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**Keywords:** mtCOI, Amplicon sequencing, *Thrips tabaci*, population genetics, phylogenetic analysis

## Introduction

Thrips is a widespread polyphagous insect pest from the order Thysanoptera. Several species of thrips cause serious damage to crops worldwide (Mouden et al., 2017; Stuart et al., 2011). Among them, the onion thrips, *Thrips tabaci* Lind., is an economically important pest that costs significant monetary losses to various crops each year (De Kogel et al., 2015). In addition to direct damage to the crop, this insect is also a vector of two devastating viruses, Iris Yellow Spot Virus (IYSV), and Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus (TSWV). *T. tabaci* is considered as a complex of genetically differentiated and widespread insect pests adapted to diverse climatic conditions (Brunner et al., 2004). The genetic variation within this species has a positive impact on their adaptability under diverse climatic conditions. This genetic variation is also linked to their

reproductive modes, such as thelytoky, arrhenotoky, and deuterotoky (Kobayashi and Hasegawa 2003; Nault et al., 2006; Gawande et al., 2017), as well as vector competence (Jacobson et al., 2013).

To study the genetic variation in thrips, various genes were targeted and analyzed for phylogenetic study and species discrimination (Buckman et al., 2013; Rebijith et al., 2013). DNA barcoding is a novel system of species identification using the cytochrome c oxidase subunit 1 mitochondrial gene (cox1 or COI) as a standardized single molecular marker for the identification, comparison and categorization for animal species (Hebert et al., 2003). One prerequisite of the DNA barcoding method is that species identification be linked to a voucher from a curated biological collection. This allows for follow-up and the development of a method for verifying species identification.

In Thysanoptera, targeting mitochondrial genome is most suitable approach for molecular identification as well as species discrimination irrespective of life stages, sex and polymorphism (Asokan et al., 2007), discriminating cryptic species (Glover et al., 2010; Rebijith et al., 2013), biotypes (Shufran et al., 2000), haplotypes and host and geographic associated genetic differences (Rebijith et al., 2013; Brunner et al., 2004). Three distinct lineages (T-Tobacco associated, L1 and L2-Leek associated) in *Thrips tabaci* based on mitochondrial data were proposed by (Brunner et al., 2004; Kobayashi et al., 2013; Jacobson et al., 2016). Using mtCOI sequences, microsatellite markers and vector competence in accordance with transmission efficiency of the viruses in *thrips* population was documented (Jacobson and Kennedy 2013). DNA barcoding using mitochondrial cytochrome c oxidase I gene partial fragments (mtCOI) for species-level identification has received widespread support as an additional technique to clear up taxonomic ambiguities. According to the International Barcode of Life consortium, the



genetic variety below the level of a species has also been estimated using mitochondrial genes. Its value as a quick and reliable instrument for species identification is widely acknowledged in a huge range of animal taxa around the world (International Barcode of Life Consortium 2023). This method has also been applied to thrips identification, phylogenetic analysis, population structure and invasive genetics (Tyagi et al., 2017).

In India, phylogenetic analyses based on the mtCOI gene were carried out, revealing different biotypes of thrips on different hosts and exhibiting differences in their mtCOI gene (Asokan et al., 2007). The existence of heteroplasmy identified in *T. tabaci* by analyzing mtCOI haplotypes from different geographic regions in India. An exhaustive analysis of genetic diversity and population genetic variation of *T. tabaci* in India is yet to be done. Additionally, its correlation to other countries needs to be studied. Up until now, no population genetics analysis on *T. tabaci* has been reported in India (Gawande et al., 2017). Though much work has been done on thrips genotyping using mitochondrial mtCOI markers, the extent of crypticness within *T. tabaci* is still unknown. With the advent of next-generation sequencing (NGS), characterizing the level of variation through amplicon sequencing of the mtCOI gene in the population has become much easier. This technique allows for the processing and characterization of a large amount of sequence data, making it simple to capture sequence variations within a single gene fragment. Therefore, we aimed to unravel the genetic variation and structure of *T. tabaci* on *Allium* hosts from different geographic locations across India using amplicon sequencing of the mtCOI gene. In this study, we characterized the extent of genetic crypticness within the onion-infesting *T. tabaci* population in India using advanced bioinformatics tools.

## Materials & Methods

**Ethics Statement:** *Thrips tabaci* sampling from *Allium* host did not involve any endangered species.

# ***Specimen Collection***

*T. tabaci* adults were collected from *Allium* hosts at 10 locations among different climatic regions across India between 2017 and 2019, as mentioned below in table 1. Collected specimens were preserved in 95% ethanol and stored at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  prior to DNA extraction.

## ***PCR Amplification of a COI Fragment and amplicon sequencing***

Thrips were removed from ethanol stock using fine brush. Preserved thrips were dried for 5 minutes and total genomic DNA was extracted using DNeasy Blood & Tissue Kit (Qiagen GmbH, Germany). A 525 bp fragment of the mitochondrial cytochrome oxidase I was amplified using primer pair COI-1F TGTTACGGCTCACGCTTTTG and COI-3R-TAAAACAGGGTCCCCTCCCC (Gawande et al., 2017). PCR was performed in 20  $\mu\text{l}$  reaction volume, with the following cycling conditions;  $95^{\circ}\text{C}$  (3 min), 35 cycles of  $95^{\circ}\text{C}$  (40 s),  $48^{\circ}\text{C}$  (1 min),  $72^{\circ}\text{C}$  (2 min); and final extension of  $72^{\circ}\text{C}$  (5 min). The PCR reaction yielded a 525 bp amplicon. The PCR products from each locality were examined on 1.5% agarose gel electrophoresis. PCR products were purified using PCR purification kit (Qiagen) and equal concentration of each sample was sent for amplicon sequencing to the commercial firm. Amplicon gene sequencing was performed at AgriGenome Labs Private Limited (Kerala, India) on an Illumina MiSeq 250 x 2 platform (Illumina, Inc., San Diego, CA, USA). Read quality check parameters such as base quality score distributions, average base content per read and GC distribution in the reads, check for over-represented sequences, Adapter trimming were used for quality analysis.

## ***Preparation of data set for genetic diversity analyses***

MtCOI gene sequences were retrieved from NCBI-GenBank which were collected from India. Due to significant sequence length variation, two groups were formed and processed separately for computational analysis. Group A consists sequences having maximum length of 516 nucleotides whereas group B consists 675 nucleotide long sequences. Group A and group B have 25 and 22 sequences respectively (Table 2 and 3). Multiple sequence alignment was done using CLUSTALW in MEGA-X. Mean genetic distance was calculated using uncorrected p-distance model in MEGA-X. Analysis was carried out in MEGA X using maximum likelihood method on the Jukes-Cantore model (Tamura et al., 2013). Genetic diversity analysis was done using DNASP v5 and Arlequin 3.5 tools.

## SNP analysis

The raw amplicon sequence data was checked with respect to quality using FASTQC (<https://github.com/s-andrews/FastQC/releases/tag/v0.12.1>). The sequences were aligned taking isolate DOGR\_1 (KF724977.1) as reference sequence using Bowtie2 (<https://bowtie-bio.sourceforge.net/bowtie2/index.shtml>). SNP calling and filtering was done using BCFtoolsmpileup (<https://samtools.github.io/bcftools/bcftools.html>).

# Results

## Sequencing Data

Data generated from amplicon sequencing used for phylogenetic analysis. The sequence produced by Illumina sequencing was used to find out the homologs of DOGR isolate using NCBI BLAST. The result obtained from BLAST given closest homologs of DOGR new isolate. These homologs were used for phylogenetic analysis. A raw amplicon sequencing statistics is given in Table 4. The highest number of reads were generated in

sample from Sikkim (247,362) and lowest reads were from Tamilnadu (204,698). GC content was ranged between 33.6 to 34.5 %. More than 84 % reads were passed the 30 Phred score which indicated good quality of data. Phred quality score numerically expresses the accuracy of each nucleotide. Higher Q number signifies higher accuracy of data. Raw sequencing data was submitted NCBI SRA database (PRJNA917098).

### ***Genomic distribution of SNPs***

We obtained partial (420 bp) mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) Cytochrome Oxidase-I (COI) sequences for *T. tabaci* sampled from *Allium* hosts for 8 different climatic regions of India. Single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) within the partial COI gene differentiated *T. tabaci* populations into 30 mtDNA haplotypes in total, with 17 haplotypes in group A and 13 haplotypes in group B.

Locality wise percent variation was calculated from total reads recorded. Among all localities, 307\_Palampur represents highest nucleotide polymorphism followed by 306\_Tamilnadu, 305\_Maharashtra, 303\_Haryana and 302\_Gujarat. Compared to other localities, low level of mitochondrial genetic variation was observed in 304\_Delhi isolates. We examined the frequency and distribution of SNPs polymorphisms at different locations in India. Numerous insertions and deletions of varying lengths were found in the genomic positions of different localities. At the genome position 300-400 for each locality, highest variation was noticed. Besides, lowest variation was observed at the genomic position 150-250. We concluded that, the range of diversity at nucleotide level reported within mtCOI gene is from (1-420 bp) which was used in this study using high throughput sequencing (Fig. 1, 2).

### ***Molecular phylogenetic analysis***

Phylogenetic trees inferred that molecular diversity in same geographical region is possible if the environmental conditions are favourable. Favourable environmental condition led to higher molecular diversity. Molecular evolution process might not get affected by geographical proximity in various subpopulations as sequences have clustered significantly different (not clustered as per their geographical locations). Both phylogenetic trees most sequences form individual nodes suggesting highly diverse population. In Fig.3, northern and north-eastern (Sikkim strain) sub-populations have similarities as they form one clade which is most distant from isolate of central region of India (Madhya Pradesh) whereas southern sub-population (from Karnataka) forms one clade indicating presence of uniformly evolving population. Diversity in north-eastern sub-population can be seen as two nodes grouped differently. Similarly strains from eastern India (Odisha and West Bengal as well as Bihar).

In Fig.4, newly sequenced isolates were closely related irrespective of geographical locations indicating stabilizing of *thrips* population (302\_Gujrat, 305\_Maharashtra, 309\_Tripura, 306\_Tamilnadu). Strains from West Bengal have uniformity in composition as they group with different geographical locations where as majority of strains isolated from Karnataka have more diverse compositions. Most population forms individual nodes indicating increasing molecular diversity in group B as well.

### ***Genetic diversity analysis***

Genetic diversity parameters such as number of polymorphic sites (S), number of haplotypes (H), haplotype diversity (Hd), nucleotide diversity (Pi), and average number of nucleotide differences (K) were determined in DnaSP 5.12.01 (Librado & Rozas 2009). All sequence analysis of group A suggests that the population is stable with long evolutionary

history with high  $H_d$  and  $P_i$  values ( $H_d > 0.5$  and  $P_i > 0.005$ ) (Table 5). Eastern population of group A and group B as well as northern population of group A indicate the same. Southern population of group A have high  $H_d$  values with low  $P_i$  values ( $H_d > 0.5$  and  $P_i < 0.005$ ) representing population bottleneck followed by rapid growth in population (Supplementary File 1). Western population of group A shows recent population bottleneck or very few mtDNA lineage as they have low  $H_d$  and  $P_i$  values ( $H_d < 0.5$  and  $P_i < 0.005$ ) (Grant & Bowen 1998).

High  $N_m$  values indicating high gene flow were observed across population in Group A as compared to Group B. North-eastern and eastern Indian sub-populations with respect to northern and southern sub-populations from group A and western population with northern subpopulation from group B show  $N_m$  values less than 1 indicating low gene flow which show there might be higher genetic differentiation occurring in these sub-population within specific geographical territories.  $F_{st}$  values are observed to be below 0.5 which implies the overall similarity between various subpopulations of group A and group B. The low  $F_{st}$  value of between western, southern and northern subpopulations with north-eastern sub-populations in group A indicates low degree of differentiation amongst both subpopulations.

Haplotype networks using TCS algorithm were constructed in PopART (Fig. 5, 6). The networks show that group A consists of 8 haplotypes with 307\_Himachal Pradesh, 303\_Haryana as most distant haplotypes. In group B, with presence of 7 haplotypes; most distant haplotype is from Tripura. Some states represent more haplotypes like Maharashtra (KF724977.1\_Maharashtra), Delhi (MN594551.1\_Delhi) and West Bengal that may be indication of stabilizing population or successful niche formation by the species. Study with larger dataset is required to study the diversity and molecular evolution especially in these geographical regions.



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## 216 Discussion

217 Identification of Thrips species (Insecta, Thysanoptera) using conventional methods is difficult.  
 218 In the current study, DNA barcoding was utilized to help characterize thrips species from a large  
 219 samples collected in onion fields. This study presents results from the informative region of the  
 220 COI partial gene in *Thrips tabaci* sampled from 8 different geographical regions in India. Based  
 221 on the survey data, it was found that throughout the selected localities, there is significant  
 222 differences among them. The phylogenetic tree generated in the study shows high degree of  
 223 diversity with more and new gene sequences which suggests that Indian thrips isolates continue  
 224 to be distinct and more diverse. Diverse study of grouping thrips species with higher intraspecific  
 225 genetic variation inferred from mtCOI gene predominantly in *T. tabaci* reported from different  
 226 countries on important vegetables and crops host (Kadirvel et al., 2013; Li et al., 2020).

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228 In the present study, nucleotide sequences of mtCOI gene were used for population  
 229 genetics analysis that led to characterisation of within species diversity, geographical distribution  
 230 of a species and tracing the phylogeographic origin (Lombaert et al., 2014). In the literature, up  
 231 till now only 28 haplotypes of mtCOI gene of *Thrips tabaci* were reported worldwide. These  
 232 haplotypes were retrieved from nearly 282 nucleotide sequences. It includes Asia, Europe,  
 233 Australia and America and other 23 countries (Iftikhar et al., 2016). This study investigated the  
 234 Single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) within the partial COI gene differentiated *T. tabaci*  
 235 populations into 30 mtDNA haplotypes in total, with 17 haplotypes in group A and 13  
 236 haplotypes in group B. It represents higher genetic variation or diversity of haplotypes in Indian  
 237 population of *T. tabaci*. Among all localities, the mtCOI region of thrips from Palampur

represents highest nucleotide polymorphism followed by Tamilnadu, Maharashtra, Haryana and Gujarat. Compared to other localities, low level of mitochondrial genetic variation was observed in Delhi isolates.

Our study represents a comprehensive sequence data analysis with respect to molecular phylogeny and genetic diversity aspects. In order to achieve the computational based results of genetic diversity, two groups i.e. A & B were formed with respect to the variation in length of mtCOI gene of *thrips*. High Nm values indicating high gene flow were observed across population in Group A as compared to Group B. This analysis revealed that these groups showed recent population bottleneck with varying Hd and Pi values (Grant and Bowen 1998). Small Hd and Pi values (Hd 0.5 and Pi 0.005) indicate a recent population bottleneck or founder event by a single or a few mtDNA lineages; high Hd and low Pi values (Hd > 0.5 and Pi 0.005) indicate a population bottleneck followed by rapid population increase and mutation accumulation; low Hd and high Pi (Hd 0.5 and Pi > 0.005) represent geographically subdivided populations; High Hd and Pi values (Hd > 0.5 and Pi > 0.005) indicate a large stable population with a long evolutionary history or secondary contact between distinct lineages (Grant & Bowen 1998). This helps us to note that, genetic drift might confer in the change of diversity and number of haplotypes (Balloux et al., 2003). *T. tabaci* populations from central and southern region of India exhibited high levels of genetic differentiation and diversity compared to other populations, while the north-eastern region showed low genetic flow. The presence of isolation by distance and absence of recent gene flow suggests that genetic drift plays an important role in genetic differentiation. The data from this study extended our knowledge on diversity of *T. tabaci* in India, and afford idea about the management practices against it.

The pairwise *FST* and gene flow (*Nm*) among different zones i.e. West, South, East and North of Indian subcontinent were calculated. Significant difference was observed in Group A and Group B, where Group A compromises southern and western part of India shows high *Nm*. For Group B also high *Nm* was recorded which compromises southern part. Presence of  $Nm < 1$ , reflects low level of gene flow and ultimately higher genetic variation such as in north-eastern and northern part (Tiroesele et al., 2014). Varying level of gene flow might due to the geographical and genetic distance. On the other hand, *Fst* values were found to be under 0.5 for majority of the samples which is relative measure of genetic variation that revealed overall similarity. But for Group A compromising northern, north-eastern and western subpopulation, *Fst* value  $< 0.5$  suggesting low level of genetic variability.

Haplotype networks generated in this study suggest that Delhi and Maharashtra states represent more haplotypes. Also, these result support molecular phylogeny result which states that, geographical proximity cannot be used to measure molecular evolutionary patterns in mtCOI. The haplotype networks show that group A consists of 8 haplotypes with 307\_Himachal Pradesh, 303\_Haryana as most distant haplotypes. In group B, with presence of 7 haplotypes; most distant haplotype is from Tripura. Some states represent more haplotypes like Maharashtra (KF724977.1\_Maharashtra), Delhi (MN594551.1\_Delhi) and West Bengal that may be indication of stabilizing population or successful niche formation by the species.

There have been reports on link between traits, reproductive modes and distribution of genetic variation from different countries where particularly mode of reproduction of thrips population affects the diversity among them (Westmore et al., 2013; Gawande et al., 2017; Jacobson et al., 2013, Nault et al., 2014, Jacobson et al., 2016). In this study, we could not have

highlighted the presence of arrhenotokous and thelytokous populations which helps to rule out low or high genetic diversity as this part need to explore for Indian thrips.

## Conclusions

Our investigation showed agreement as per previous reports, that both IYSV and *Thrips tabaci* isolates are most diverse in Indian subcontinent. This is the first study to examine the population genetic structure of *T. tabaci* populations using amplicon sequencing of mtCOI gene. MtCOI gene targeted here revealed genetic structure among the populations that corresponded to both the geographic locations where the populations were collected, and the grouping of individuals observed in the phylogenetic analysis conducted with mtCOI sequences.

## Competing Interests

The authors declare there are no competing interests.

## Author Contributions

Suresh Gawande conceived the idea and designed the experiment, Tushar Gawai and Sharwari Sadawarte performed experiment and analysed data, Kiran Khandagale, Anusha R prepared Manuscript, Abhijeet Kulkarni and Avinash Ade supervised the experiment and reviewed the manuscript. Suresh Gawande and Durgesh Kumar Jaiswal helped in improving MS. All authors reviewed manuscript and approved the final draft.

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# Figure Captions

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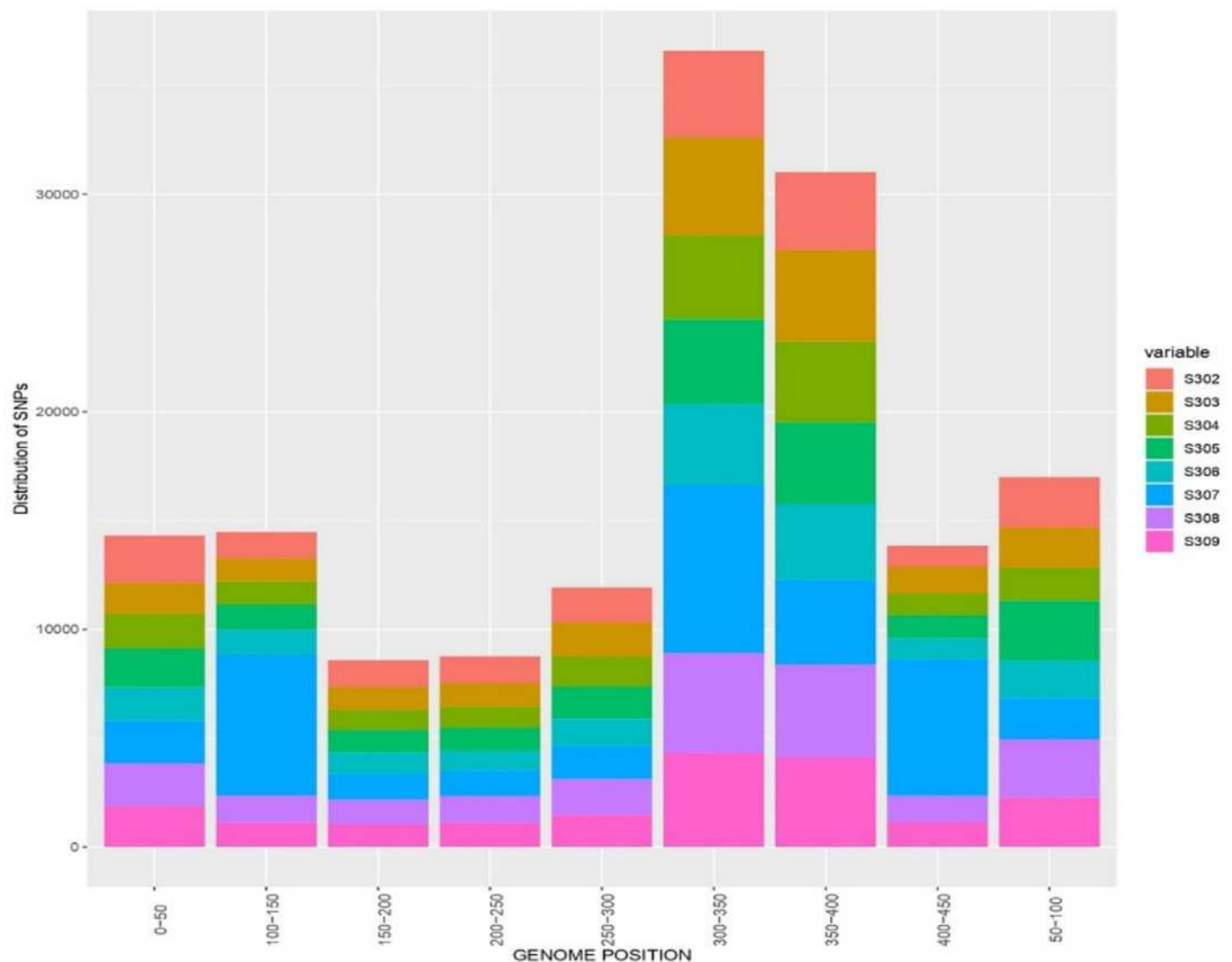
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**Fig. 5: Haplotype network visualized in POPART for group A** Numbers in bracket on the edges signify number of mutations and KF724977.1-Maharashtra represents predominant haplotype. Network has 8 haplotypes

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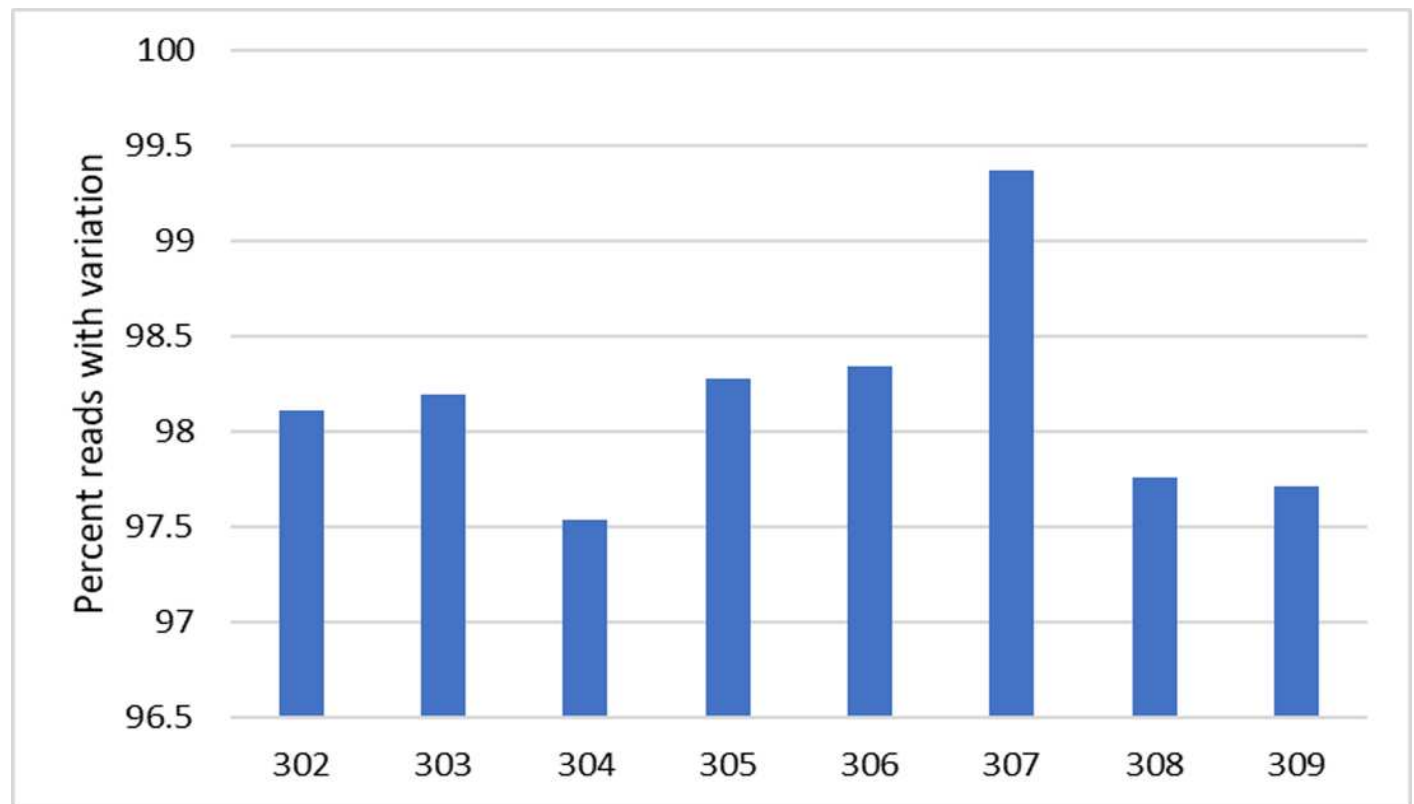
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# Figure 2

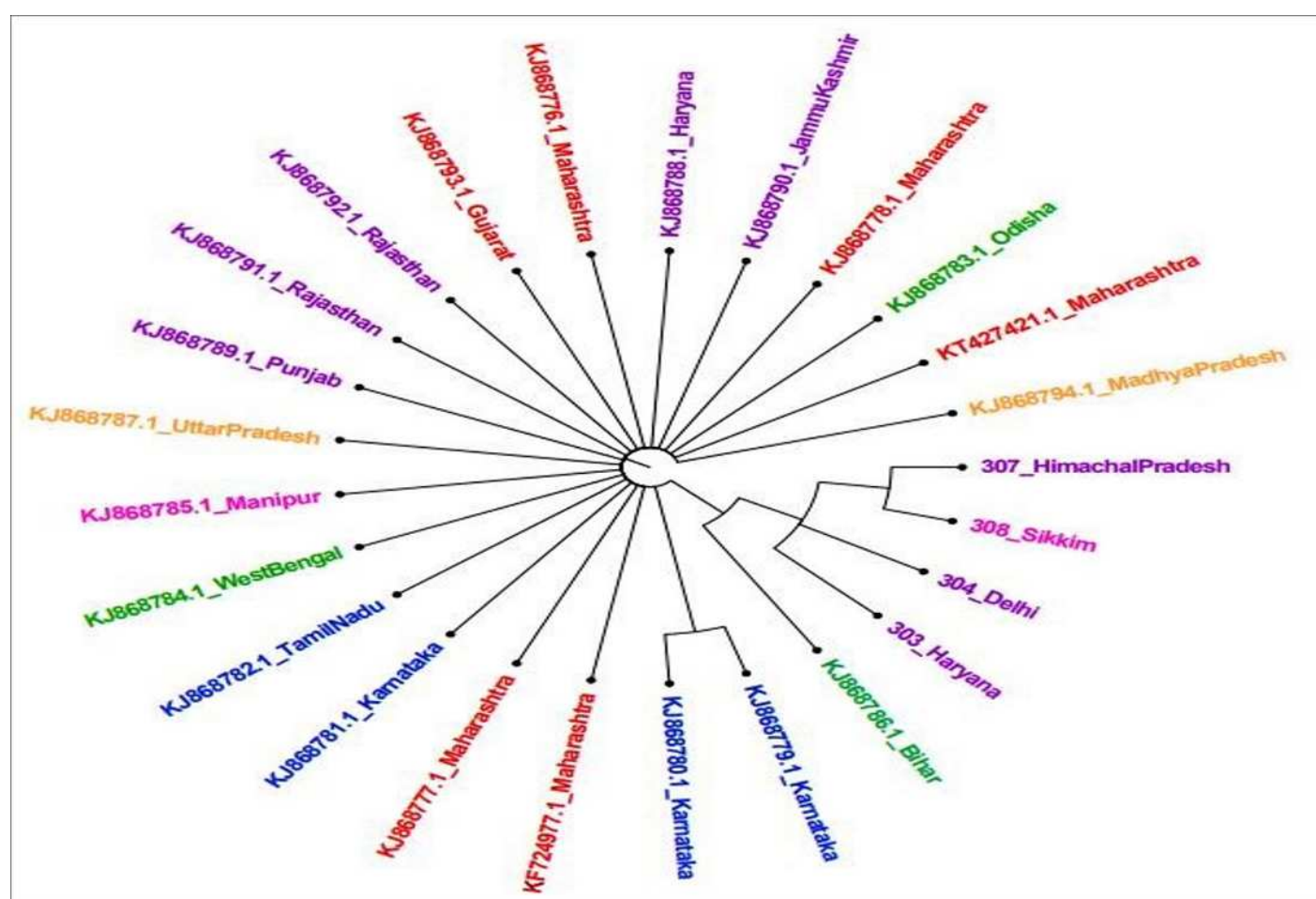
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# Figure 3

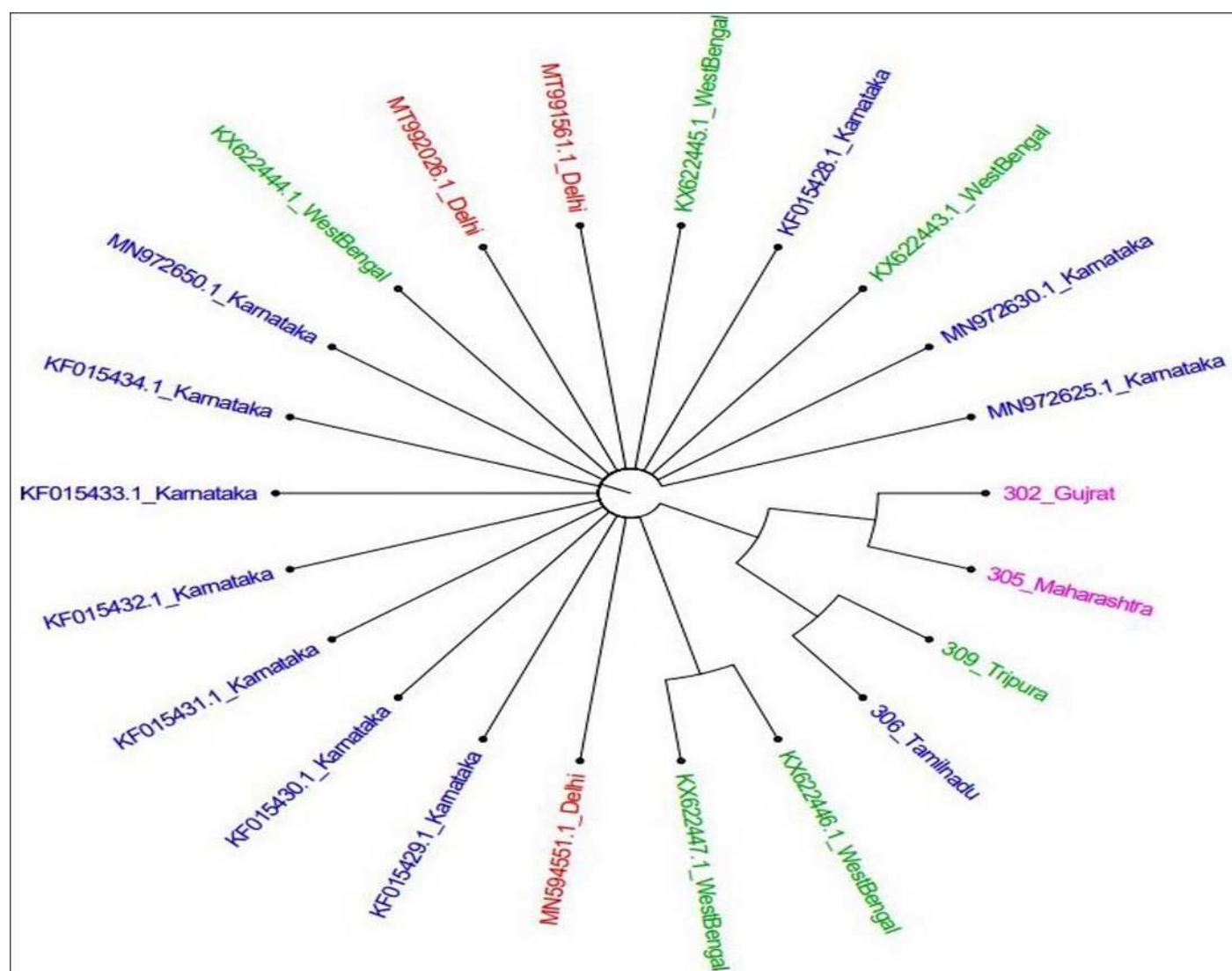
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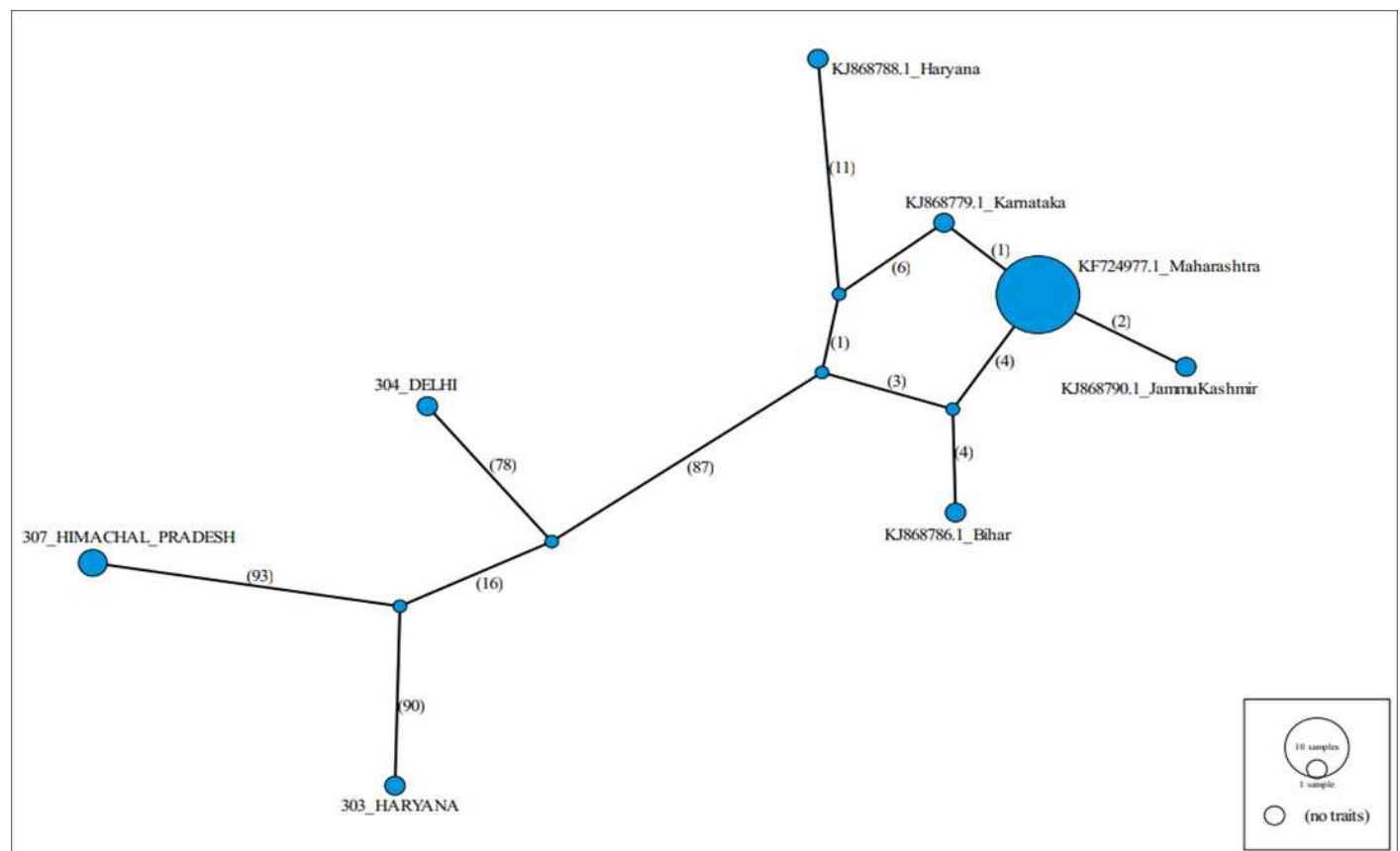
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Phylogenetic analysis of Group B using Maximum likelihood method. Blue represents sequences from southern India, green from eastern India, red from Northern India, and pink from western India.



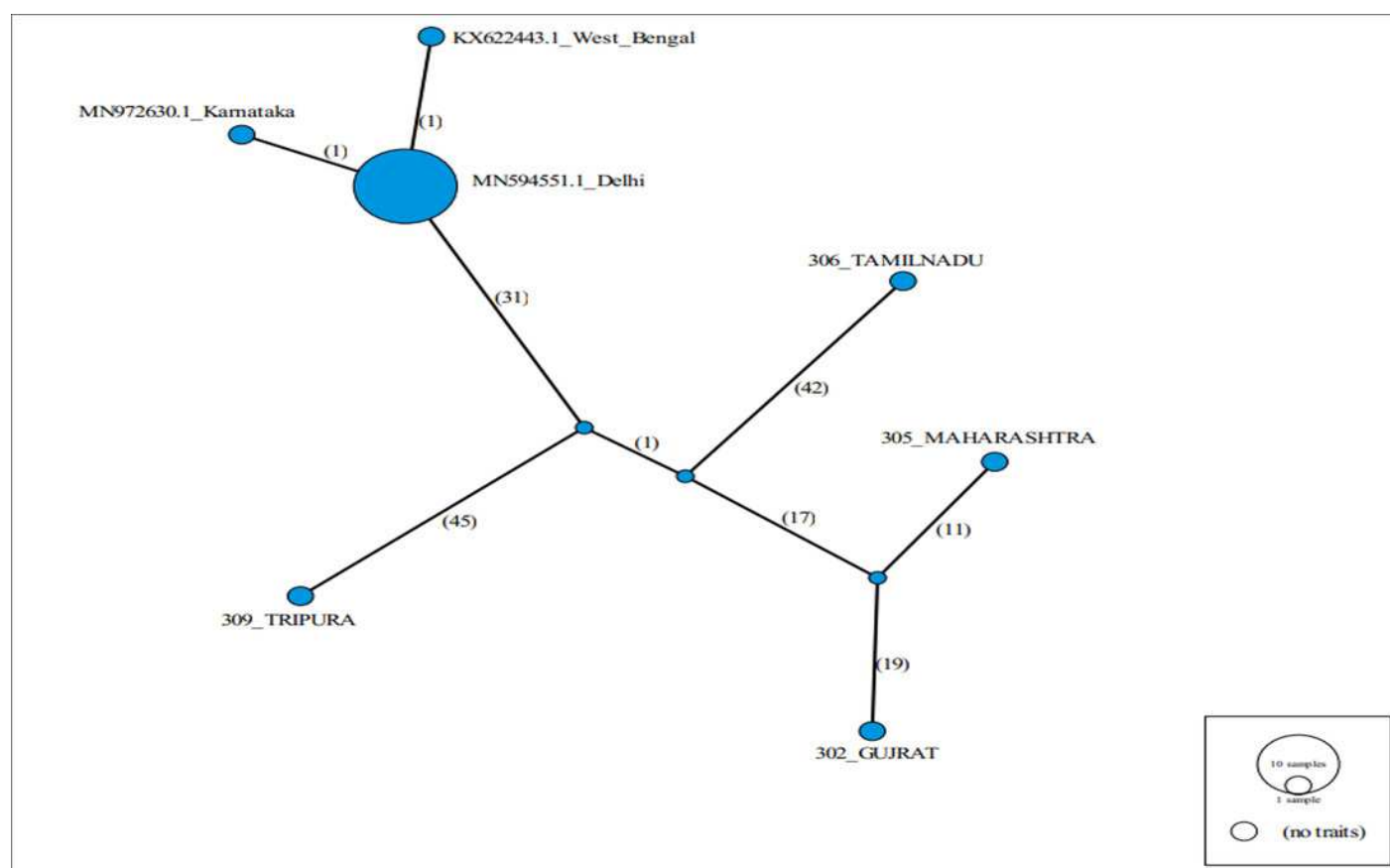
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# Figure 6

Haplotype network visualized in POPART for group B Numbers in bracket on the edges signify number of mutations and MN594551.1-Delhi represents predominant haplotype. Network has 7 haplotypes.



# **Table 1**(on next page)

Detail information of collection of *Thrips tabaci* from India

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| Agroclimatic Zone | State            | Collection site | Longitude (E)<br>Latitude (N) |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| I                 | Himachal Pradesh | Palampur        | 32°06'02.0"N 76°32'47.6"E     |
| III               | Sikkim           | Gangtok         | 27°19'11.1"N 88°36'07.4"E     |
|                   | Tripura          | Lembucherra     | 23°54'24.0"N 91°18'47.6"E     |
| VI                | Delhi            | IARI            | 28°38'10.6"N 77°9'27.5"E      |
|                   | Haryana          | Karnal          | 29°44'55.4"N 76°59'48.5"E     |
|                   | Gujarat          | Junagadh        | 21°30'22.7"N 70°26'57.8"E     |
| VII               | Maharashtra      | Rajgurunagar    | 18°50'34.6"N 73°53'04.8"E     |
| VIII              | Tamilnadu        | Coimbatore      | 11°0'32.2"N 73°56'4.33"E      |

# **Table 2**(on next page)

Distribution of Group A

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**Table 2: Distribution of Group A**

| <b>Accession ID</b> | <b>Geographical location</b> | <b>Sub-population group</b> |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| KF724977.1          | Maharashtra                  | Sub-population 1: WEST      |
| KJ868776.1          | Maharashtra                  |                             |
| KJ868777.1          | Maharashtra                  |                             |
| KJ868778.1          | Maharashtra                  |                             |
| KT427421.1          | Maharashtra                  |                             |
| KJ868793.1          | Gujarat                      |                             |
| KJ868792.1          | Rajasthan                    |                             |
| KJ868791.1          | Rajasthan                    |                             |
| KJ868779.1          | Karnataka                    | Sub-population 2: SOUTH     |
| KJ868780.1          | Karnataka                    |                             |
| KJ868781.1          | Karnataka                    |                             |
| KJ868782.1          | Tamilnadu                    |                             |
| KJ868783.1          | Odisha                       | Sub-population 3: EAST      |
| KJ868784.1          | West Bengal                  |                             |
| KJ868786.1          | Bihar                        |                             |
| KJ868788.1          | Haryana                      | Sub-population 4: NORTH     |
| KJ868789.1          | Punjab                       |                             |
| KJ868790.1          | Jammu Kashmir                |                             |
| 303                 | Haryana                      |                             |
| 304                 | Delhi                        |                             |
| 307                 | Himachal Pradesh             |                             |
| KJ868794.1          | Madhya Pradesh               | Sub-population 5: CENTRAL   |

|            |               |                              |
|------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| KJ868787.1 | Uttar Pradesh |                              |
| KJ868785.1 | Manipur       | Sub-population 6: NORTH-EAST |
| 308        | Sikkim        |                              |

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# **Table 3**(on next page)

Distribution of Group B

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**Table 3: Distribution of Group B**

| NCBI GenBank<br>Accession ID | Geographical Location | Sub-population          |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| MN594551.1                   | Delhi                 | Sub-population 1: NORTH |
| MT991561.1                   | Delhi                 |                         |
| MT992026.1                   | Delhi                 |                         |
| MN972625.1                   | Karnataka             | Sub-population 2: SOUTH |
| MN972630.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015428.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015429.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015430.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015431.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015432.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015433.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| KF015434.1                   | Karnataka             |                         |
| 306                          | Tamilnadu             |                         |
| KX622444.1                   | West Bengal           | Sub-population 3: EAST  |
| KX622445.1                   | West Bengal           |                         |
| KX622446.1                   | West Bengal           |                         |
| KX622447.1                   | West Bengal           |                         |
| KX622443.1                   | West Bengal           |                         |
| 309                          | Tripura               |                         |
| 302                          | Gujrat                | Sub-population 3: WEST  |
| 305                          | Maharashtra           |                         |

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# **Table 4**(on next page)

Raw amplicon sequencing data

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| Localities  | Total read bases (bp) | Total reads | GC(%) | AT(%) | Q20(%) | Q30(%) |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| Junagadh    | 71,282,820            | 236,820     | 34.04 | 65.96 | 92.73  | 86.52  |
| Karnal      | 70,529,116            | 234,316     | 34.53 | 65.47 | 90.5   | 84.24  |
| Delhi       | 66,422,874            | 220,674     | 34.05 | 65.95 | 93.34  | 87.39  |
| Maharashtra | 64,141,294            | 213,094     | 33.87 | 66.13 | 94.22  | 88.41  |
| Tamilnadu   | 61,614,098            | 204,698     | 34.37 | 65.63 | 91.73  | 85.59  |
| Palampur    | 66,067,694            | 219,494     | 33.61 | 66.39 | 93.62  | 87.75  |
| Sikkim      | 74,455,962            | 247,362     | 33.7  | 66.3  | 95.25  | 89.83  |
| Tripura     | 67,244,604            | 223,404     | 33.73 | 66.27 | 95.04  | 89.25  |

# **Table 5**(on next page)

Genetic diversity analysis of group A and B

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**Table 5: Genetic diversity analysis of group A and B**

| Population    | sequences analyzed | Number of polymorphic sites (S) | Haplotype diversity (Hd) | Nucleotide diversity (Pi) | Average number of nucleotide differences (K) | Number of haplotypes | Group |
|---------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|
| All sequences | 25                 | 640                             | 0.69                     | 0.46                      | 74.94                                        | 17                   | A     |
| WEST          | 8                  | 3                               | 0.25                     | 0.0014                    | 0.75                                         | 2                    |       |
| SOUTH         | 4                  | 2                               | 0.83                     | 0.0022                    | 1.16                                         | 3                    |       |
| EAST          | 3                  | 11                              | 1.00                     | 0.014                     | 7.33                                         | 3                    |       |
| NORTH         | 6                  | 640                             | 1.00                     | 1.65                      | 195.4                                        | 6                    |       |
| CENTRAL       | 2                  | 0                               | 0.00                     | 0                         | 0.00                                         | 1                    |       |
| NORTH EAST    | 2                  | 499                             | 1.00                     | 1.16                      | 247.00                                       | 2                    |       |
| All sequences | 22                 | 1035                            | 0.87                     | 0.20                      | 62.72857                                     | 13                   | B     |
| NORTH         | 3                  | 78                              | 1.00                     | 0.25                      | 0.33                                         | 3                    |       |
| SOUTH         | 11                 | 584                             | 0.49                     | 0.12                      | 59.09                                        | 4                    |       |
| EAST          | 5                  | 20                              | 9.0                      | 0.00683                   | 4.40                                         | 4                    |       |
| WEST          | 2                  | 666                             | 1.0                      | 0.39333                   | 118.00                                       | 2                    |       |

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