

Body elongate. Upper surface with semi-erect black bristles and appressed pale pubescence. Head in lateral view higher than long, frons convex, a distinct notch between it and base of tylus; head in dorsal view 0.62 (♂) or 0.56 (♀) x as long as basal width of pronotum; ocular index 1.28 (♂) or 1.57 (♀). Antennae long and slender, proportions between segments 40:80:45:? (♂), 45:85:47:39 (♂), 1st segment with erect pale bristles, 1.54 (♂) or 1.67 (♀) x as long as diatone, 2nd 3.1 (♂) or 3.15 (♀) x as long as diatone, 1.9 (♂) or 1.8 (♀) x as long as basal width of pronotum. Rostrum extending beyond hind coxae. Pronotum about 1.8 (♂) or 2.0 (♀) x as broad as long in middle, lateral margins slightly insinuated. Hemelytra longer than abdomen. Legs with pale appressed hair covering, tibial spines short and pale.

Male genitalia in Fig. 1 D–I. Right style with small dentate basal lobe. Sensory lobe of left style narrow, dentate. Spiculum of aedeagus gracile, boat-like.

Habitat: On *Crataegus* sp. in a hilly forest.

Differential diagnosis: Belonging to the *Phytocoris moestus* – group, which is recognized by the edentate boat-like aedeagal spiculum. The species of this group are distinguished according to the following key:

- 1 Pale grayish species, hemelytra with minute dark irroration. Spiculum (Fig. 2 E–F) broad. Left style (Fig. 2 B–C) with edentate blunt sensory lobe. Right style as in Fig. 2 A. Afghanistan *P. paghmanus* LINNAVUORI, 1974
- Dark species. Hemelytra largely fuscous. Genitalia different 2
- 2 Eyes in male large, about as broad as synthlipsis. Left style (Fig. 2 G) with very long ligulate sensory lobe. Spiculum as in Fig. 2 H. Middle Asia ... *P. moestus* REUTER, 1903
- Eyes in males smaller. Left style different 3
- 3 Ocular index 1.35–1.44 (♂). Sensory lobe of left style (Fig. 2 J–K) rounded. Right style and spiculum as in Fig. 2 I and L–M. Turkey *P. falcatus* LINNAVUORI, 1984
- Ocular index 1.28 (♂). Left style (Fig. 1 E–F) with narrow prominent sensory lobe *P. dashtanus* sp.n.

***Phytocoris (Eckerleinius) kandovanus* sp.n. (Fig. 3 A–I)**

Types: Iran, Tehran, Kandovan, alt. 2550 m., male holotype, 18 male and female paratypes, 24.VII.1995, Linnavuori. Holotype and paratypes in Plant Pests and Diseases Research Institute, Tehran, paratypes also in coll. Linnavuori.

Description: Length 6.75–7.0 mm (♂), 5.25–5.5 mm (♀). Shiny. Grayish ochraceous. Median stripe on tylus, spots on lora and stripes bordering antennal tubercles blackish; frons with several dark brown lateral arcs and a pale median stripe, extending across pronotum to tip of scutellum; eyes pale brownish gray. 1st antennal segment brown with pale irroration, other segments yellow–brown. Pronotum with the