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KANCHI GANDHI A PILLAR OF NOMENCLATURAL WISDOM RECEIVES SERVICE RECOGNITION

There are almost 170000 names in the Compositae family. To any of us who has ever been navigating the treacherous waters of nomenclature when deciding the right name for a species, the name of Kanchi Gandhi, the gate keeper at IPNI sounds like a beacon of light signaling safe shore. Kanchi's authoritative and expeditious answers to all questions nomenclatural has gained him broad worldwide recognition.

He has recently received the Lifetime Achievment Award

by the Botanical Survey of India, in appreciation for his outstanding service in the field of Plant Taxonomy and Botanical Nomenclature, making him the second botanist receiving such distinction, paralleling an earlier and similar recognition, the *Distinguished Service Award* bestowed upon him by the American Society of Plant Taxonomists in 2010.