

Sacciolepis indica

Glenwoodgrass

Sacciolepis indica (L.) Chase

Family: Poaceae

Description: Annual or perennial, weakly rhizomatous, branching at base, 20 inches long, slender, smooth. Leaves 4 inches long by 0.15 inches wide, smooth. Sheaths smooth, shorter than internodes. Ligules membranous (magnification required to view). Inflorescences 3 inches long by 0.2 inches diameter, often tinged purple. Seeds brown, very small. *Sakkion*, a small bag, *lepis*, a small scale, describing bag-like second glume of florets^(24, 70).

Distribution: Native to the Old World tropics. Naturalized in open, wet areas in grasslands, trails, and forest openings at low to mid-elevations on Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, Maui, and Hawai'i. First collection on Maui, 1908⁽⁷⁰⁾.

Environmental impact: Infests openings and trails in wet forests, displacing low-growing natives.



Management: Probably sensitive to glyphosate.