

PRELIMINARY SURVEY ON THE LIVERWORT FLORA OF NAGBANI, JAMMU (NORTH - WESTERN HIMALAYAS).

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Abstract: This paper deals with the distribution of liverwort taxa in Nagbani. It includes 9 species belonging to 6 genera, 4 families and 2 orders. The most prominent order is Marchantiales. District Jammu, a part of Jammu and Kashmir State (North- West Himalayas), exhibit remarkable topographic and edaphic diversity and therefore, offers congenial climatic conditions for the luxuriant growth of liverworts. Out of these, three taxa are either endemic or threatened. These are *Asterella angusta* (Steph.) Kachroo, *A. pathankotensis* (Kash.) Kachroo (endemic) and *Reboulia hemispherica* (L.) Raddi (threatened).

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