



Cyananthus hookeri Rediscovered in India After 158 Years

Cyananthus hookeri, a rare **purple-flowered Himalayan plant**, has been rediscovered in **Chuna Valley** after **158 years**. This is the **first confirmed record** of the species from **Arunachal Pradesh**.

The species was previously documented only from **Sikkim** in **1867** by the renowned botanist **Joseph Dalton Hooker**. The rediscovery highlights the rich floral diversity of the Eastern Himalayas and underscores the importance of biodiversity exploration and conservation.

APSC Relevance: Environment; Biodiversity.