

115873 to 115973—Continued.

115948 to 115950. *LUFFA CYLINDRICA* (L.)
Roemer. Cucurbitaceae.

Suakwa towelgourd.

Young fruits eaten cooked; mature fruit fibers used as sponges.

For previous introduction see 114964.

115948. No. 425. *Turai*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936.

115949. No. 357. *Ghi turai* or *Gosara*. From Bombay, March 20, 1936.

115950. No. 426. *Turai*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936.

115951. *LYCOPERSICON ESCULENTUM* Mill. Solanaceae. **Tomato.**

No. 383. From Agra, United Provinces, March 24, 1936. Fruits red, round to laterally elongate, up to 3 inches in diameter. Probably naturalized.

115952. *MOMORDICA CHARANTIA* L. Cucurbitaceae. **Balsam-pear.**

No. 430. *Karela*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936. Fruits bitter, eaten fried; considered medicinal and used in various ways.

115953. *MORUS* sp. Moraceae.

No. 388. From Agra, United Provinces, March 27, 1936. Tree up to 35 feet high, well-formed, with large shiny dark-green leaves. Fruits red-purple, acid, up to 2 inches long and one-fourth of an inch in diameter.

115954. *PHASOLUS AUREUS* Roxb. Fabaceae. **Mung bean.**

No. 366. From Jalgaon, Khandesh, Bombay Presidency, March 21, 1936. Dry beans popular as "split peas," also used as fodder.

115955 to 115958. *RAPHANUS SATIVUS* L. Brassicaceae. **Radish.**

From Agra, United Provinces, March 27 to 29, 1936.

115955. No. 393. *Fezabad Muli*. Leaves said to be small, root about 18 inches long, the upper fourth green and the rest white. Said to grow all year.

115956. No. 396. *Muli*. A form with large leaves; root white, 18 inches long; said to grow the year round. Both leaves and roots are eaten.

115957. No. 413. *Muli*.

115958. No. 438. *Sengar*. Used as vegetable in all of its parts, especially the elongated seed pods.

115959. *RUMEX VESICARIUS* L. Polygonaceae.

No. 355. *Chuka bhaji*. From Bombay, March 20, 1936. Leaves used as a potherb.

115960. *SOJA MAX* (L.) Piper. Fabaceae. **Soybean.**

No. 358. From Bombay, March 20, 1936. Dry beans used as food; the plant and pods used as fodder.

115961 to 115964. *SOLANUM MELONGENA* L. Solanaceae. **Eggplant.**

115961. No. 370. From Jalgaon, Khandesh, Bombay Presidency, March 21, 1936. Fruits yellow, faintly marked with purple, very seedy, 1½ inches in diameter, somewhat elongated.

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115962. No. 434. *Sufed Brinjal*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936. Fruit white, rounded, about 4 inches long; considered very good.

115963. No. 442. *Bhatiya bengan*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936. Fruit said to be purple-black, rounded, and 3 inches in diameter.

115964. No. 364. *Wanga*. From Jalgaon, Khandesh, Bombay Presidency, March 21, 1936. Fruit yellow to gold, rounded, and 4 inches in diameter.

115965. *SPINACIA OLERACEA* L. Chenopodiaceae. **Common spinach.**

No. 415. *Palag*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936. A potherb.

115966 and 115967. *TRICHOSANTHES ANGUINA* L. Cucurbitaceae. **Snakegourd.**

From Agra, United Provinces, March 28 and 29, 1936.

For previous introduction see 115035.

115966. No. 406. *Chachera*. Said to grow to 10 feet and to be a strain from the Bombay region.

115967. No. 443. *Chachinda*.

115968. *VICIA FABA* L. Fabaceae. **Broadbean.**

No. 412. *Bagala*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 28, 1936. A forage crop.

115969 to 115972. *VIGNA* spp. Fabaceae.

115969. *VIGNA SESQUIPEDALIS* (L.) Frurirth. **Asparagus-bean.**

No. 395. *Lobia*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 27, 1936. A strong-growing vine; the green pods and seeds are used as food.

115970. *VIGNA SINENSIS* (Torner) Savi. **Cowpea.**

No. 405. *Lamas*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 28, 1936. Pods 6 inches long, much esteemed as a green vegetable.

115971. *VIGNA SINENSIS* (Torner) Savi. **Cowpea.**

No. 359. *Chawl*. From Bombay, March 20, 1936. Pods and dry beans eaten.

115972. *VIGNA* sp.

No. 441. *Lobia*. From Agra, United Provinces, March 29, 1936. A mixture of varieties of which the green pods are eaten.

115973. *WRIGHTIA TINCTORIA* R. Br. Apocynaceae.

No. 354. From Kaligan, Bombay Presidency, March 18, 1936. A small bushy tree about 8 feet high, with opposite elliptic lanceolate leaves 3 to 5 inches long and large cymes of small white flowers. Native to central and eastern India.

115974. *BETULA CORYLIFOLIA* Regel and Maxim. Betulaceae. **Birch.**

From Japan. Seeds presented by Dr. T. Nakai, Director, Botanical Garden of the Imperial University, Tokyo. Received May 22, 1936.

This is allied to the river birch (*Betula nigra*) of the eastern United States. The