

## FIRST RECORD OF *CUSCUTA CHINENSIS* LAM. (CONVOLVULACEAE) IN THE SIKKIM EASTERN HIMALAYA

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### ABSTRACT

*The Eastern Himalayas host a variety of Cuscuta species (Convolvulaceae); however, their diversity and ecology have yet to be explored. We are reporting Cuscuta chinensis Lam. for the first time in Sikkim, India as well as ecological notes pertaining to the status of this parasitic genus in Sikkim.*

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