

NOTES ON THE IDENTITY AND NOMENCLATURE
OF SOME SPECIES OF INDIGOPERA L.
(LEGUMINOSAE-PAPILIONOIDEAE) OF CHINA

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SYNOPSIS

Identity of (a) *Indigofera hainanensis* Tsi & Yu, (b) *I. chinensis* Metcalf and (c) *I. strobilata* Metcalf.

(a) *Indigofera hainanensis* Tsi & Yu was described based on S.K. Lee 445 (PE) from Hainan in China. This species is similar to *Indigofera pseudotinctoria* but differs from it in having both the calyx and the corolla hairy on both surfaces, calyx lobes short and broad, vexillum with a distinct study of the prolegomenae and the apices of the vexillum notched out.

The apical part of the vexillum is notched out. The fruit characters were subsequently reported in all (in *Synonyma* 4: 174, 1989) indicate that *I. hainanensis* is actually the same as *I. chinensis* Metcalf (1914) from Peninsular India. In their proposal, the authors have also mentioned the material of Delavay from Yunnan. The authors have also mentioned the material of Delavay from Yunnan.

Indigofera chinensis Metcalf, *Pl. Indica*, 1914, p. 100. Type: China (Yunnan), Taihuo, 27 645, R. W. 2000 (CAL).

I. hainanensis Tsi & Yu, *Pl. Indica*, 1989, p. 174. Type: China (Hainan), Taihuo, 27 645, R. W. 2000 (CAL).

I. chinensis Metcalf, *Pl. Indica*, 1914, p. 100. Type: China (Yunnan), Taihuo, Delavay 200 (CAL).

I. strobilata Metcalf, *New Bot. Mag.* 1912, p. 117. Type: China (Yunnan), Taihuo, Thailand, Mahabul, Kumpung, 200 (CAL; BM, K, SING).

I. hainanensis Tsi & Yu, *Pl. Indica*, 1989, p. 174. Type: China (Hainan), Taihuo, 27 645, R. W. 2000 (CAL). *I. chinensis* Metcalf, *Synonyma* 4: 174, 1989. Type: China, Hainan, Chi-Sao-Tsuei, of Ngai-Hien, Aug. 1-15, 1932 (the Hainan Expedition, Lingnan, University K.K. Lee 445 (PE, R. W. 2000).

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