

**CHECKLIST OF INDIAN TESSAROTOMIDAE
(INSECTA: HEMIPTERA: HETEROPTERA: PENTATOMOIDEA)**

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Tessaratomids are relatively large bugs under the Superfamily Pentatomoidea comprising of 240 species under 55 genera (Rolston *et al.*, 1993, Rider 2006 and Henry 2009). They are characterized by the proportionately small head, short labium and large sternal plate between the middle and hind coxae. These bugs are usually phytophagous, although some act as agricultural pest such as *Tessaratomya papillosa*, the pest of litchi (*Litchi chinensis*). A few species are consumed by human beings as food in some countries. Some tessaratomids exhibit parental care of their eggs and offspring. A chemical secreted by certain tessaratomids may cause damage if comes in contact with the human skin and may even cause temporary blindness. Indian tessaratomids are represented by 41 species under 14 genera of 2 subfamilies.



***Eusthenus eurytus* Distant**

ORDER: HEMIPTERA
SUBORDER: HETEROPTERA
SUPERFAMILY: PENTATOMOIDEA

Family: Tessaratomidae Stal, 1865

1. Subfamily: Natalicolinae Stal, 1870

1. Genus: *Empysarus* Martin, 1904

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2. Genus: *Neosalica* Distant, 1882

2. *Neosalica pedestris* (Breddin), 1902

2. Subfamily: Tessaratominae Stal, 1865

Tribe: Tessaratomini Stal, 1865

3. Genus: *Asiarcha* Stal, 1870

3. *Asiarcha nigradorsis* (Stal), 1863

4. *Asiarcha oblonga* (Dallas), 1851

4. Genus: *Aurangabada* Distant, 1906

5. *Aurangabada singularis* Distant, 1906

5. Genus: *Carpona* Dorn, 1863

6. *Carpona amplicolis* (Stal), 1863

7. *Carpona amyoti* (Vollenhoven), 1866

8. *Carpona angulata* (Stal), 1863

9. *Carpona stabilis* (Walker), 1868

6. Genus: *Dalcantha* Amoyt & Serville, 1843

10. *Dalcantha dialata* Amoyt & Serville, 1843

11. *Dalcantha inermipes* Stal, 1863

12. *Dalcantha stalii* Vollenhoven, 1866

7. Genus: *Eurostus* Dallas, 1851

13. *Eurostus grossipes* Dallas, 1851

14. *Eurostus vealidas* Dallas, 1851

8. Genus: *Eusthenes* Laporte, 1833

15. *Eusthenes cupreus* (Westwood), 1837

16. *Eusthenes eurytus* Distant, 1887

17. *Eusthenes hercules* Stal, 1870

18. *Eusthenes jason* Stal, 1870

19. *Eusthenes polyphemus* Stal, 1863

20. *Eusthenes robustus* (Lepelletier & Serville), 1825

21. *Eusthenes rubefactus* Distant, 1901

22. *Eusthenes seavus* Stal, 1863

23. *Eusthenes scutelleris* (Herrich-Schaffer), 1838

24. *Eusthenes theseus* Stal, 1870

25. *Eusthenes thoracicus* Distant, 1900

26. *Eusthenes veriegatus* Yang, 1934

9. Genus: *Mattiphus* Amyot & Serville, 1843

27. *Mattiphus jaspideus* (Herrich-Schaffer), 1851

28. *Mattiphus laticollis* (Westwood), 1837

29. *Mattiphus splendidus* Distant, 1921

10. Genus: *Origanus* Distant, 1893

30. *Origanus humerosus* Distant, 1893

11. Genus: *Pycanum* Amyot & Serville, 1843

31. *Pycanum ochraceum* Distant, 1893

32. *Pycanum ponderosum* Stal, 1854

33. *Pycanum rubens*(Fabricius),1794

Division: Tessaratomaria Stal, 1865

12. Genus: *Embolosterna* Stal, 1870

34. *Embolosterna taurus* (Westwood), 1837

13. Genus: *Pygoplatys* Dallas, 1851

35. *Pygoplatys (s.str.)acutaus* Dallas,1851

36. *Pygoplatys(s.str.) minax* Vollenhoven, 1868

14. Genus: *Tessaratomya* (Lepeletier &Serville), 1825

37. *Tessaratomya javanica*(Thunberg), 1783

38. *Tessaratomya malaya* Stal,1870

39. *Tessaratomya nigripes* Dallas, 1851

40. *Tessaratomya papillosa* (Dury),1770

41. *Tessaratomya quadrata* Distant, 1902

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