



Actinidia indica — New Wild Kiwi Species

Actinidia indica, a newly identified wild kiwi species, has been discovered in the Lower Subansiri district of Arunachal Pradesh, marking an important addition to the biodiversity of the Eastern Himalayas. The finding emerged from detailed field surveys and taxonomic research.

The species belongs to the *Actinidia* genus, which includes commercially known kiwi fruits, and its discovery expands the global diversity of this group. It also underscores the ecological richness and scientific importance of the Northeast Himalayan region.

APSC Relevance: Important for biodiversity, species discovery and ecological significance of Northeast India.