

## New Ginger Lily - *Hedychium zubeengargianum*

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### Why in News?

Recently, Botanists formally described a new ginger lily species, *Hedychium zubeengargianum*, discovered in Shillong.

- **Family** - Zingiberaceae.
- **Genus** - *Hedychium* (ginger lilies).
- **Discovery** - *First identified in 2018* at the Botanical Survey of India's garden, Shillong, but the discovery was formally published on July 21, 2026

### Morphological Features

- **Appearance** - Fragrant, creamy-white wild ginger lily.
- **Aroma** - Highly sweet-scented wild flower.



- **Nomenclature-** Zubeen Garg, for his extraordinary contributions to Indian music, cinema, and environmental conservation.
- Another species, *Osbeckia zubeengargiana*, was named after him in 2026 from Manas National Park grasslands.

## Reference

[India Today | Ginger Lily](#)