

IV. RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

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Botany 2000-Asia — From the Newsletter 3/2 (June 1994) the following:

- Workshop on Piperaceae to be held in 1995. For more information write to Mr. M. van Alphen, UNESCO/ROSTEA, 8 Poorvi Marg, Vasant Vihar, New Delhi-11057, India.
- The second Symposium on the Zingiberaceae will be held between 9 and 12 May, 1995, at the South China Institute of Botany, Guangzhou, China.
- Various training courses in herbarium techniques and curation are being held (see also Fl. Males. Bull. 11/3, p. 212, 217). UNESCO will arrange sponsorship for up to three applicants from a single country. This will cover the cost of travel, accommodation, food, local expenses, and course material. Participants are expected to be conversant in English. The course is aimed at graduate non-taxonomists who run herbaria, technical staff with several years of experience, young teachers especially of colleges and remote universities specializing in plant taxonomy, preference have those who have working experience, but no formal training, and staff of new herbaria, or those under development.

The **Cucurbit Network News** is a bi-annual newsletter aimed at students of *Cucurbitaceae*. Issue 1/1 is of Spring 1994 and contains an introduction to *Ecballium elaterium*, introduction to various professionals, organizations, requests for information and/or material, reviews, calendar for future meetings. Address: POB 560494, Miami FL 33256, U.S.A. Annual; membership in the U.S.A. US\$ 5.00, outside 10.00.

Flora de Filipinas by F.M. Blanco. — A new limited edition was prepared under the auspices of the Augustinian Order, Intramuros, Manila. The boxed set of 3 volumes is bound in red and gold. [Iridos, Spring 1994, 6; Philipp. Fl. Newsl. 6 (1994) 4].

Dr. A.J. WHITTEN has finished **Java & Bali: Ecology, Development and the Future**. Authors are A.J. WHITTEN, R.J. SOERIAATMADJA and S. AFIFF. One feature will be exhaustive lists of plant and animal species endemic to the islands. Publication of the English and Indonesian versions is expected by the end of 1994 / early 1995 by Periplus (English) and Yayasan Olor (Indonesian).

Dr. WHITTEN is also editing an encyclopaedia volume on the Flora of Indonesia for Editions Didier Millet (Singapore) in the **Indonesian Heritage Series**. This comprises 68 highly illustrated spreads. The series will consist of 12 volumes, from architecture to volcanoes, seas to rituals.

Plant systematics research in Australia. Ed 5. (1993) by K.J. COWLEY and C.F. PUTTOCK (Eds.) is a very useful address book with indices on subjects of research, addresses, and specialists.

The Tree Flora of Sabah & Sarawak is progressing well (Newsletter 1/2, 1993). revisional work on 54 of the 59 families (involving about 650 spec.) to be included in the first volume has been started. At the time 29 manuscripts have been submitted, 3 revisions have been completed, 22 revisions are in progress, and 5 will start soon. The volume is scheduled to be published at the end of 1994 or early 1995.

Useful plants of Asia — In BO Dr. A.J.G.H. KOSTERMANS has created an extensive databank containing over 70,000 complete papers stored in 51 metal cupboards.