

Pheidole (Pheidole) wood-masoni, Chapman and Capco, 1951, *Chicklist of the ants of Asia*, 1:152.

Pheidole (Pheidole) wood-masoni, Tiwari et.al., 1994, *State fauna series 3: Fauna of West Bengal*, part 8:52.

Material examined : 2 ex: India, Meghalaya, East Khasi hills, Umran, 9.vii.81, Coll. R. Mathew.

Diagnostic characters : Light yellow, abdomen brown; head twice as long as broad; mandibles smooth, sparsely punctured, with two acute teeth at apex; clypeus narrow and transverse; antennal carinae short; no antennal groove; head anteriorly finely striate, posteriorly sparsely punctured; pronotum laterally tuberculate; metanotal spines short and erect; abdomen oval.

Length : 2.5-4 mm.

Distribution : INDIA : (East Khasi hills), Meghalaya; spread sparingly through continental India. Elsewhere : Sri Lanka.

85. *Pheidole* sp.

Material examined : India: Meghalaya: East Khasi Hills, Shillong, Polo Hills Forest (1450m.) 1200(minor), 11.iv.1991, Coll. S.K. Ghosh and party.

27. Genus *Trigonogaster* Forel, 1890.

Trigonogaster Forel, 1890, *Ann. Soc. Ent. Belg.* **34**, C.R.P. cviii.

Trigonogaster, Brown, 1973, *In Tropical forest ecosystems in Africa and South America* : 161-185.

Diagnostic characters : o. Head in side view truncate; mandibles narrow, armed with 4 teeth; antennae 11-jointed; metanotum armed with two strong recurved spines; petiole articulated to the abdomen by the whole of its posterior face; abdomen viewed from the side triangular, flat above, the apex of the triangular below.

86. *Trigonogaster recurvispinosa* Forel (Fig.50)

Trigonogaster recurvispinosa Forel, 1890, *Ann. Soc. Ent. Belg.* **34**:110.

Trigonogaster recurvispinosa, Ettershank, 1966, *Aust. J. Zool.* **14** : 73-171.

Material examined : 4 ex: 3 ex, India, Meghalaya, East Khasi hills, Nongkhylllem Reserve Forest, Umtasor, 24.ix.82, Coll. K.P. Singh; 1 ex, Umtasor, 31.iii.84, Coll. C. Radhakrishnan.

Diagnostic characters : Yellowish; head, thorax and abdomen extremely finely and closely punctured, opaque; head rectangular, very slightly emarginate posteriorly; mandibles striate; eyes