## Lot - 14 (Part VI)

## ( ... In continuation of Lot - 14 Part V )

Body with 14-15 black vertical bands (wider than the lighter interspaces). Pectorals and ventral fins rounded and more expanded with outer $\mathbf{3}$ - $\mathbf{4}$ rays thickened; often with an axillary scale. Dorsal fin speckled. Caudal fin emarginated and with ' $V$ ' - shaped diffused bands.
........... Schistura rupicula

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Schistura rupicula: Lateral view; showing rounded snout with mid-laterally swollen cheeks (red arrow); bulging and more dorsally placed eyes (yellow arrow); 14-15 black vertical bands (wider than the lighter interspaces); rounded and more expanded pectoral and ventral fins (blue arrows) with outer $3-4$ rays thickened; speckled dorsal fin and emarginated caudal fin with ' $V$ ' - shaped diffused bands.


Schistura rupicula: Ventral view head region; showing 3 pairs barbels, 2 pairs rostrals and 1 pair maxillary (red arrows); rostral one being shorter, broad-based and thicker; wide mouth; hypertrophied lips, the lower lip being with 2 vertically striated ventro-lateral prominences (black arrows) separated by a shallow groove, inner side of upper lip with 2 dorso-lateral depressions (yellow arrows) for lodging the ventro-lateral halves of the lower lip and inner midcentral point of the upper lip with 2 tuberculated prominences (green arrows), fitting into the grooved mid-ventral part of the lower lip.

Body with 9-10 black vertical bands (almost equal to or wider than the lighter interspaces). Dorsal fin with 1 (or 2) black spots at the anterior base and the more than $3 / 4^{\text {th }}$ of fin rays tinged black. Caudal fin forked.


Schistura savona: Lateral view; showing 9-10 black vertical bands (almost equal to or wider than the lighter interspaces) [blue arrows]; 1 (or 2) black spots at the anterior base of dorsal fin (red arrow) with more than $3 / 4^{\text {th }}$ of fin rays tinged black and forked caudal fin.

