## Record of Two Genera: *Spirulina* and *Arthrospira* (Nostocales, Cyanophyceae) along River Koshi Basin of Nepal and Bihar<sup>1</sup>

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## **ABSTRACT**

During exploration of cyanophycean flora along river Koshi basin of Nepal and Bihar eight taxa belonging to two genera: *Arthrospira* (*A. gomontiana* and *A. jenneri*) and *Spirulina* (*S. gigantea*, *S. major*, *S. meneghiniana*, *S. princeps*, *S. subsalsa*, and *S.subtilisima*) were encountered. Of these *Arthrospira jenneri* Stizenb ex Gomont and *Spirulina major* Kuetz ex Gomont are new records for the country of Nepal. In addition a new taxon: *Spirulina desikacharii* Jha et Kargupta taxon nov. has been proposed here.

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