

Fig. 44. Pheidole sabahna Eguchi: A, major, head in full-face view; B, same, head in profile; C, same, flagellum of antenna; D, same, alitrunk in profile; E, same, waist in profile; F, minor, head in full-face view; G, same, flagellum of antenna; H, same, alitrunk and waist in profile. Partly modified from Eguchi (2000).

full-face view oval (Fig. 44F); occipital carina well developed. Clypeus with a median longitudinal carina, with anterior margin weakly emarginate medially. Eye situated at or in front of midlength of head; distance between mandibular insertion and anterior margin of eye ca. 1.3 times as long as maximal diameter of eye. Frontal carina and antennal scrobe present only around antennal insertion. Antenna with 5-segmented club (Fig. 44G); in full-face view scape extending well beyond posterior border of head by more than its 1/3 length. Promesonotum forming a relatively low dome, usually with a pair of low tubercles, and with a prominence on its posterior declivity (Fig. 44H). Mesopleuron sometimes with an inconspicuous transverse impression. Metanotal groove relatively deep (Fig. H). Propodeal spine horn-like, slender, directed upward, 6-7 times as long as diameter of propodeal spiracle. Petiole cuneiform, 1.0-1.1 times as long as postpetiole; petiolar node in posterior view not emarginate at apex. Postpetiole 2.0-2.2 times as broad as petiolar node.

Head including clypeus and promesonotum almost smooth and shining; remainder of alitrunk punctured distinctly (occasionally smooth and shining dorsally); petiole (excluding weakly punctured lateral face of pedicel) smooth and shining; postpetiole and gaster almost smooth and shining. In profile dorsum of promesonotal dome in front of the prominence on its posterior declivity bearing more than 20 standing hairs, and remainder of dorsum of alitrunk also bearing more than 20 standing hairs (Fig. 44H). Body brown to dark brown.

**Recognition** This species and P. quinata Eguchi are peculiar in having antenna of both the subcastes