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An updated synopsis of genus *Chara* L. in India

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ABSTRACT

An updated synopsis of the genus *Chara* L. (Characeae) occurring in India are discussed here in conformity with the available monographs, literatures, related publications, digital herbarium records and online taxonomic databases. The taxonomy and nomenclature are based on the critical review of 51 taxa of *Chara* which include 35 species, 9 varieties and 7 forms so far reported from India. Information related to type citations, and range of distribution of each taxon was also included in discussion. The review further marks 9 taxonomically uncertain taxa of India.

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