbiaceae and Linaceae with 4 species, Capparidaceae, Caryophyllaceae, Convolvulaceae, Malvaceae, Polygonaceae, Umbelliferae and Zygophyllaceae with 3 species, Acanthaceae, Asclepiadaceae,
Ceasalpiniaceae, Fumariaceae, Mimosaceae, plantaginaceae, Rhamnaceae, Scrophulariaceae, Typhaceae and Verbenaceae with 2 species, Aizoaceae, Apocynaceae, Araceae, Celastraceae, Cucurbitaceae, Cyperaceae, Geraniaceae, Menispermaceae, Moraceae, Myrtaceae, Nyctaginaceae, Orobanchaceae, Oxalidaceae, Palmae, Papaveraceae, Pedaliaceae, Primulaceae, Punicaceae, Rosaceae, Salvadoraceae, Sapindaceae, Sapotaceae, Tamaricaceae, Tiliaceae and Violaceae with single species. (Table 2-3)

Key to the classes

1. Seed with one cotyledon.……………………..........................Monocotyledoneae.
1. Seed with two cotyledons..................................................................Dicotyledoneae.

Class Monocotyledoneae

Order Pandanales
Family Typhaceae
Typha  L.

Key to the Species

1: Leaves narrow .................................................. T  latifolia
1: Leaves comparatively broad.............................. T  angustata

Order  Glumiflorae
Family Gramineae

Key to the Sub-families

1: Spikelets 1-many flowered, joined above the glumes; rachilla produced beyond the fertile florets............................................................... ......Pooideae.
1: Spikelets 2 flowered, upper bisexual, lower male or neuter; jointed below the glumes; rachilla not produced beyond the upper florets..........................................................Panicoideae.

Sub- family Panicoideae.

Key to the Genera

1: Female spike very much thick. Floret unisexual............... Zea.
1: Inflorescence not so.
2: Lower glumes usually very small. Spikelets usually all fertile.
3: Spikelets not surrounded by bristles or hairs ............................ Echinochloa.
3:Spikelets surrounded by bristles or hairs.
4: Bristles united at the base.....................................................Cenchrus.
4: Bristles free at the base ............................................................ Pennisetum.
2: Lower glumes longer than the second or lemmas, spikelets usually not so.
5: Racems simpl, spike like or digitate ........................................... Dichanthium.
5: Racems in much branched panicles.
6: Racems supported by a boat shaped spathe, roots aromatic ....... Cymbopogon.
6: Racems and root not so.
7: Panicle densely silky................................................. Saccharum.
7: Panicle not silky...................................................... Sorghum.

Sub Family Pooideae

Key to the Genera
1: Flowers in digitate spikelets................................................. Cynodon.
1: Flowers not as above.
2: Flowers in loose panicles.
3: Rachilla or lemmas with long silky hairs......................... Phragmites.
3: Silky hairs absent.
4: Spikelets with 1 floret.............................. Aristida.
4: Spikelets with more than 1 floretes.
5: Spikelets closed. Lemma 3-nerved......................... Eragrostis.
5: Spikelets open. Lemma more nerved......................... Avena.
2: Inflorescence rather contracted.
6: Panicles much elongated, narrowly pyramidal and drooping at the apex.............................................................. Desmostachya.
6: Inflorescence spike of spikelets.
7: Lemma 5-nerved, spikelets 3 at each node, falling together at maturity............................................................... Hordeum.
7: Lemma 5-9-nerved, spikelets not so arranged............... Triticum.

Family Cyperaceae

Cyperus L.

Stem erect, leafy only near the base. Spikelets in globose or umbellate heads or spikes, compressed.

A Cyperus species was collected from wet places. Leaves radical. Umbils compound.

Order Principes.

Family Palmae.

Phoenix dactylifera L.

Stem unbranched, up to 30m high. Fruit one seeded berry, sweet, edible, reddish or yellowish brown.

Order Spathiflorae

Family Araceae
Arisaema  Mart.

Herbs, found in moist wood lands or stony places in the open. Leaf compound. Dioecious.

An Arisaema species was collected from Banda Dawood Shah.

Order Liliflorae
Family Liliaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Cladodes present.................................................. Asparagus.
1. Cladodes absent.
   2. Leaves large, fleshy........................................... Aloe.
   2. Leaves linear, fistular....................................... Asphodelus.

Class Dicotyledoneae

Order Urticales
Family Moraceae

Morus alba  L.

A medium sized deciduous tree. Leaves very variable in shape and size. Flowers greenish. Fruit white or nearly black when ripe.

Order Polygonales
Family Polygonaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Perianth segments 5, Stamens 5-8.............................. Polygonum.
1. Perianth segments 6, in two whorls of 3 each, Stamens 6............ Rumex.

Order Centrospermae

Key to the Families

1 Inflorescence usually dense and congested spike (simple or compound).
   2. Mostly fleshy plant of saline habitat; bracts not scarious. Filaments free..................................................... Chenopodiaceae.
1: Inflorescence solitary, clustered, whorled or cymose.


3: Ovary 1-several celled, many ovuled on each placentum.

4: Capsule 2-many celled. Staminodes often many, petaloid; placentation usually axile. Petals o, the apparent petals in some are staminodes...........Aizoaceae.


Family Chenopodiaceae

Key to the Genera

1: Leaves sessile or subsessile, plant covered with wooly hairs .......Kochia.

1: Leaves comparatively large, flat, distinctly petiolate .................Chenopodium.

Chenopodium  L.

White mealy herbs. Leaves usually lobed. Flowers minute, in small clusters, collected in spiked penicles. Fruit membranous.

Key to the species

1: Leaves broad, plants nearly glabrous..............................C. murale.

1: Leaves comparatively narrow, plant more or less mealy..............C. album.

Family Amaranthaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Leaves alternate.

2. Ovary 2-many ovulate...........................................Celosia

2. Ovary 1-ovulate.

3. Flower unisexual (calyx inconspicuous)............... Aamaranthus.


1. Leaves fascicled, opposite (or some time alternate).


4. Plant not densely tomentose. Leaves opposite.

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5. Anthers 2 celled at maturity.

6. Flowers all perfect, spicate .......................Achyrantes.

6. Flower clustered....................................... Pupalia.

5. Anther 1-celled at maturity....................... Alternanthera.

Family Nyctaginaceae

**Boerhaavia diffusa** L.

Perennial, prostrate or ascending, diffused herbs. Leaves in unequal pair, more or less ovate, petiolate, upper surface greenish, lower often silvery white. Flower minute, pinkish, in simple umble or cluster.

Family Aizoaceae

**Trianthema portulacastrum** L.

Syn: **T. monogyna** L.

Annual, prostrate, some what succulent lerbs. Leaves unequal, obliquely opposite. Flowers axillary, sessile, closely sheathed by the base of the petiole.

Family Caryophyllaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Calyx gamosepalous..............................................**Silene**.

1. Calyx of free sepals .................................................. **Spergula**.

Order Ranales

Family Menispermaceae

**Cocculus pendulus** (Forst) Diels.

A scandent shrub. Leaves oblong or ovate – oblong. Flowers minute, male in axillary clusters and female axillary solitary (rarely two). Drupe reddish but black when dried.

Order Rhoeadales

Key to the families

1. Flowers irregular(zygomorphic). Leaves much divided. Fruit very small...............................................................**Fumariaceae**.
1. Flowers regular (rarely zygomorphic in capparidaceae). Leaves simple or palmatly compound (some time much divided in papaveraeae) 2,sepals and petals soon falling. Stamens generally numerous in several whorls. Flowers mostly solitary terminal. (plants usually with coloured juice. Capsule usually dehiscing apically).................................................................Papaveraceae.

2. Sepals and petals usually 4, not falling soon. Stamens usually 6, rarely 4 or many, in 1-2 whorls (Fruit mostly dehiscing vertically by 2 valves).

3. Stamens characteristically 2, short and 4 inner long (tetradynamous). Fruit usually partitioned by a false septum (usually without a gynophore).................................Cruciferace.

Family Papaveraceae

A papaver species was collected as a weed of wheat crop from Terri. Leaves pinnatifid-pinnatisect. Capsule not spiny.

An other species was also collected as a weed of wheat crop from Terri. Leaves pinnatisect. Capsule spiny.

Family Fumariaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Fruit nut.................................................................Fumaria.

1. Fruit capsule..........................................................Hypecoum.

Family Capparidaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Fruit berry ...........................................................Capparis.

1. Fruit capsule .........................................................Cleome.

Capparis (Tourn) L.


Key to the Species

1. Leaves present on both young and old shoots. Flowers whitish...........C. spinosa.
1. Leaves present only on very young shoots. Flowers in corymbose racemes, red.

C. aphylla

Family Cruciferae

Key to the Genera

1. Fruit silicula.

2. Pod dehiscent ................................................................. Lepedium

2. Pod indehiscent.

3. Stem leaves undivided ..................................................... Neslia

3. Stem leaves divided ....................................................... Coronopus.

1. Fruit siliqua.

4. Fruit broad, beaked.

5. Fruit dehiscent ............................................................... Eruca

5. Fruit indehiscent ............................................................ Raphanus

4. Fruit long narrow.

6. Fruit much flattened ..................................................... Farsetia.

6. Fruit cylindrical ............................................................ Malcolmia.

Order Rosales

Key for the Families

1: Ovaries 2 or more free or fused, inferior or superior. Fruit simple or aggregate but never a legume. Stamens mostly inserted on the calyx.............................. Rosaceae.

1: Ovary 1,1-carpellary. Fruit mostly a legume. Stamens not inserted on the calyx.

2: Flowers regular, small, corolla, valvate, often united into a 4-5 lobed Cup .......... Mimosaceae.

2: Flowers usually irregular. Corolla imbricate.

3: Petals and stamens usually subequal free petals 5, posterior one innermost and largest............................................................. Caesalpiniaeae.

3: Corolla papilionaceous. The posterior petal outer most and largest.............. Papilionaceae.
A Cotoneaster species was collected from hills in Banda Dawood Shah. Leaves short stalked, oblong. Fruit scarlet.

Family Mimosaceae

Acacia Willd.

Shrubs or trees. Leaves bipinnate or phyllodial, stipules modified into spines. Flowers small, in globose heads or spikes. Pod oblong or linear, mostly compressed, many seeded.

Key to the Species

1. Flowers in globose head................................. A . nilotica.

1. Flowers in spikes.............................................A . modesta.

Family Caesalpiniaeae

Key to the Genera

1. Leaves pinnate ........................................... Cassia.

1. Leaves bipinnate............................................ Parkinsonia.

Family Papilinaceae.

Key to the Genera

1. Leaflets alternate ........................................ Dalbergia.

1. Leaflets not alternate.

2. Pod developing below the soil...........................Arachis.

2. Pod not developing below the soil.

3. Spines present.

4. Leaf rachis modified into spine .......................Astragalus.

4. Axillary shoot modified into spine.................... Alhagi.


5. Leaves pinnate.

6. Fruit inflated ..............................................Cicer.

6. Fruit not inflated.
7. Leaves simple or imparipinnate, tendrils absent.................. Indigofera.

7. Leaves pinnate tendrils present................................. Vicia.

5. Leaves trifoliate.


8. Fruit otherwise.


10. Pod very much small.

11. Inflorescence axis elongated................................. Melilotus.

11. Inflorescence axis short and head like .................. Trifolium.

10. Pod long, not so small.

12. Pod curved and sickle shape............................... Trigonella.

12. Pod not curved and sickle shape.

13. Pod subglobos ............................................. Crotalaria.

13. Pod flattened.............................................. Vigna.

Order Geraniales

Key to the Families

1. Flowers unisexual, with or without the 1-whorl of perianth. Cpsule usually with 3, 1-seeded cocci. Plant milky ................................................................. Euphorbiaceae.

1. Flowers usually bisexual with both calyx and corolla. Plant without a milky juice. Fruit not as above.

2. Leaves simple and entire. Seldom toothed or compound.

3. Sepals, petals and stamens 4-5 each................................. Linaceae.

3. Calyx and corolla usually unequal each. Stamens basically 10 .............. Polygalaceae.

2. Leaves mostly compound.

4. Plants mostly woody. Leaves mostly opposite ..................... Zygophyllaceae.

4. Plant mostly herbaceous.

5. Leaves not as above. Fruit long beaked.......................... Geraniaceae.

Family Oxalidaceae

*Oxalis corniculata* L.

Creeping or procumbent. Leaves 3-foliate. Flowers yellow, on 2-manyfied peduncle. Capsule sub cylindric, many seeded.

Family Geraniaceae

*Erodium malacoides* Willd.

Annual, stem erect or diffused, branched. Leaves ovate. Flower 3-many on a peduncle. Petals lilac. Fruit with long beak.

Family Linaceae

A Linum species was collected in vegetative condition from Banda Dawood Shah.

Family Zygophyllaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Fruit winged or spinous, some time only tuberculate. Seed non endospermic........ Tribululs.

1. Fruit neither winged nor spinous. Seed endospermic.

2. Flowers large white ............................................................... Peganum.

2. Flowers usually small, rose colour ........................................ Fagonia.

Family Polygalaceae

A Polygala species was collected from Khuram. Flowers in axillary or extra axillary, very short few-flowered racemes, white.

Family Euphorbiaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Inflorescences cyathium ...................................................... Ephorbia.

1. Inflorescences other wise ............................................... Chrozophora.

Euphorbia L.

Herbs or shrubs with milky juice. Inflorescence cyathium. Fruit capsule.
Key to the Species

1. Prostrate herb.......................................................E. prostrata.

1. Erect herb.........................................................E. helioscopia.

Order Sapindales

Key to the Families

1. Petals not appendaged. Ovary not typically 3-celled, 3-lobed.


1. Petals scale or gland appendaged. Ovary typically 3-celled and 3-lobed........Sapindaceae.

Family Celastraceae

Gymnosporia royleana Wall.

Syn: Celastrus royleana Wall.

Small tree, spiny. Leaves obovate, petiole very short, leaves thick. Fruit nearly rounded.

Family Salvadoraceae

Salvadora oleoides Decne.

Shrub or small tree. Leaves linear or ovate-lanceolate. Flowers greenish, white, sessil, about 2mm across.

Drup small yellow.

Family Sapindaceae

Dodonaea viscosa L.

An evergreen shrub, branches erect, young parts more or less viscid with a yellow resinous exudation.

Leaves alternate, simple, oblanceolate, entire. Flowers greenish-yellow. Fruit membranous capsule, 2-4 valved, each valve broadly winged at the back.

Order Rhamnales

Family Rhamnaceae

Key to species


Order Malvales

Key to the Families

1: Stamens markedly monadelphous, anthers I-celled. Flowers usually large and showy (mostly solitary axillary). Epicalyx usually present..................................................Malvaceae.

1: Stamens free, connate at the base, sometimes 5-adelphous, anthers 2-celled. Epicalyx absent..........................................................Tiliaceae.

Family Tiliaceae

Corchorus trilocularis L.

Annual, erect or sub erect. Leaves ovate-oblong to oblong lanceolate, crenate –serrate, the two basel serrations usually produced into a thin linear hair like process. Capsule 5-7.5 cm long, usually 3 angles.

Family Malvaceae

Key to the Genera

1: Stigma capitate. Flower yellow (or red) ........................................ Malvastrum.

1: Stigma linear. Flower white or pinkish .....................................Malva.

Malva L.

Herbs. Leaves lobed. Flowers in axillary tufts, bracteoles 3, free staminal tube bearing anther to the top. Ovary many celled.

Key to the species

1: Bracteole linear ...................................................... M. parviflora.

1: Bracteole lanceolate .................................................... M. neglecta.

Malvastrum . A. Gray.

Herbs or under shrubs. Flower axillary or terminal, bracteoles 3. Carpels 5 or more, stigma capitate.

Malvastrum coromandelianum (L) Garecke.

Syn: M. tricuspidatum (Ait) A.Gray.

Undr shrub, erect or ascending, coarsely hairy. Leaves ovate, oblong – lanceolate, toothed, petiolate. Flowers yellow.

Order Parietales

Key to the Families

1. Annual or perennials. Leaves distinct, branches normal. .........................Violaceae.

1. Small trees or large shrubs. Leaves minute or absent. Branches green(Phylllocladous)................................................................ Tamaricaceae.
Family Tamaricaceae

*Tamarix aphylla* (L.) Karst.

A small or medium size tree, branches slender. Leaves reduced to short sheaths, with free minute teeth. Flowers pink, in spikate arrangement, monoecious or bisexual. Stamens 5.

Family Violaceae

A *Viola* species was collected from Banda Dawood Shah. Leaf lamina ovate, narrowed into a long petiole.

Order Myrtiflorae

Key to the Families

1: Flowers perigynous. Fruit berry like..................*Punicaceae*.

1. Ovary inferior. Flower epigynous. Fruit berry, drupe, capsule or nut ................*Myrtaceae*.

Family *Punicaceae*

*Punica granatum* L.

Large shrubs, erect or prostrate. Flower beautiful reddish. Perianth leaves persist in the form of a crown on the top of the fruit.

Family *Myrtaceae*

*Eucalyptus lanceolatus*.

Large tree. Leaves lanceolate, petiolate, thick.

Order Umbelliflorae

Family *Umbelliferae*

Key to the Genera

1: Leaves 1-2-3 pinnate. Segments broad.

2: Calyx teeth obsolete, primary and secondary ridge hairy .......................*Psamogeton*.

2: Calyx teeth evident or obsolete, secondary ridges winged, with bristles or spines...... *Daucus*.

1: Leaves very much divided, segments linear .............................................*Scandix*.

*Daucus carota* L.

Annual or biennial, usually hispid herbs. Leaves 2-3pinnate, pinnae pinnatifid, segment narrow. Flowers white.

*Psamogeton bibernatum* Edgw.

Segments of the lower leaves ovate, pinnatifid into narrow lobes. Segments of the upper leaves narrowly cuneate, laciniate. Flowers pinkish.

*Scandix pecten-veneris* L.

An erect branched annual. Leaves much divided. Fruit 30-70 mm long, ridged, linear.
Order Primulales.

Family Primulaceae

*Anagalis arvensis* L.

Annual, procumbent herbs. Leaves sessile, ovate or lanceolate, opposite, peduncle slender, decurved in fruit. Flowers blue. Fruit with persistent style.

Order Ebenales

Family apotaceae

*Monotheca buxfolia* (falc.) A.DC.

Small tree, branches many, Whitish. Leaves thick, entire, petiole short, spatulate. Fruit rounded, black when ripe, stoney, outer portion edible.

Order Contortae

Key to the Families

1. Androecium free from the stigma and without translators. Pollen grains not forming pollinia

.................................................................................. Apocynaceae.

1. Androecium concrescent to the stigma and provided with translators. Pollen grains in pollinia

.................................................................................. Asclepiadaceae.

Family Apocynaceae.

*Rhazya stricta* Decne.

Under shrub or shrub, erect. Leaves alternate, elliptic-lanceolate, turning yellowish with age, thick or leathery, sessile. Flowers white. Follicles erect, sub cylindrical, 5-7.5cm long.

Family Asclepiadaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Leafless shrub with short and thick branches...............................Periploca.

1. Leafy shrub with large opposite leaves.......................................Calotropis.

*Calotropis procera* (Willd) R.Br.

A tall shrub, much branched form the base, covered with soft white tomentum. Leaves large, broadly ovate-oblong, sessile, opposite, thick. Flower whitish to violet. Seed silky.

*Periploca aphylla* Decne.

Erect shrub. Usually leafless, branches smooth, green. Leaves when present ½ cm long. Flower green, fragrant, in small axillary opposite cymes, bracteate. Calyx 5 partite. Follicle 5-10 cm long, woody.
Order Tubiflorae

Key to the Families

1. Root parasite. Sometime fleshy herb, seemingly lacking chlorophyll. Leaves scales like.................................................................Orobanchaceae.

1. Mostly green herbs with normal leaves. Chlorophyll present.

2. Fruit drupaceous or usually nutlets. Corolla imbricate.

3. Leaves usually alternate. Flowers in characteristic, one sided cymes............Boraginaceae.

3. Leaves usually opposite. Flowers not as above.

4. Style terminal. Fruit drupe or berry.................................................Verbenaceae.

4. Style gynobasic. Fruit nutlet..............................................................Labiatae.

2. Fruit capsular or baccate. Corolla twisted.

5. Flowers usually regular.


5. Flowers usually irregular.

7. Seed endospermic.

8. Fruit usually septicidal capsule, 2-locular without barbs or wings............Scrophulariaceae.

8. Fruit usually loculicidal capsule or nut, completely or incompletely 4-locular, usually barbed or winged........................................Pedaliaceae.

7. Seed non-endospermic. Fruit explosively dehiscing............................Acanthaceae.

Family Convolvulaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Plant not twining.................................................................Evolvulus.

1. Plant twining.

2. Corolla tube mostly entire, pollen not echinulate.........................Convolvulus.

2. Pollen echinulate........................................................................Ipomoea.
Convulvulus arvensis L.

Annual or perennial, usually twining, herbs. Leaves stalked, with auriculate or hastate bases. Peduncles solitary axillary, bearing 1-4 flowers on short or long pedicels. Flowers pink.

Evolvulus alsinoides.

A low perennial, branches many from the base, prostate. Leaves many, elliptic-oblong, apiculate, petiol very short or absent. Flowers light blue, solitary or sometime two. Peduncle long and faliform.

Ipomoea hedracea.

Twining. Leaves long petiolate, base of lamina hastate or auriculate.

Family Boraginaceae

Key to the Genera

1: Inflorescence coiled.................................................................................Heliotropium.

1: Inflorescence not coiled.

2: Plant much hispid.................................................................................Arnebia.

2: Plant not much hispid.............................................................................Lithospermum.

Arnebia.


An Arnebia species was collected from Bahader Khel and Gurguri. Herb. Leaves alternate. Flowers bracteate, yellow. Corolla tube longer than the calyx.

Heliotropium L.

Leaves alternate, scabrid. Flowers small, usually white, 5-merous, on coiled inflorescence. Corolla tubular. Fruit dry, usually of 4 one-seeded cocci.

Key to the Species

1: Leaves linear-lanceolate, nearly sessile.................................H. strigosum.

1: Leaves large, long-petioled, ovate to elliptic-oblong..................H. europeum.

Lithospermum arvense.

Herb. Leaves linear, lanceolate, hispid. Flowers axillary, bracteate.

Family Verbenaceae
Key to the Genera

1. Shrub or small tree. Fruit drupe ................................. Vitex.

1. Herbs. Fruit separating into Pyrenes .............................. Lippia.

*Lippia nodiflora* (L.) L.C. Rich. ex Michaux.

Syn: *phylla nodiflora* (L.) Green.

A widely creeping perennial, rooting at nodes. Leaves opposite, spatulate, sub-sessile, toothed toward the rounded apex. Heads on 2.5-7.5cm long peduncles. Flowers white or pinkish.

*Vitex trifolia* L.

Shrub or small tree. Leaves 3-foliolate, leaflet entire. Panicles closely white tomentose.

Family Labiatae

Key to the Genera

1. Plant spiny ............................................................... Otostegia.

1. Plant not spiny.

2. Corolla obviously 2-lipped.

3. Perfect stamens 2 .................................................. Salvia


4. Upper lip of corolla arched .......................................... Lamium.

4. Upper lip of corolla not arched

5. Calyx not or scarcely bilabiate ................................. Micromeria.

5. Calyx 2 lipped ................................................... Scutellaria.

2. Corolla not 2-lipped ................................................ Ajuga.

Family Solanaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Corolla wheel-shaped (valvate) ................................. Solanum.

1. Corolla various (tubular, imbricate), not wheel-shaped.

2. Fruit berry .......................................................... Withania.
2. Fruit capsular......................................................... Datura.

Solanum  L.

Key to the Species

1. Unarmed, annual herbs ........................................ S. nigrum.

1. Armed with prickles or spines.

2. Prostrate herb....................................................... S. surattense.

2. Erect shrub or under shrub ..................................... S. incanum.

Withania  Panguy.

Key to the Species


1. Flowers dioecious. Leaves oblanceolate-oblong, thick, whitish. Berry tightly enclosed

................................................................................................................................. W. coagulans.

Family Scrophulariaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Leaves triangular- hastate........................................ Kickxia.

1. Leaves not as above ................................................ Veronica.

Family Pedaliaceae

Sesamum  indicum.

Herbs. Leaves opposite, simple. Fruit capsule.

Family Orobancheaceae

An Orobanche species was collected from Daggar Nari. Inflorescence terminal spike, branched. Flowers bracteate.

Family Acanthaceae

Key to the Genera

1. Stem mostly hexagonal. Flowers in axillary or terminal cymes, spikes, penicle or thyrses....................................................... Diclyptera.

1. Flowers usually in spike........................................... Justicia.
Order plantaginales.

Family Plantaginaceae

Key to the Species

1. Leaves entire or distantly toothed. Spike usually ovoid.................. *P. ovata*.

1. Leaves oblanceolate. Spike oblong or cylindric.......................... *P. ciliate*.

Order Cucurbitales

Family Cucurbitaceae

*Trichosanthes palmata.*

Weak stemed, trailing herbs, much branched. Leaves having long petiole, lamina several lobed. Flowers yellow. Fruit about 2.25cm across, yellow, with green strips.

Order Campanulatae

Family Compositae

Key to the Genera


1. Head and Achenes not so.

2. Head compound ............................................................. Echinops.

2. Head not compound.

3. Head heterogamous.

4. Leaves clustered, head nesting among leaves ...................... Ifloga.

4. Leaves and head different.

5. Achenes heteromorphous.............................................Calendula.

5. Achenes not heteromorphous.

6. Involucre bristly at the apex. Pappus feathery....................... Saussuria.

6. Involucre spiny at the apex. Pappus scaly .......................... Centaurea.

3. Head homogamous.

7. Achenes incurved, birds clawlik..................................... Koelpinia.
7. Achenes not so.

8. Involucre spinescent .......................................................... Cousinia.

8. Involucre not spinescent.


Launaea Cass.

Key to the Species

1. Plant usually much tufted in habit........................................... *L. procumbens*.

1. Plant not tufted in habit .................................................... *L. nudicaulis*.

**Angiospermae**

Angiospermae or Magnoliophyta, are the most diverse group of land plants. Angiosperms are seed producing plants like the gymnosperms and can be distinguished from the gymnosperms by a series of synapomorphies. These characteristics include flowers, endosperm within the seeds, and the production of fruits that contain the seeds. The ancestors of Angiospermae diverged from gymnosperms around 245–202 million years ago, and the first flowering plants known to exist are from 140 million years ago. They diversified enormously during the lower cretaceous and became widespread around 100 million years ago, but replaced conifers as the dominant trees only around 60-100 million years ago. Ovules enclosed in an ovary. Pollination takes place through receptive stigma and style.

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Discussion

The work presented in this project cover the M.Sc thesis duration of one year. The work may be considered as bird’s eye view as the species collected and described over here are no doubtly few but without them the botanical aspect of the area remains incomplete. The work will surely provide much help to future workers trying in this field in this area. The area consists of both hills and plains, differing much in floristic composition. Irrigation facilities are very less in the area, depending on rainfall. Due to lack of irrigation facilities the Flora, particularly cultivated Flora has much difference from highly irrigated areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhawa. No fruit orchards have been seen in the visited area. The chief Agriculture crops are Wheat, different legumes, fodder crops and barely, grown with the help of tube well system but mostly rain dependant. On hills different grasses, Monothea buxifolia, Acacia modesta, Cotoneaster spp, Rhazia stricta, Justicia adhatoda and Dodonaea viscosa, etc are commonly found.

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nilotica are found on road sides while Capparis decidua and Salvadora oleoides are commonly found in Grave-yards Aloe vera is also very common in Grave-yards. Most of the floral elements of the area are found as weeds in cultivated crops, for example, in Wheat crops different weeds such as Cirsium arvense, Papaver spp., Silene conoidea, Mellilotus indicus, Anagalis arvensis, Echinops echinatus, Asphodelus tenuifolius and Cronopous didymus etc are very common.

The most important factors affecting the Flora of area are light, temperature, humidity, soil conditions, topography, elevation from sea level, rain fall and other forms of precipitation. On soil having high Nitrogen content are found Malva neglecta, Chenopodium album etc, as occurring near human duellings, on compost heaps and in back yards. The finding is similar with that of Rehman (1982). The medicinal plants like Withania coagulans, Aloe vera and Peganum heryala are very common in the area. Arachis hypogaea is also very commonly cultivated in the area and transported to other parts of the country.

Conclusion
The area is very rich in biodiversity. The halophyte should be introduced in saline area. There is need of establishment of Tube well system on high scales in this area, which will bring Agriculture revolution in the area. A lot of fruits, especially Zizyphus species, Peganum heryala, Withania coagulans, Monotheca buxifolia, Fagonia cretica and Acacia nilotica are wasted annually due to non-availability of market. The market availability has good effect on plants and on people. Medicinal farm should be set up in the study area to promote the vital importance of the plants and its conservation.

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