



DISTRIBUTIONAL PATTERN, MORPHOLOGICAL AND TAXONOMICAL DESCRIPTIONS OF MICRASPIIS DISCOLOR FABRICIOUS AND MICRASPIIS VINCTA GORHAM (COLEOPTERA: COCCINELLIDAE) REPORTED FROM DISTRICT HARIDWAR, (U.K.), INDIA

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Present study was carried out to know the distributional pattern, morphological and taxonomical descriptions of *Micraspis discolor* (Fabricious), *Micraspis vincta* (Gorham) and *Micraspis* sp. (Coleoptera: Coccinellidae) from different study sites of district Haridwar, (Uttarakhand), India. From above study, it was observed that among all species, *Micraspis discolor* (Fabricious) is the dominant species and distributed in all sites of district Haridwar. It was also observed that the adult beetle *Micraspis discolor* (Fab.) is about 4.5 mm in length and 3.0 mm in width. The color of elytra is yellowish red with small rounded black spots on each elytron: one toward the proximal end and the other toward the distal end. *Micraspis vincta* (Gor.) is an oval ladybeetle, measuring about 4.5-5.0 mm in length and 3.5-4.0 mm in width. *Micraspis* sp. is medium sized beetle, about 4.2 mm in length and 3.0 mm in width across the middle elytra. The specimens of *Micraspis* sp. do not bear spots over elytra and thus are distinctly different from the other species of genus *Micraspis* viz., *M. discolor* and *M. vincta*.

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