Ptychococcus paradoxus

Taxonomic Authority: (Scheff.) Becc		
Global Assessment 🔲 Regional Assessment	Region: Global	Endemic to region
<u>Synonyms</u>	Common Names	
 * Drymophloeus para Scheff., Ann. Jard. Bot. Buitenzorg 1: 53 (187 Actinophloeus guppy Becc., Webbia 4: 264 (1914). Actinophloeus kraem Becc., Bot. Jahrb. Syst. 52: 30 (1914). Ptychococcus alberti Becc. ex Martelli, Nuovo Giorn. Bot. Ital., n.s., Ptychococcus archbo Burret, J. Arnold Arbor. 20: 209 (1939). Ptychococcus archbo Burret, J. Arnold Arbor. 20: 210 (1939). Ptychococcus arecin (Becc.) Becc., Ann. Jard. Bot. Buitenzorg 2: 9 Ptychococcus elatus Becc., Bot. Jahrb. Syst. 58: 451 (1923). Ptychococcus guppy (Becc.) Burret, Repert. Spec. Nov. Regni Veg Ptychosperma arecin Becc., Bot. Jahrb. Syst. 52: 29 (1914). Ptychosperma parad Scheff., Ann. Jard. Bot. Buitenzorg 1: 83 (187 		
Upper Level Taxonomy		
Kingdom:PLANTAEClass:LILIOPSIDAFamily:PALMAE	Phylum: TRACHEOPHYTA Order: ARECALES	
Lower Level Taxonomy		
Rank: Subpopulation:	Infra- rank name: Authority:	Plant Hybrid

General Information

Distribution

Ptychococcus paradoxus is known from Indonesian Papua and Papua Barat, Papua New Guinea, extending east to the Bismarck archipelago and the Solomon Islands.

Range Size	Elevation	Biogeographic Realm
Area of Occupancy: Extent of Occurrence:	Upper limit: 1600 Lower limit: 0	Afrotropical
Map Status:	Depth Upper limit: Lower limit: Depth Zones Shallow photic Bathyl Hadal Photic Abyssal	 Australasian Neotropical Oceanian Palearctic Indomalayan Nearctic
Population		

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The number of individuals is not known. Reported as not particulary abundant (Baker, W.J. 1318).

Total Po	pulation	Size

Minimum Population Size:

Maximum Population Size:

Habitat and Ecology

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Occurs in coastal or riverside primary and secondary lowland and montane forest, often on limestone. It is also reported from swamp forest/mangrove transition as well as alluvial flats. Associated with Celtis, Sterculia, Pometia, Ficus, Oncospermum, and sundry Rubiaceae.

<u>System</u>		Movement patte	rn	Crop Wild Relative
✓ Terrestrial	FreshwaterMarine	NomadicMigratory	 Congregatory/Dispersive Altitudinally migrant 	☐ Is the species a wild relative of a crop?
Growth From	Definition			
Shrub - large	Perennial sl	hrub (>1m), also	termed a Phanerophyte (>1m)	

Threats

There are no known threats to this species however, general threats to the regions in which it resides include: habitat loss due to timber and agricultural activities, planned highways could be a potential threat because of improved access to the forests and the development and infrastructure planned as part of the transmigration program in Irian Jaya, exacerbate the threats to biodiversity in Irian Jaya, especially in the lowland forests, which are more accessible (WWF 2001).

	<u>Past</u>	Present	<u>Future</u>
13 None	\checkmark	V	\square
Concernation Macauras			

Conservation Measures

P. paradoxus is not known from any protected areas. It is cultivated in the following places: Sibolangit, Garden, Botanic Gardens Singapore, Botanic Gardens Buitenzorg Java and Tiruchirapalli St Joseph's College House Garden India. This palm is not listed on CITES and is not known to have been collected for ex-situ conservation purposes.

	In Place	Needed
3 Research actions		\checkmark
3.2 Population numbers and range		\checkmark
3.9 Trends/Monitoring		\checkmark
4 Habitat and site-based actions		\checkmark
4.4 Protected areas		\checkmark
5 Species-based actions	\checkmark	\checkmark
5.7 Ex situ conservation actions	\checkmark	\checkmark
5.7.1 Captive breeding/Artificial propagation	\checkmark	
5.7.2 Genome resource bank		\checkmark

Countries of Occurrence

		PRESENCE					ORIGIN					
	Year Round	Breeding Season only		migrant		Extinct	Presence uncertain	Native	Introduced I	Re- ntroduc	Vagrant ced	Origin uncertain
Indonesia	V							\checkmark				
Papua	\checkmark							\checkmark				
Papua New Guinea	\checkmark							\checkmark				
Bismarck Archipelago	\checkmark							\checkmark				
North Solomons	\square							\checkmark				
Papua New Guinea	\checkmark							\checkmark				

Solomon Islands	V				\square		
South Solomons	V				\checkmark		

General Habitats	<u>Score</u>	Description	<u>Major</u> Importance
1 Forest	1	Suitable	Unset
1.6 Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Moist Lowland	1	Suitable	Unset
1.8 Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Swamp	1	Suitable	Unset
1.9 Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Moist Montane	1	Suitable	Unset

Ecosystem Services

Insufficient Information available

Species provides no ecosystem services

Species Utilisation

Species is not utilised at all

Purpose / Type of Use	Subsistence	National	International
16. Other	\checkmark		

The strong outer wood (the part with black fibres) is used for making bows.

Trend in the level of wild offtake/harvest in relation to total wild population numbers over the last five years: Trend in the amount of offtake/harvest produced through domestication/cultivation over the last five years: CITES status: Not listed

IUCN Red Listing

Red List Assessment:	(using 2001 IUCN system)	Least Concern	(LC)
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Red List Criteria:

Date Last Seen (only for EX, EW or Possibly EX species):

Rationale for the Red List Assessment

P. paradoxus has a wide range and is known from relatively recent collections, indicating it is still extant. The range does not meet the area threshold for a threatened category and the population is not thought to be in decline at present. Therefor a rating of Least Concern is given.

Reason(s) for Change in Red List Category from the Previous Assessment:

Genuine Change	Nongenuine Change		No Change
 ☐ Genuine (recent) ☐ Genuine (since first assessment) 	 New information Knowledge of Criteria Incorrect data used previously 	 □ Taxonomy □ Criteria Revisio □ Other 	 Same category and criteria Same category but change in criteria
Current Population Trend: Stable		Date of Assessment:	04/06/2009

Name(s) of the Assessor(s): Loftus, C.

Evaluator(s):

Notes:

% population decline in the past:
Time period over which the past decline has been measured for applying Criterion A or C1 (in years or generations):
% population decline in the future:
Time period over which the future decline has been measured for applying Criterion A or C1 (in years or generations):
Number of Locations:
Number of Mature Individuals:

Severely Fragmented:

Bibliography

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