

Diversity Assessment of Major Insect Orders in Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary District Gonda, Uttar Pradesh, India

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ABSTRACT

An assessment study was conducted on the abundance and diversity of insect species in Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary District Gonda, Uttar Pradesh. The present study was aimed to determine the species richness, dominance and evenness of insect fauna from study area. The assessment was carried out during the month of November 2020 to April 2021. A total number of 296 insects from 156 species, 31 families and 5 Order were recorded. This assessment shows that Coleoptera (33.97%) was most dominant order and followed by Lepidoptera (25.64%), Orthoptera (14.74%), Diptera (14.74%) and Hymenoptera (10.26%) according to total number of species. A number of statistical indices were used to determine the Dominance, Richness, Evenness and Diversity. The study supposed to the first report of insect diversity in study is and becomes useful information on those aspects to be documented for future references.

Keywords- Diversity Assessment, Insect Diversity, Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary.

I. INTRODUCTION

Insect are the most abundant and diverse animal group on Earth which belong to largest class of Insecta in under the largest animal phylum Arthropoda. They characterized by three pair of legs, two pair of wings and body is divided into head, thorax and abdomen. Insects are further categorized into two sub classes, Apterygota (Primitively wingless insects) and Pterygota (Insects with wing) (Miller et al. 2000). They are performing several direct and indirect crucial roles to performing life process in ecosystem like pollination, agricultural pest and important bioindicators of environmental changes. Economically they provide different materials such as lac, silk, honey, wax etc. that have worldwide high value (Debdas et al. 2013, Khadijah et al. 2013). Taxonomically insects are divided into 29 orders in which Coleoptera, Diptera, Hymenoptera and Lepidoptera covers almost 81% insect species of total

account of living insects (Footitt and Adler 2009). Insecta is the most populous animal class on earth with estimates of over 90% of life on earth falling it (Reuther 2012). The insects are considerably estimated to comprise more than 75% of the known species of the animals. In an ancient estimation from book "Indian Insect Life" reported 25700 species in India (Djamila et al. 2019) whereas, Nandani and Murali (2014) estimated insects from India have 619 families of 59353 species. Insects are not only diversified on terrestrial habitat but also inhabit diverse freshwater ecosystem about 45000 species of insects worldwide (Balram 2005, Rajnish & Nirupam 2012). About 751000 insect species known which are about three fourth of all recorded animals species on planet (Majumdar 2013, Bindulekha & Amalnath 2017, Roopam & Nita 2016, Ramar et al. 2018). Insects are also form more than half of the known global biodiversity. They inhabit all habitat types and play major roles in the function and stability of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems (Okrikata & Yusuf 2019, Ramar et al. 2018). In insects has some specified group like Beetals (Coleoptera) is most diverse insect group of all animals with more than 350000 described species and about 15088 species were recorded from India (Pawara et al. 2014, Aland et al. 2012) whereas butterflies are most taxonomically studied group with worldwide more than 28000 species and about 1508 species were recorded from India (Aiswarya et al. 2014). Rasina et al. (2014) estimates of global insect species richness vary from less than 5 million to as many as 80 millions. The conservation of insect diversity is there for a topic of global importance. The insect diversity of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary is unknown till date. Therefore this study was conducted to evaluate and assess the insect population and diversity health (Ecological health) in study area with suppose of first report of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary.

II. METHODOLOGY

2.1 Study Area

The present study was done in Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary in Gonda district of Uttar Pradesh (India) with an area covering 1084.47 Hectares (10 Km²). It was

declared as Bird Sanctuary on 23rd May 1990 and their management undertaking by the Forest Department. Bird Sanctuary has vast area of vegetation with two large lakes in Hoof shaped (Cow's foot). Geographically study

area located at a 26° 48'-27° N longitude and 81° 37'-82° E latitude. The Sanctuary harbours a rich floral and faunal diversity and is home for several rare and migratory faunas (Fig.1).

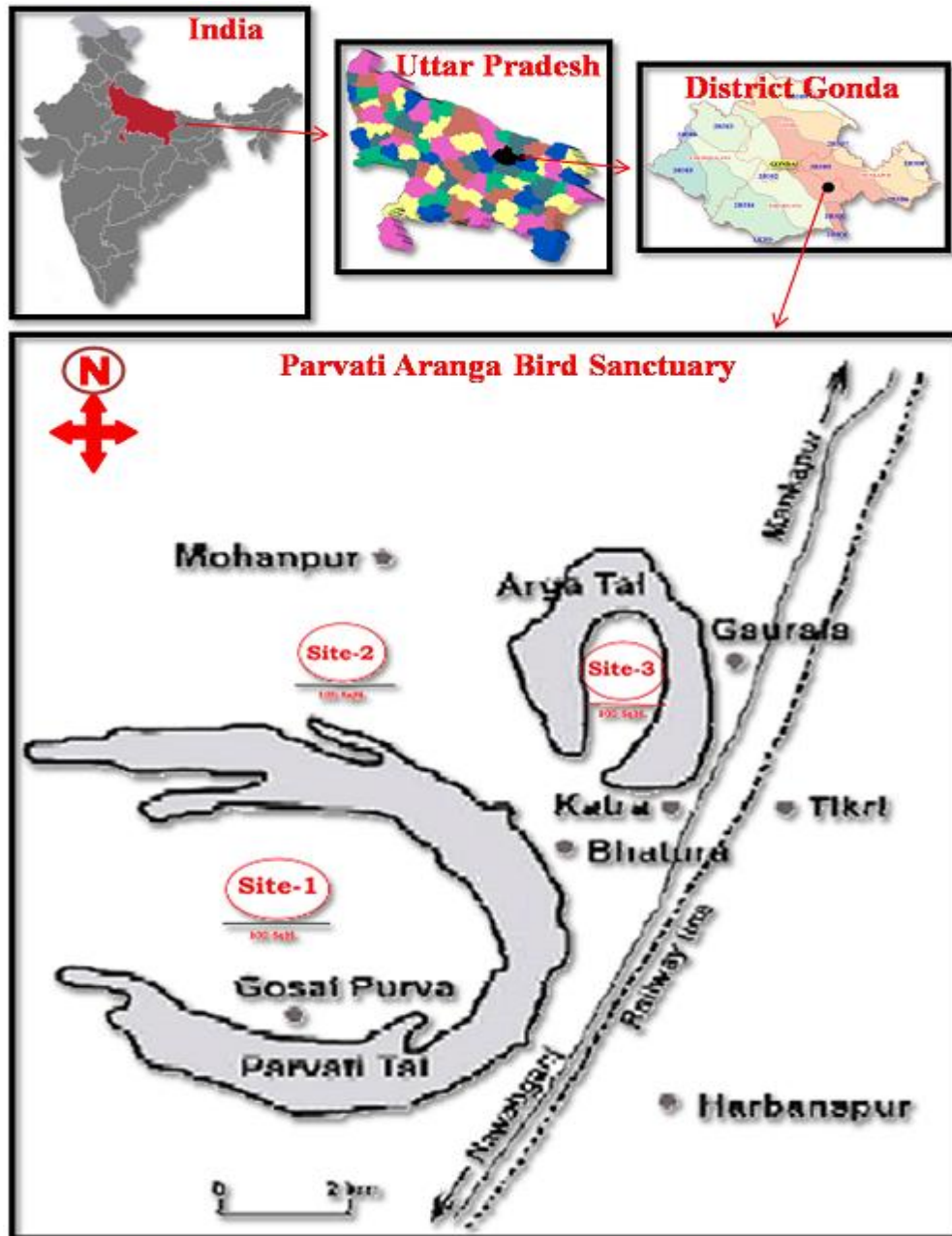


Fig. 1: Map of Study Area (Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary)

2.2 Sampling and Data Collection

Sampling of Insects was conducted between 09:00 to 12:00 (light period) and 05:00 to 08:00 (dark period) at 7 day intervals during November 2020 to April 2021. The insects were collected using the hand collection, light attractant and sweep sampling methods. To ensure that sampling was conducted in a consistent, systematic manner, a randomly selected 3 study sites each of 100 m² area. The collected insects were

transferred into jars that contained cotton soaked in Chloroform (Trichloromethane) and then transported to the laboratory where the insects were mounted and pinned using insect pins. The samples were then preserved and after which they were set in wooden boxes in dry condition and labeled according to their taxonomic position. (Joshi et al. 2008, Nandani and Murali 2014).

2.3 Species identification

The collected insect specimen (species) were identified based on Filippini *et al.* 2016, Nair *et al.* 2012, Alford 1999, Balaram 2005, Chote 2003, Chote 2004, Foster and Obermeyer 2010, Goulet and Huber 1993, Gullan and Cranston 3rd Edition, Hutton 2011, Pescador *et al.* 2000, Merritt and Cummins 1988, Resh and Carde 2003 and also used some websites such as www.gbif.org, www.discoverlife.org, www.cabi.org, www.indiabiodiversity.org, www.antwiki.org, www.ifoundbutterflies.org, www.orthoptera.speciesfile.org, www.animaldiversity.org.

2.4 Data Analysis

The type of insect diversity used here is α -diversity, which is the diversity of species within a particular habitat. Statistical data analysis done by auto calculation through website www.alyoung.com and were explained different indices like Simpson's index, Simpson's Reciprocal Index, Dominance index, Shannon's index, Inverted Berger – Parker Dominance index, Margalef's Richness index and Equitability or Evenness index.(Table-2a, 2b, 3a & 3b)

III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

3.1 Species Composition of Insects (Table-1, 2a & 2b)

The Family and Order composition and number of insect species collected from study sites is shown in Table-1. A total number of 156 species belong to 31 families and 5 orders were collected and identified from three sites of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary. The highest number of species belong to order Coleoptera (53), followed by Lepidoptera (41), Orthoptera (23), Diptera (23) and Hymenoptera (16) (Table-1). Were Species

Dominance percentages in families of different orders shown in Graph (Fig. 2 to 6). Diversity indices, Abundance, Richness and Evenness for five different orders were calculated. Species Richness Index was higher in Coleoptera (2.267) with highest Dominance Index (0.835) while Lower Richness Index reported in Diptera (0.637) with lowest Dominance Index (0.664). Highest Simpson's Index of Diversity was reported Diptera (0.336) followed by Orthoptera (0.328) while lowest in Coleoptera (0.164) followed by Lepidoptera (0.261). In all five orders, Hymenoptera were observed with moderate Simpson's Index of Diversity (0.283). The Shannon's Index of Diversity varied from 1.054 to 1.955. The maximum Shannon's Index reported of Coleoptera (1.955) and the minimum of Diptera (1.054). Evenness Index of species also varied from 0.9592 to 0.7307. The highest Evenness Index reported of Diptera (0.9592) and lowest of Orthoptera (0.7307). Other than these, were Reciprocal Simpson's Index, Inverted Berger-Parker Dominance Index also revealed in all five orders (Table-2a & 2b).

3.2 Species Composition and Abundance of Insect in Different Study Sites (Table 3a and 3b)

A total number of 296 insects were collected which belongs to 156 species in under 5 orders and 31 families. For minimize of insect population harms, only one insect form a single species collected at a particular Site (Table-1 & Fig.7).

3.2.1 Site-1: The maximum number of species reported from site-1 (106) with the maximum Dominance Index (0.783) and Evenness Index (0.9621) while Richness Index (0.857) minimum. Site-1 is surrounded by a huge evergreen water body named Parvati Lake with high vegetation frequency, which made it rich diversity site.

Table 1: List of Insect fauna identified and collected from Sampling Sites

Family	S. N.	Species	Site-1	Site-2	Site-3
Order: Coleoptera					
Scarabidae	1	Anomala dimidiata (Hope, 1831)	+	-	-
	2	Anomala lineatopennis (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	+	-
	3	Anomala binotata (Gyllenhaal, 1817)	-	-	+
	4	Anomala ruficapilla (Burmeister, 1855)	+	-	+
	5	Onthophagus agnus (Gillet, 1925)	+	-	-
	6	Onthophagus Taurus (Schreber, 1759)	-	+	-
	7	Onthophagus catta (Fabricius, 1787)	-	+	+
	8	Onthophagus dama (Fabricius, 1798)	+	+	-
	9	Onthophagus nasalis (Arrow, 1931)	-	-	+
	10	Chiloloba acuta (Wiedemann, 1823)	+	+	+
	11	Onitis philemon (Fabricius, 1801)	-	+	-
	12	Jumnos roylei (Hope, 1839)	-	-	+
	13	Protaetia sps.	+	-	-
	14	Canthon vigilans (Leconte, 1858)	+	+	+
	15	Pentodon idiota (Herbst, 1789)	+	+	-

	16	<i>Deltochilum gibbosum</i> (Fabricius, 1775)	-	+	+
	17	<i>Holotrichia serrata</i> (Hope, 1837)	-	+	-
Coccinellidae	18	<i>Coccinella transversalis</i> (Fabricius, 1781)	+	+	+
	19	<i>Coccinella sexmaculata</i> (Fabricius, 1781)	-	+	-
	20	<i>Coccinella septempunctata</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	+	-
	21	<i>Hippodamia variegata</i> (Goeze, 1777)	+	+	-
	22	<i>Hippodamia tredecimpunctata</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	-	+
	23	<i>Harmonia axyridis</i> (Pallos, 1773)	+	-	-
	24	<i>Micraspis discolor</i> (Fabricius, 1798)	+	+	+
	25	<i>Zygogramma bicolorata</i> (Pallister, 1953)	+	+	+
	26	<i>Cheilomenses sexmaculata</i> (Fabricius, 1781)	-	+	-
	27	<i>Brachiacantha quadripunctata</i> (Melsheimer, 1847)	+	-	-
Chrysomellidae	28	<i>Altica himensis</i> (Shukla, 2016)	+	+	+
	29	<i>Altica cyanea</i> (Weber, 1801)	+	-	-
	30	<i>Sagra femorata</i> (Drury, 1773)	-	+	-
	31	<i>Cryptocephalus aureoles</i> (Suffrian, 1847)	-	+	+
	32	<i>Meristata trifasciata</i> (Hope, 1831)	-	+	-
	33	<i>Aulacophora indica</i> (Gmelin, 1790)	+	+	+
	34	<i>Aulacophora faveicollis</i> (Lucas, 1849)	-	+	+
Carabidae	35	<i>Anthia sexguttata</i> (Fabricius, 1775)	+	-	-
	36	<i>Pheropsophus catoirei</i> (Dejean, 1825)	-	-	+
	37	<i>Pheropsophus bimaculatus</i> (Linnaeus, 1771)	-	-	+
Meloidae	38	<i>Mylabris cichorii</i> (Linnaeus, 1767)	+	+	-
	39	<i>Mylabris quadripunctata</i> (Linnaeus, 1767)	-	+	-
	40	<i>Mylabris pustulata</i> (Thunberg, 1821)	+	+	+
	41	<i>Meloe violaceus</i> (Marsham, 1802)	+	+	+
	42	<i>Zonitis</i> sps.	-	+	-
	43	<i>Epicauta pensylvanica</i> (De Geer, 1775)	-	+	+
Cerambycidae	44	<i>Aeolestes holocericea</i> (Fabricius, 1787)	+	-	-
	45	<i>Stibara</i> sps.	+	+	+
	46	<i>Kunbir telephoroides</i> (Lameere, 1890)	-	+	-
Curculionidae	47	<i>Rhynchophorus indostanus</i> (Chevrolat, 1882)	+	-	-
	48	<i>Myllocerus viridanus</i> (Fabricius, 1775)	-	+	+
Hybosoridae	49	<i>Hybosorus orientalis</i> (Westwood, 1845)	-	-	+
Elateridae	50	<i>Elater fuscipes</i> (Fabricius, 1775)	+	+	+
Tenebrionidae	51	<i>Platynotus</i> sps.	+	+	+
	52	<i>Derosphaerus foveolatus</i> (Marseul, 1876)	+	-	+
	53	<i>Derosphaerus sinensis</i> (Hope, 1842)	+	-	-
Order:- Lepidoptera					
Nymphalidae	54	<i>Vanessa caschmirensis</i> (Kollar, 1848)	+	+	+
	55	<i>Vanessa indica</i> (Herbst, 1794)	+	+	+
	56	<i>Junonia iphita</i> (Cramer, 1779)	+	+	-
	57	<i>Junonia orithya</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	-	+
	58	<i>Junonia attites</i> (Linnaeus, 1763)	-	+	+
	59	<i>Junonia lemonias</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	-	-
	60	<i>Papilio phalantha</i> (Drury, 1773)	+	-	-
	61	<i>Papilio bolina</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	+	-
	62	<i>Papilio genutia</i> (Cramer, 1779)	+	-	+
	63	<i>Papilio chrysippus</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	+	+
	64	<i>Papilio almana</i> (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	+	-

	65	Papilio limniace (Cramer, 1775)	-	+	-
	66	Papilio leda (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	+	-
	67	Neptis sappho (Pallos, 1771)	+	-	-
	68	Neptis yerburii (Fabricius, 1807)	+	-	+
	69	Pseudoergolis wedah (Kollar, 1848)	+	+	+
	70	Argynnis lathania (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	+	-
	71	Sephisa dichroa (Kollar, 1844)	-	+	-
	72	Ergolis meriane (Cramer, 1777)	+	+	+
Papilionidae	73	Papilio helenus (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	+	+
	74	Papilio polytes (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	+	+
	75	Papilio agamemnon (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	-	-
	76	Byasa polyeuctes (Doubleday, 1882)	-	+	-
Pieridae	77	Eurema hecabe (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	-	-
	78	Leptosia nina (Fabricius, 1793)	+	+	+
	79	Appios olferna (Swinhoe, 1890)	+	+	+
	80	Delias eucharis (Drury, 1773)	+	+	+
	81	Pieris canidia (Sparman, 1768)	+	+	+
	82	Pieris brassicae (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	-	-
	83	Appias libythea (Fabricius, 1775)	+	-	+
	84	Catopsilia pyranthe (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	+	+
Lycaenidae	85	Lycaena rosimon (Fabricius, 1775)	-	+	-
	86	Spalgis epius (Westwood, 1851)	+	+	+
	87	Prosotas dubiosa (Semper, 1879)	+	-	-
	88	Catochrysops strabo (Fabricius, 1793)	+	-	+
Hesperiidae	89	Pelopidas mathias (Fabricius, 1798)	+	+	+
	90	Pelopidas conjuncta (Herrich-Schaffer, 1869)	+	+	+
Sphingidae	91	Macroglossum sps.	+	+	+
	92	Sphinx sps.	+	+	+
Noctuidae	93	Agrotis exclamationis (Linnaeus, 1758)	-	+	-
	94	Autographa sps.	-	-	+
Order:- Orthoptera					
Acrididae	95	Chrotogonus trachypterus (Blanchard, 1836)	-	+	-
	96	Acrida exaltata (Walker, 1859)	+	+	+
	97	Diaboloatontops innotabilis (Walker, 1870)	+	+	+
	98	Gesonula punctifrons (Stal, 1861)	+	+	-
	99	Leva indica (Boliver, 1902)	+	+	+
	100	Morphacris fasciata (Thunberg, 1815)	-	-	+
	101	Oedaleus abruptus (Thunberg, 1815)	+	+	+
	102	Oxya fuscovittata (Marschall, 1836)	+	-	-
	103	Oxya velox (Fabricius, 1787)	-	+	+
	104	Oxya hyla (Serville, 1831)	-	-	+
	105	Oxya nitidula (Walker, 1870)	+	+	+
	106	Phlaeoba infumata (Wattenwyl, 1893)	+	+	+
	107	Trilophidia annulata (Thunberg, 1815)	+	+	-
Gryllidae	108	Dianemobius fascipes (Walker, 1869)	+	+	+
	109	Teleogryllus occipitalis (Serville, 1838)	+	+	+
Pyrgomorphidae	110	Atractomorpha crenulata (Fabricius, 1793)	+	-	-
Gryllotalpidae	111	Gryllotalpa Africana (Beauvois, 1805)	+	-	+
Tetrigidae	112	Euparatettix histricus (Stall, 1861)	+	+	+
Trigonidiidae	113	Amusurgus fulvus (Wattenwyl, 1893)	+	+	+

	114	Trigonidium humbertianum (Saussure, 1878)	+	+	-
Tettigoniidae	115	Conocephalus longipennis (Haan, 1842)	-	+	-
	116	Conocephalus maculates (Le Guillou, 1841)	+	+	+
	117	Elimaea securigera (Wattenwyl, 1878)	+	+	-
Order:- Diptera					
Culicidae	118	Anopheles culicifacies (Giles, 1901)	+	+	+
	119	Anopheles subpictus (Grassi, 1899)	+	-	+
	120	Anopheles fluviatilis (James, 1902)	-	-	+
	121	Anopheles vagus (Donitz, 1902)	+	-	-
	122	Anopheles maculates (Theobald, 1901)	+	-	-
	123	Aedes aegypti (Linnaeus, 1762)	+	+	+
	124	Aedes albopictus (Skuse, 1894)	+	-	-
	125	Aedes walbus (Theobald, 1905)	-	-	+
	126	Aedes vittatus (Bigot, 1861)	+	-	+
	127	Culex vishnui (Theobald, 1901)	+	+	+
	128	Culex fatigans (Wiedemann, 1828)	+	+	+
Syrphidae	129	Sphegina macropoda (Bigot, 1883)	+	+	+
	130	Eristalis cerealis (Fabricius, 1805)	-	+	-
	131	Msembrius bengalensis (Wiedemann, 1819)	+	+	-
	132	Syrirta indica (Wiedemann, 1824)	+	-	-
	133	Paragus serratus (Fabricius, 1805)	-	+	-
	134	Allograpta javana (Wiedemann, 1824)	+	+	+
Muscidae	135	Musca domestica (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	+	+
	136	Musca autumnalis (De Geer, 1776)	+	+	-
	137	Arthurella nudiseta (Aibuquerque, 1954)	-	-	+
	138	Atherigona reversura (Villeneuve, 1936)	+	-	-
	139	Pyrellia cyanicolor (Zetterstedt, 1845)	+	-	-
	140	Fannia canicularis (Linnaeus, 1761)	+	+	+
Order:- Hymenoptera					
Apidae	141	Apis florae (Fabricius, 1787)	+	+	+
	142	Apis dorsata (Fabricius, 1793)	-	-	+
	143	Nomada fulvicornis (Fabricius, 1793)	+	-	+
Vespidae	144	Vespa orientalis (Linnaeus, 1771)	+	+	+
	145	Polistes flavus (Cresson, 1868)	-	+	+
	146	Polistes watti (Cameron, 1900)	+	+	-
	147	Polistes indicus (Stolfa, 1934)	+	-	-
	148	Polistes stigma (Fabricius, 1793)	-	-	+
Xylocopidae	149	Xylocopa violacea (Linnaeus, 1758)	+	-	-
Formicidae	150	Camponotus sericeus (Fabricius, 1798)	+	+	+
	151	Camponotus compressus (Fabricius, 1787)	-	+	-
	152	Camponotus angusticollis (Jerdon, 1851)	+	+	+
	153	Camponotus vicinus (Mayr, 1870)	-	+	-
	154	Oecophylla smaragdina (Fabricius, 1755)	+	-	+
	155	Leptogenys diminuta (Smith, 1857)	+	-	-
	156	Solenopsis geminate (Fabricius, 1804)	+	+	+

3.2.2 Site-2: Site-2 is area that situated between Site-1 and Site-3 without any water body. This site has most of grassland with shrubs and nearby agricultural land, village also situated with too much human activity. In this Site, the minimum Dominance Index (0.763) and

Evenness Index (0.9308) with moderate Richness Index (0.866) were reported. Were, a total number of 101 species collected.

3.2.3 Site-3: The minimum number of species reported from Site-3 (89) with the moderate Dominance Index

(0.781), Evenness Index (0.9581) and maximum Richness Index (0.891). Site-3 is also surrounded by a water body named Aranga Lake that some time becomes dry during winter seasons. This Site also has much greenery with shrubby and tree vegetations.

Overall the maximum Insect Diversity reported in Site-1 with Simpson's Index of Diversity (0.216) and

Shannon's Index of Diversity (1.548) while the minimum Insect Diversity calculated from Site-2 with Simpson's Index of Diversity (0.236) and Shannon's Index of Diversity (1.498). Site-3 has moderate number of Insect Diversity with Simpson's Index of Diversity (0.218) and Shannon's Index of Diversity (1.542) (Table 3a & 3b).

Table 2a: Diversity indices for insect orders collected from different sites of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary

Insect Orders	Total No. of Family	Total No. of Species	Dominance %	Average Population Size	Simpson's Index $\frac{\sum ni(ni - 1)}{N(N - 1)}$	Reciprocal Simpson's Index $\frac{1}{\sum ni^2/N^2}$
Coleoptera	10	53	33.97%	5.30	0.164	6.070
Lepidoptera	7	41	25.64%	5.85	0.261	3.832
Orthoptera	7	23	14.74%	3.28	0.328	3.048
Diptera	3	23	14.74%	7.66	0.336	2.976
Hymenoptera	4	16	10.26%	4.00	0.283	3.529
Total	31	156	100%	31.20	0.233	4.281

Table 2b: Diversity indices for insect orders collected from different sites of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary

Insect Orders	Dominance Index $1 - \frac{\sum ni(ni - 1)}{N(N - 1)}$	Shannon's Index $-\sum \frac{ni}{N} \ln \left(\frac{ni}{N} \right)$	Inverted Berger-Parker Dominance Index $\frac{N}{n_{max}}$	Margalef's Richness Index $\frac{S - 1}{\ln N}$	Evenness Index $\frac{-\sum \frac{ni}{N} \ln \left(\frac{ni}{N} \right)}{\ln N}$
Coleoptera	0.835	1.955	3.118	2.267	0.8488
Lepidoptera	0.739	1.571	2.158	1.616	0.8075
Orthoptera	0.671	1.422	1.769	1.914	0.7307
Diptera	0.664	1.054	2.091	0.637	0.9592
Hymenoptera	0.716	1.212	2.286	1.082	0.8745
Total	0.766	1.516	2.943	0.792	0.9420

Table-3a: Diversity indices for insect species collected from different sites of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary

Study Sites	Total No. of Species	Average Population Size	Simpson's Index $\frac{\sum ni(ni - 1)}{N(N - 1)}$	Reciprocal Simpson's Index $\frac{1}{\sum ni^2/N^2}$	Dominance Index $1 - \frac{\sum ni(ni - 1)}{N(N - 1)}$
Site-1	106	21.2	0.216	4.622	0.783
Site-2	101	20.2	0.236	4.229	0.763
Site-3	89	17.8	0.218	4.580	0.781
Total	296	98.67	0.332	3.005	0.667

Table-3b: Diversity indices for insect species collected from different sites of Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary

Study Sites	Shannon's Index $-\sum \frac{ni}{N} \ln \left(\frac{ni}{N} \right)$	Inverted Berger-Parker Dominance Index $\frac{N}{n_{max}}$	Margalef's Richness Index $\frac{S - 1}{\ln N}$	Evenness Index $\frac{-\sum \frac{ni}{N} \ln \left(\frac{ni}{N} \right)}{\ln N}$
Site-1	1.548	3.419	0.857	0.9621
Site-2	1.498	2.971	0.866	0.9308
Site-3	1.542	3.296	0.891	0.9581
Total	1.096	2.792	0.351	0.9976

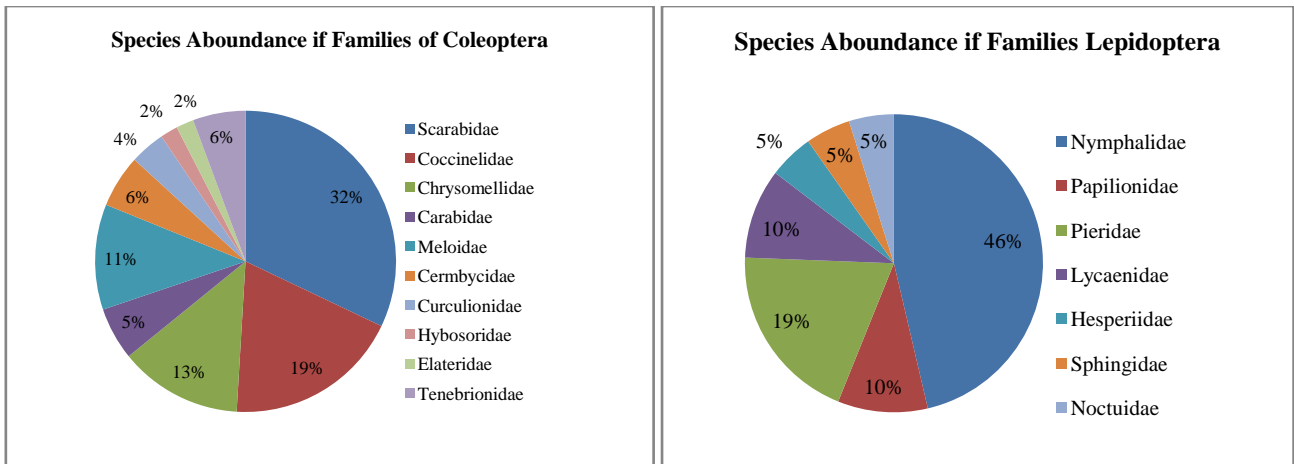


Fig.2: Species Abundance in Families of Coleoptera Fig.3: Species Abundance in Families of Lepidoptera

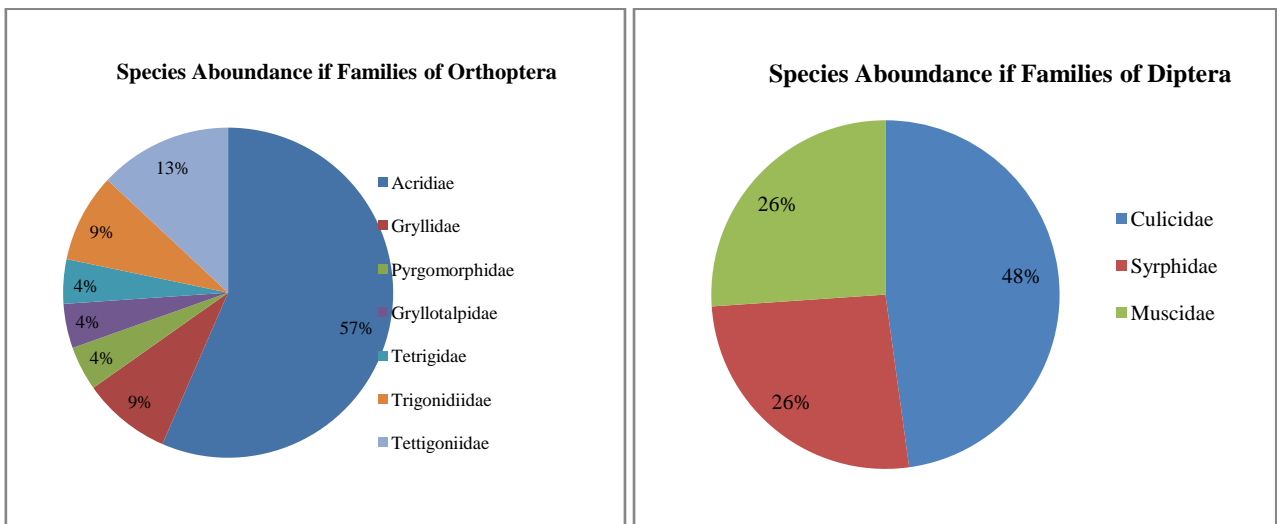


Fig.4: Species Abundance in Families of Orthoptera Fig.5: Species Abundance in Families of Diptera

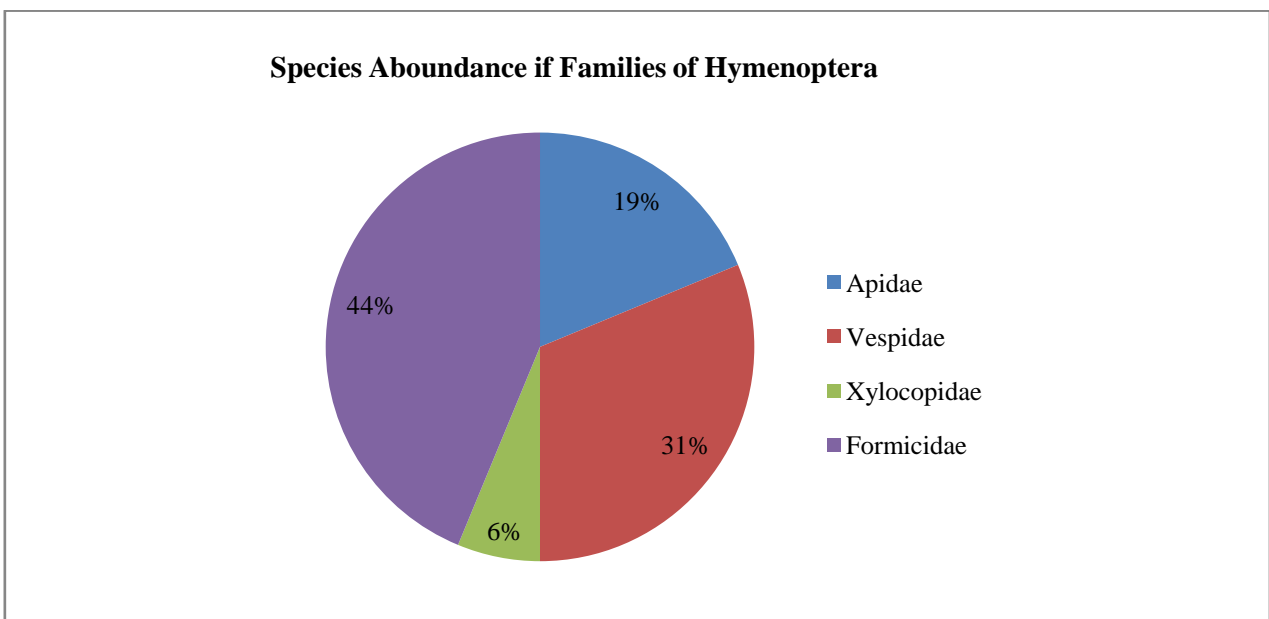


Fig.6: Species Abundance in Families of Hymenoptera

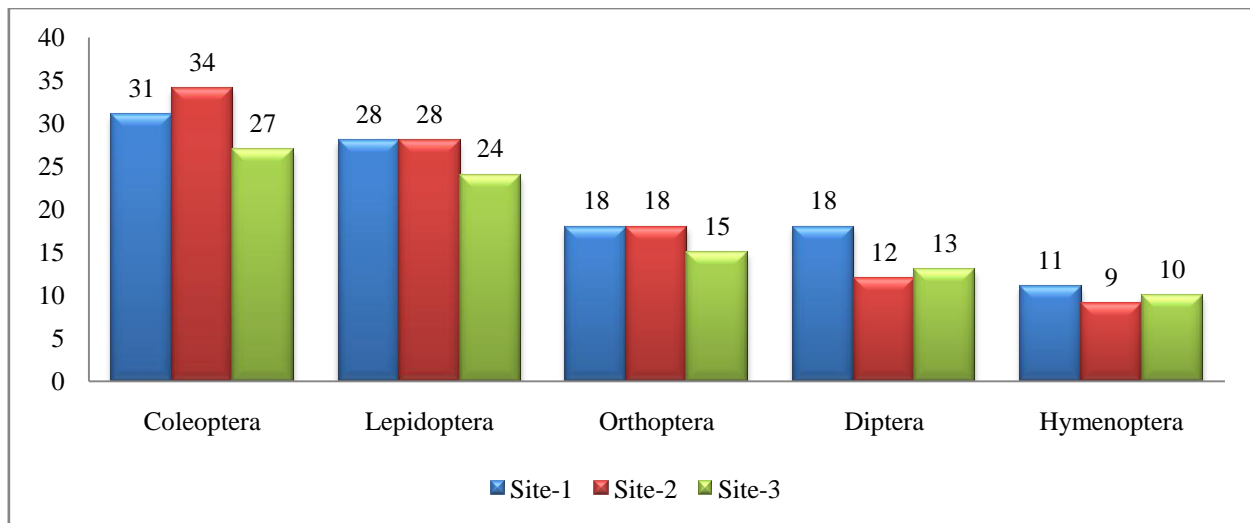


Fig.7: No. of Species occurrence in Particular sites of Different Orders

IV. CONCLUSION

This assessment concludes that the study area has rich and vast diversity of insects, especially species level of major insect orders. This work also conclude that the Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary are dominated by insects and from these records it is obvious that the aquatic and terrestrial ecosystem together. It had diverse entomofauna with high level of insect distribution. This study evaluated that the selected site for assessment especially for water body and human activities. In taken study sites, Site-1 is situated by surroundings huge water body (Parvati Lake) that never become dry whereas Site-2 is situated away from any water body and has much interference with human activities. Other than both, Site-3 is also surrounded by water body (Aranga Lake) that some time becomes dry during winter seasons. The diversity of all these Sites is also effected by such factors and activities that expressed as Site-1 > Site-3 > Site-2. In all studied orders, Coleoptera has much species diversity than others that also be considered as the effect of water body occurrence.

Overall from this assessment, the Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary is still considered to have a diverse and vast entomofauna. However, the results which were being presented in this article might be the first comprehensive Insect Survey list of taken study area. Hopefully, there will be a further research study on the insect diversity and listed taxa in this area, in order to get better and useful information on those aspects to be documented for future references.

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