Character	Notopterus	Monopterus	Mystus	Etroplus	Parambassis	Macrognathus	Sperata	Systomus F	Puntius (Garra L	epidocephalichthys Hyporhamphus
Dorsal fin present	1	(1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1
Adipose dorsal fin present	0	() 1		0	1	1	0	0	0	0 0
Spinous dorsal fin present	0	(0	1	1	. 0	1	1	1	0	0 1
Predorsal spines	0	(0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Dorsal fin rays	8	(8	34	23	0	8		7	10	8 16
Pectoral fin present	1	(1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1
Pectoral fin rays	9	(4	14	18	10	5	15	9	12	10 17
Ventral fin present	1	(1	1	1	. 1	1	1	1	1	1 1
Ventral fin united	1	(0	1	1	. 0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Ventral fin rays	58	(6	10	11	. 0	5	18	7	9	7 6
Anal fin present	1	(1	1	1	. 1	1	1	1	1	1 1
Anal fin rays	58	(5	28	18	20	13	12	5	6	9 21
Dorsal fin united with caudal fin	1	(0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 0
Anal fin united with caudal fin	1	(0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 0
Caudal fin round	0	(0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 1
Caudal fin forked	0	() 1	0	1	. 0	1	1	1	1	0 0
Caudal fin truncated		(0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 0
Scales present	1	(0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0 0
Scales on head	0	(0	0		. 0	0	0	0	0	0 1
Scales in lateral series	0	(0	38	0	0	0	29	28	34	0 1
Barbels present	0	() 1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1 0
Number of barbels	0	(6	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	5 0
Body eel like	0	-	L 0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 0
Body compressed	1	() 1	1	1	. 1	1	1	1	1	1 0
Body round	0	-	L 0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0 1
Dorsal fin in front of ventral fin		() 1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	1 0
Mouth projecting in beak like process		(0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 1
Mouth terminal	1	() 1	1	1	. 0	1	1	1	1	1 0
Mouth upwardly projected	1		L 0	0	1	. 0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Mouth ventrally situated	0	-	L 0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 0
Sucktorial disk present	0	(0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0 0
Adhesive thoracic apparatus present	0	(0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Eye diameter to head length ratio	0.2258	0.066			0.3158				0.4	0.1579	0.1463
Caudal peduncle length to depth ratio			0.3708		2	0.3334				1.666	2.1428 1.75
Body depth to standard length ratio	0.2763	0.028	0.2842	0.5555	0.4655	0.1153	0.1334	0.4434	0.4	0.2068	0.1555