A new combination in *Habenaria* (Orchidaceae)

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Abstract


INTRODUCTION

The genus *Odisha* and species *O. cleistantha* was described by Misra (2007) based on the specimens collected from Gudugudia, Mayurbhanj district, Odisha, India. Later in 2018, he described *O. cleistantha* subsp. *flabellata* based on the specimens collected from Barigam, Koraput district, Odisha. Presently, the genus *Odisha* S. Misra is synonymous to *Habenaria* Willd. (Orchidaceae, Orchidoideae, Orchideae) and the two taxa *Odisha cleistantha* S. Misra
subsp. cleistantha and *O. cleistantha* subsp. *flabellata* S. Misra is synonymous to *Habenaria malintana* (Blanco) Merr. (Kumar et al. 2018; POWO 2023). Recently, Prasad et al. (2021) described *Odisha bonaccordensis* based on the specimens collected from Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve, Thiruvananthapuram district, Kerala, but this name is unplaced (POWO 2023), because the genus *Odisha* is synonymous to genus *Habenaria*. Therefore, following recent circumscription of *Habenaria*, a new combination is proposed here for *Odisha bonaccordensis* K. Prasad, Jalal & Agrawala under the genus *Habenaria* as *H. bonaccordensis* (K. Prasad, Jalal & Agrawala) R. Kr. Singh, Ch. S. Reddy & Sanjeet Kumar.

**New combination**


**Holotype**: INDIA. Kerala: Thiruvananthapuram district, Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve, on way to Agasthyakudam from Bonaccord, 641 m, 8 November 2016, *K. Prasad 008445* (CAL0000213066!).


**Distribution**: Endemic to southern Western Ghats, India (Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve, Kerala).

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