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## A new species of *Halticoptera* SPINOLA (Hymenoptera, Pteromalidae) from Imphal, India

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*Halticoptera imphalensis* sp. n. from Imphal, India is described and illustrated. Holotype deposited in Zoological Museum, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, India.

### *Halticoptera imphalensis* sp. n.

#### Male (figs. 1., 2A–D)

Head dark with metallic bluish-green reflections, wider than long in facial view; ocelli red, arranged in equilateral triangle; mandibles quadridentate with three acute teeth and a broad truncation; maxillary palpi (fig. 2A) with apical segments much expanded. Antennae (fig. 2B) brown, 11-segmented excluding ring segments; scape long and cylindrical; pedicel distinctly longer than wide, longer than first funicle segment; two ring segments distinct; funicle 6-segmented, segments 1–5 subequal in length, each slightly longer than wide, 6th as long as wide; club 3-segmented, less than three times as long as wide, shorter than preceding three funicle segments together.

Thorax dark with metallic bluish-green reflections, sparsely and uniformly punctate; parapsidal furrows indistinct. Fore wings hyaline, slightly more than twice as long as wide, disc densely setose except base naked; costal cell broad, slightly longer than marginal vein; postmarginal vein (fig. 2C) slightly shorter than marginal, about twice the length of stigmal vein; marginal fringe short. Hind wings hyaline, about four and a half times as long as wide; marginal fringe short. Legs yellowish-brown except coxae dark; fore tibial spur curved; tarsi 5-segmented.

Abdomen dark, shorter than thorax; abdominal petiole slightly longer than wide; male genitalia (fig. 2D) with digitus dentate apically.

Body length: 3 mm.



Fig. 1. ♂ *Halticoptera imphalensis* sp. n.

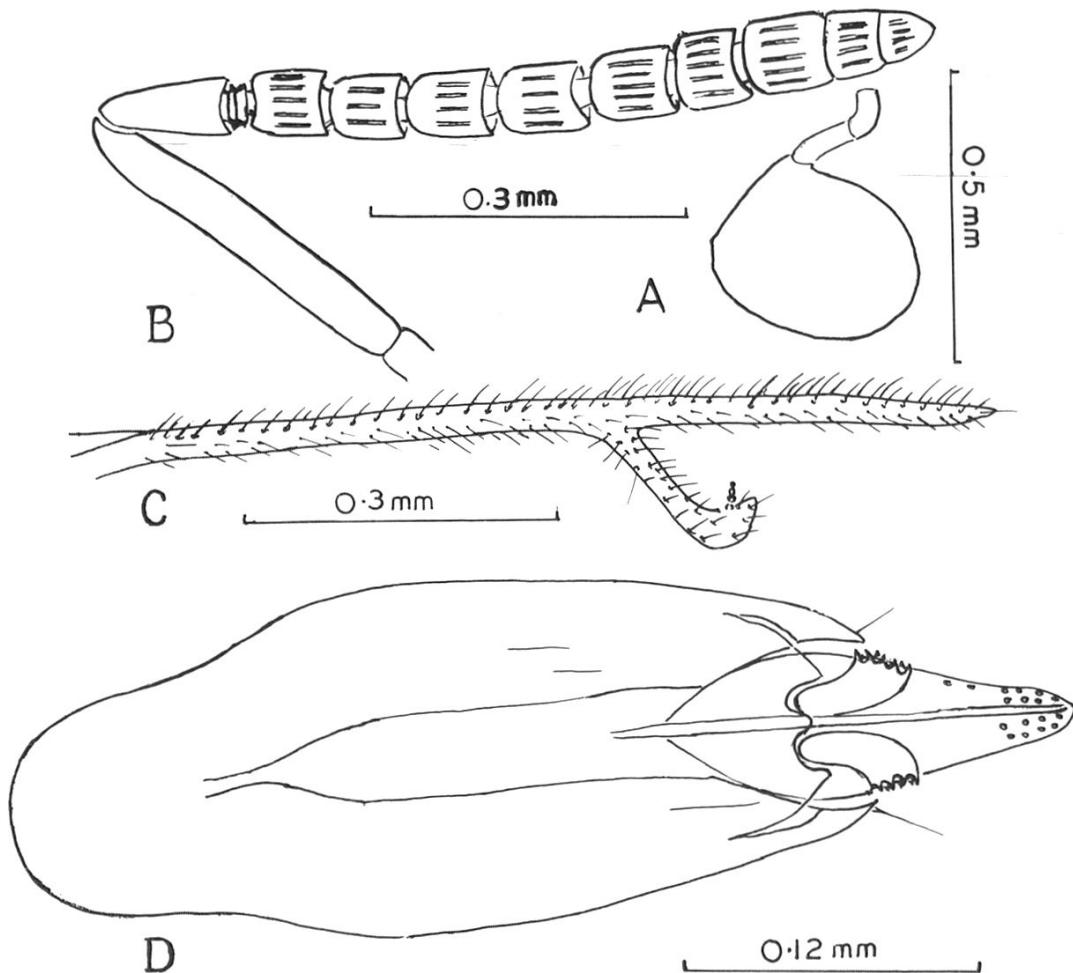


Fig. 2. *H. imphalensis* ♂. A = Maxillary Palp; B = Antenna; C = Fore wing venation; D = Genitalia.

*Comments:* The new species is closely related to *Halticoptera propinqua* (WATERSTON, 1915). The two species are separated by the following key characters:

1. Antennae with funicle segments 1–6 almost transverse; first funicle segment short, about three-fourth the length of second; last tarsal segment dark. *H. propinqua* (WATERSTON)
2. Antennae (fig. 2B) with funicle segments 1–5 slightly longer than wide, 6th as long as wide; first funicle segment about as long as second; last tarsal segment pale....*H. imphalensis* sp. n.

Holotype ♂, India: Manipur, Imphal, Lamphel, 13. v. 1985, by sweeping grass, M. S. A. K. CHISHTI.

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