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Keywords: Satyrium, MaxEnt niche, the potential suitable habitat, environmental variables.

Global warming is one of the crucial environmental problems facing the world today (1). The global temperature has risen by about 1 in the past century, especially in the past 30 years, causing some florae species to move to higher altitude areas, as reported by the Fifth Assessment Report (AR5) of the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (2). According to the different suggestions that the future change in climate has an impact on the distribution range of species, resulting in the loss of biodiversity and the endangered species will be extinct (3). After climate change, the prediction of the appropriate habitat of species was considered important in the future (4). In research on the geographical distribution range of plants affected by climate change, the species distribution model (SDM) uses the distribution data of species and environmental variables in their habitat to predict the basic niche of species. These data are combined with environmental data in different periods for simulating the potential distribution areas of species in those periods (5). Among many SDMs, the maximum entropy model (MaxEnt) has the advantages of fast modeling, wide use and high accuracy, and stability even with a small sample size (6, 7). It can better anticipate the possible distribution of species compared with other SDMs (8).

Satyrium (Orchidaceae) is rare and endangered plant genus with about 92 species, mostly found on continents of Africa, 5 species found in Madagascar and 4 species are found in Asian countries (9). Just 3 species are found in China alone, namely, Satyrium ciliatum(S. ciliatum), Satyrium nepalense (S. nepalense), and Satyrium yunnanense (S. yunnanense) (10). Satyrium is also used for traditional herbal medicinal purposes; such as the traditional healthcare centers in India used the tubers of S. nepalense to make energy tonics and it is mostly used for curing different types of fevers.

The number of *Satyrium* resources has been rapidly diminishing. Its population has a fragmented distribution and is in a rare and endangered state. It is facing extinction because of the value of herbal medicine and the serious deterioration of the ecological environment in recent times (9). The changes in climate will result in changes in the biological phenology period. This in turn will result in changes in the geographical distribution of species and a quickening of the rate of species extinction. Therefore, it is necessary to adequately understand the changing trends of the geographical distribution of species under the conditions of climate change and to develop relative protection strategies.

The diversity of *Satyrium* species were predicted by employing the MaxEnt model:

(1) In current climatic conditions, the geographical diversity of *Satyrium* species in China were studied, and relationship between these distributions and environmental changes were studied. The main environmental variables limiting their potential geographically diversity was outlined.

(2) The potential geographical distribution and shifting trend of the centroid of suitable areas in China were predicted under the scenario of future climate change. To offer a scientific foundation for the appropriate protection and utilization of Satyrium, the conceivable geographical distribution, dynamic change features, and affecting environmental elements in China under different climate conditions were defined.

2 Materials and Methods

2.1 Data of the Species occurrence

The distribution data of S. ciliatum, S. nepalense, and S. yunnanense in China were obtained from the National Specimen Information Infrastructure (http:// www.nsii.org.cn/), the National Plant Specimen Resource Center (http://www.cvh.ac.cn/) and the Global Biodiversity Information Fcility (https://www.gbif.org/). The geographical coordinates were not recorded in detail in some distribution points. Thus, Google Earth (http://ditu.google.cn/) was used to obtain the geographical coordinates of the points. Points with repeated latitude and longitude and missing points with latitude and longitude were deleted. In the study, a total of 44, 20, and 16 distribution data samples of S. ciliatum, S. nepalense , and S. yunnanense were gathered and utilized to run the MaxEnt model simulation (Fig. 1).

2.2 Environmental variables

A total of 22 variables were studied including 19 climatic variables, 3 topographical variables, and 22 initial environmental variables with a resolution of 2.5' (Table S1). The three topographic parameters (alt, slope, and asp) were downloaded with a resolution of 2.5' from World Climate data (http://www.worldclim.org/). Bioclimatic characteristics obtained from the WorldClim (version 2.0) database were utilized to build distribution prediction models (11). The predictions for the Geographical distributions of *S. ciliatum*, *S. nepalense*, and *S. yunnanense* were carried out by the BCC-CSM2-MR climate system model, developed by the National Climate Center (12). The World Climate Database (*http://www.worldclim.org/*) was used for downloading the future climate data 2050 (2041–2060) and 2070 (2061–2080). New future pathways based on socioeconomic assumptions are called Shared Socioeconomic Pathways (SSPs) that describe various levels of socioeconomic development. These were used in the study (13). The SSPs include the high-forcing scenario (SSP5-8.5), the medium-forcing scenario (SSP2-4.5), and the low-forcing scenario (SSP1-2.6). The high and low emission scenarios are represented by the SSP5-8.5 and SSP1-2.6 in the study , respectively.

It is necessary to analyze environmental variables before they can be used for niche simulation calculations to avoid the multicollinearity of the variables causing over-fitting of the model because many bioclimatic variables are spatially related (14). ArcGIS10.2 was employed to examine the relationships between these 22 bioclimatic variables (Table S1). When the correlation coefficient between two climatic variables was more than 0.80, climate variables of greater ecological relevance were kept. For the prediction of the distribution of *S. ciliatum, S. nepalense,* and *S. yunnanense*, a total of 7, 9, and 8 variables with coefficients greater than 0.8 (15) were maintained, respectively (Fig. 2).

2.3 MaxEnt model ensembles

MaxEnt software (http://www.cs.princeton.edu/, version 3.4.1) was employed for creating the *Satyrium* habitat suitability model. Models that produced 75% of the occurrence records were used for training, while those that produced 25% of the occurrence records were employed for testing (16).

The number of iterations and the number of background points were both limited to 1000 and 10,000,

respectively. The model's performance was improved by repeating the ensemble processes using 10-fold cross-validation (8). The logistical output of the MaxEnt software, which revealed environmental appropriateness for S. ciliatum, S. nepalense, and S. yunnanense with values no higher than one, was used to create the final prospective distribution map. For additional analysis, the MaxEnt results were combined in ArcGIS 10.2, and the prospective habitat categories were regrouped into four groups: highly suitable habitat (0.50-1.00), moderately habitat (0.30-0.50), poorly suitable habitat (0.10-0.30), and unsuitable habitat (0-0.10).

2.4 Evaluation of the MaxEnt Model

Data from the receiver operating characteristic (ROC) curve (17) were applied to aids the model's accuracy. It is shown that model simulation results were excellent when the values of the area under the AUC (area under the receiver operating characteristics) (ROC) curve were >0.9 (8, 18).

2.5 Core distributional shifts

Under current and future climate circumstances, the SDM toolbox is used to calculate shifting trends in the area of appropriate habitat based on Python, as well as changes in the centroid of the area of suitable habitat (19). The toolbox is a Python-based GIS application (20). Using the toolbox, researchers calculated shifting trends in areas of appropriate habitats and compared the centroids of the regions between current and future climate conditions. The study provides information about the core shifts and distribution of *S. ciliatum*, *S. nepalense*, and *S. yunnanense*. These species' diversity was reduced to a single centroid (central) point, and a vector file was constructed to show the amount and direction of expected change over time. Finally, we looked at how the centroid changed with different SDMs to see if there were any distribution shifts.

3 Results

3.1 SDM and its accuracy

The ROC curve was used to assess the potential distributions of S. ciliatum, S. nepalense, and S. yunnanense, and the AUC values of training data were 0.988, 0.981, and 0.958, respectively (Fig. 3). This showed that the distribution records of S. ciliatum, S. nepalense, and S. yunnanense predicted based on the MaxEnt model were not random, and the prediction of the model was reliable.

3.2 Important environmental variables

The choice of environmental variables is the key to determine the accuracy of modeling. Therefore, it is necessary to evaluate which environmental variables contribute the most to the model. Temperature was the main environmental variable affecting *S. ciliatum*, *S. nepalense*, and *S. yunnanense*, according to the MaxEnt model's variable contribution rate (Fig. 2). Bio3(52%) and Bio4(12.7) for *S. ciliatum* reached 64.7%. Furthermore, Bio3 (61.8%) and Bio4 (14%), both for S. nepalense, achieved 75.6%, much greater than the other contribution rates. Bio3(28.6%) and Bio6(54.3%) for *S. yunnanense* were 72.9%. This reveals that Bio3, Bio4, and Bio6 were the most important influencing variables in *S. ciliatum*, *S. nepalense*, and *S. yunnanense* distribution.

The Jackknife test was used to determine the impact of environmental variables on *S. ciliatum*, *S. nepalense*, and *S. yunnanense* potential distribution (Fig. 4). When a single variable was applied in relation to *S. ciliatum*, the jackknife test showed that the most influential environmental variable is Bio4 followed by Bio3 and Bio11. When a single variable was applied in relation to *S. nepalense*, the most influential variable was Bio3 followed by Bio4 and Bio19. When a single environmental variable was applied in relation to *S. yunnanense*, the most influential variable was Bio4 followed by Bio6 and Bio3. The most important variables influencing *S. ciliatum* distribution were Bio3, Bio4, and Bio11. *S. nepalense* distribution was influenced by the variables were Bio4, Bio3, and Bio19. Bio4, Bio3, and Bio6 are the most important variables influencing the distribution of *S. yunnanense*.

The response curve was used to calculate the thresholds (existence probability > 0.5) for the main bioclimatic parameters (Fig. 5). In relation to *S. ciliatum*, Bio3 ranged from 44 to 51.5, Bio4 ranged from 420 to 580, and Bio11 ranged from 1 to 13.

In relation to *S. nepalense*. Bio3 ranged from 44 to 53, Bio4 ranged from 400 to 580, and Bio19 ranged from 25 to 80 mm.

With regard to S. yunnanense, Bio3 ranged from 41 to 53, Bio4 ranged from 300 to 600, and Bio6 ranged from -6 to 6.

3.3 Potential distribution of Satyrium ciliatum, Satyrium nepalense, and Satyrium yunnanense.

S. ciliatum are mainly distributed in Southwest China (Fig. 6). Highly suitable habitats are located at the border of Yunnan and Sichuan. Eastern Yunnan and Southern Sichuan have moderately appropriate environments. Poorly appropriate habitats cover a broad area, primarily in Northern and Central Yunnan, Southern Tibet, Western Sichuan, and Western Guizhou. There is also a sporadic distribution in Western Guangxi.

S. nepalense are mainly distributed in Southwest China. Highly suitable habitats are distributed in Central Yunnan. Western and eastern Yunnan, as well as southern Sichuan, have moderately appropriate environments. Poorly suitable habitats are located in Southern Yunnan, Western and Southern Sichuan, Southern Tibet, Western Sichuan, and Western Guangxi.

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The total suitable area for *S. yannanense* is more than that of *S. nepalense* and *S. ciliatum* according to the mentioned climatic conditions (Table 1). These areas account for 9.35%, 6.43% and 3.39%, respectively, the total land area of china (960x10⁴ km²) (Table 1). The highly suitable habitat area for *S. ciliatum* in the 2050s for SSP1-2.6, will be 9.92x 10⁴ km², the moderately suitable habitat area will be 11.39x 10⁴ km², and the total habitat area will be 49.36x 10⁴ km². In the 2050s, for SSP5-8.5, the highly suitable habitat area for *S. ciliatum*'s will be 12.19x 10⁴ km². In the 2070s, for SSP1-2.6, the 9.74x 10⁴ km² area will be a highly suitable habitat for *S. ciliatum* species, the moderately suitable habitat will be 11.36x 10⁴ km², and 48.1x 10⁴ km² will be the total habitat area. In the 2070s, for SSP5-8.5, the highly suitable habitat area for *S. ciliatum*'s will be 21.94x 10⁴ km², the moderately suitable habitat is will be 15.34x 10⁴ km², and 48.1x 10⁴ km² will be the total area for habitat. The habitat which is more suitable will be 15.34x 10⁴ km², 69.46 x 10⁴ km² will be the total area for habitat. The habitat which is more suitable will be found in Sichuan, Yunnan, Southern Tibet, and the border between Chongqing and Sichuan (Fig. 07).

The area of the highly appropriate habitat of *S. nepalense* in the 2050s for SSP1-2.6 will be 13.07 x 10^4 km², the area of moderately suitable habitat will be 18.53 x 10^4 km², and the area of total habitat will be 76.42 x 10^4 km². In the 2050s, for SSP5-8.5, the area of *S. nepalense* highly appropriate habitat will be 11.95x 10^4 km², the area of moderately suitable habitat will be 18.29x 10^4 km², and the area of total habitat will be 74.75 x 10^4 km². The amount of highly appropriate habitat for *S. nepalense* in the 2070s for SSP1-2.6 will be 11.51x 10^4 km², the area of moderately suitable habitat will be 18.98x 10^4 km², and the area of total habitat will be 11.51x 10^4 km². The area of moderately suitable habitat will be 18.98x 10^4 km², and the area of total habitat will be 16.60x 10^4 km². In the 2070s, for SSP5-8.5, the area of *S. nepalense* highly suitable habitat will be 16.60x 10^4 km², the area of moderately suitable habitat will be 27.43x 10^4 km², and the area of total habitat will be 97.52 x 10^4 km². It will mostly be located in Yunnan, Sichuan, Southern Tibet, and along the border between Sichuan and Chongqing (Fig. 7).

In the 2050s, for SSP1-2.6, the total highly suitable area for the habitat of *S. yunnanense* will be 20.91 x 10^4 km², 21.84 x 10^4 km² area will be moderately suitable habitat, and the total habitat area will be 123.31 x 10^4 km². In the 2050s, for SSP5-8.5, 18.25x 10^4 km² area will be highly suitable for the habitat of *S. yunnanense*, the moderately suitable habitat area will be 24.31x 10^4 km², and the total habitat area will be 124.33 x 10^4 km² (Fig.07). In the 2070s, for SSP1-2.6, the area of highly appropriate habitat for *S. yunnanense* will be 19.58 x 10^4 km², the amount of moderately suitable habitat will be 23.60x 10^4 km², and

the total habitat area will be $111.53 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$. In the 2070s, for SSP5-8.5, the area of *S. yunnanense* highly appropriate habitat will be $25.12 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, the area of moderately suitable habitat will be $31.79 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, and the area of total habitat will be $163.3 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$. The majority of the region will be in Yunnan, the middle of Sichuan, Southern Tibet, and the border between Sichuan and Chongqing (Fig. 7).

3.4 Future changes in appropriate habitat areas and variations in highly suitable centroid distribution.

According to Table 2, using SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. ciliatum* in the 2050s will be 0.06 x 10^4 km², the acquired area will be 9.65 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 10.79 x 10^4 km². The gained territory will be in Southern Tibet and Northwest Sichuan. According to SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. ciliatum* in the 2050s will be 0.09 x 10^4 km², the acquired area will be 12.63 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 10.74 x 10^4 km². The gained territory will be in Southern Tibet and Northwest Sichuan. The new territory will be in Southern Tibet, Northwest Sichuan, and Northern Yunnan. Under SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. ciliatum* in the 2070s will be 0.07 x 10^4 km², the gained area will be 9.56 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 10.75 x 10^4 km². The new territories will be in Southern Tibet, Central Yunnan, and Northwest Sichuan. According to SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. ciliatum* in the 2070s will be 0.33 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 10.48 x 10^4 km². The new territory will be in Southern Tibet, Northwest Sichuan, and Northwest Sichuan in the 2070s will be 0.21 x 10^4 km², the acquired area will be 26.33 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 10.48 x 10^4 km². The new territory will be in Southern Tibet, Northeast Yunnan, and Northwest Sichuan (Fig. 8).

Using SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. nepalense* in the 2050s will be $0.36 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, the gained area will be $13.43 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, and the stable area will be $62.53 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$. The gained territory will be in Southern Tibet and Northwest Sichuan. According to SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. nepalense* in the 2050s will be $0.77 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, the acquired area will be $12.42 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, and the stable area will be $61.97 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$. The gained territory will be in Southern Tibet and Northwest Sichuan. According to SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. nepalense* in the 2070s will be $0.60 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, the gained area will be $12.70 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, and the stable area will be $62.13 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$. The gained territory will be in Southern Tibet and Northwest Sichuan. According to SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. nepalense* in the 2070s will be $0.60 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, the gained area will be $12.70 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, and the stable area will be $62.13 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$. The gained territory will be in Southern Tibet and Northwest Sichuan. Under SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. nepalense* in Southern Tibet, Northwest Sichuan, and Southwest Gansu will be $1.63 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, the gained area will be $36.86 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$, and the stable area will be $60.77 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2$ in the 2070s (Fig. 8).

According to SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. yunnanense* in the 2050s will be 2.38 x 10^4 km², the gained area will be 34.15 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 88.65 x 10^4 km². Southern Shaanxi, Southern Shanxi, Northern Henan, and Central Shandong will be the new provinces. According to SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. yunnanense* in the 2050s will be 7.50 x 10^4 km², the acquired area will be 41.16 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 83.05 x 10^4 km². Southern Tibet, Northern Sichuan, Southern Shaanxi, Southern Gansu, Northern Henan, and Central Shandong will gain territory. According to SSP1-2.6, the lost area for *S. yunnanense* in the 2070s will be 6.18 x 10^4 km², the gained area will be 26.87 x 10^4 km², and the stable area for *S. yunnanense* in the 2070s will be 6.18 x 10^4 km², the gained area will be 26.87 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 84.47 x 10^4 km². Southern Xinjiang, Southern Tibet, Northern Sichuan, Northern Henan, and Southern Shandong will gain territory. According to SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. yunnanense* in the 2070s will be 6.18 x 10^4 km², the gained area will be 26.87 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 84.47 x 10^4 km². Southern Xinjiang, Southern Tibet, Northern Sichuan, Northern Henan, and Southern Shandong will gain territory. According to SSP5-8.5, the lost area for *S. yunnanense* in the 2070s will be 15.69 x 10^4 km², the acquired area will be 89.29 x 10^4 km², and the stable area will be 74.35 x 10^4 km². Southern Xinjiang, Southern Tibet, Northern and Eastern Guizhou, Southern Gansu, Southern Shaanxi, Southern Hebei, and Western Shandong would gain territory (Fig. 8).

3.5 Core distributional shifts

Fig. 9 shows that the centroid of *S. ciliatum's* current habitat is located in Central Yunnan Province at 99deg84'E and 27deg27'N. Under SSP1-2.6, the centroid of appropriate habitat will shift to 99deg35'E and 27deg87'N in the 2050s, and 98deg69'E and 27deg94'N in the 2070s. Under SSP5-8.5, the centroid of the future appropriate region is located at 98deg86'E and 28deg01'N in the 2050s. Under SSP5-8.5, the acceptable area's centroid will relocate to 98deg15'E and 28deg91'N in the 2070s. In summary, we can see that the core distribution of *S. ciliatum* will shift to the northwest under both future emission trajectories (SSP1-2.6, SSP5-8.5).

The centroid of the existing habitat for S. nepalense is located in Southern Yunnan Province at 99deg28'E

and 27deg15'N. (Fig. 9). Under SSP1-2.6, the centroid of the appropriate region will shift to 98deg79'E and 27 deg69'N in the 2050s, and 98deg38'E and 27 deg69'N in the 2070s. Under SSP5-8.5, the centroid of the future appropriate region is located at 98deg82'E and 27deg69'N in the 2050s. The centroid of the appropriate region will relocate to 97deg67'E and 28 deg56'N in the 2070s under SSP5-8.5.

The centroid of the current habitat for *S. yunnanense* is located in South Sichuan Province at 102deg67'E and 27deg75'N. (Fig. 9). Under SSP1-2.6, the centroid of the appropriate area will shift to 103deg73'E and 29 deg02'N in the 2050s, and 102deg22'E and 28 deg94'N in the 2070s. According to SSP5-8.5, the acceptable area's centroid will relocate to 101deg91'E and 29 deg68'N by 2050s, then to 100deg05'E and 30 deg94'N in the 2070s.

4 Discussion

In plant species the *Satyrium* species are endangered and rare which is the important resources (21). MaxEnt model were applied to records the distribution and predict the potential distribution areas of S. ciliatum. S. nepalense, and S. yannanense. The values for training data by AUC were 0.988, 0.981 and 0.958, and it shows that MaxEnt predictions is valid. According to the four different future scenarios, that the suitable habitat area for Satyrium's in China will extend in 2050s and 2070s, and the suitable habitat area will move slowly to the higher altitude area in Northwest side of China, where the humidity and habitat is suitable for the growth of Satyrium species. The prediction shows the in upcoming future will be the most suitable for the growth for *Satyrium* species. Its shows that generally the suitable habitat is stable and cause of the climatic change the species will face no extinctions. The study will show the new areas for the species distribution. The findings were in good agreement with the findings of the studies published peviosuly, thus indicating that, in some regions, habitat suitability of plant species improves under climate change conditions (22, 23). The area of species covering 20% of the earth's surface will face the risk of extinction (24). About 15%-37% of the species will be endangered, as predicted by the distribution of the species under the future climate scenario. One of the reasons for the endangered status of Satyrium is that most Satyrium species are hermaphroditic. Some species rely on birds and other animals for long-distance transmission. The species population is small, and the quality of seed development is low because of long-distance pollination (25). This study's results provide a reliable basis for the protection of Satyrium. People should effectively protect its native habitat and population. Nature reserves of *Saturium* should be set up now according to the prediction results, and they should be strengthened to minimize human-made damage.

The results of the current study, using the response curve, obtained the thresholds (existence probability > 0.5) for the main bioclimatic parameters. Regarding S. ciliatum, isothermality (Bio3) ranged from 44 to 51.5, temperature seasonality (Bio4) ranged from 420 to 580, and mean temperature of the coldest quarter (Bio11) ranged from 1 to 13. Temperature seasonality (Bio4) ranged from 400-580, Isothemality (Bio3) ranged from 44-53 and precipitation of the coldest quarter (Bio19) ranged from 25-80mm for S.nepalense. Temperature seasonality (Bio4) ranged from 300-600mm, Isothermility (Bio3) ranged from 41-53 and lower temperature of coldest month(Bio06) from -6-6degC for S. yunnanense. This shows that the main environmental factors affecting the suitable distribution of *Satyrium* are temperature and precipitation. The plant distribution patterns can be detected by the environmental factors like temperature and precipitation (26, 27). Geographical distribution of species can be determined by the climate change and geographical distribution of species also response to change in climate (28). The structures of terrestrial ecosystems have been changed by global warming, and the habitat and geographical distribution functions of species have been changed by the structure of terrestrial ecosystems in turn (29). For instance, climate, topography, soil, human disturbance and spatial constraints are significant to the distribution of many different spatial scales(30). More studies have shown that the dominant variables restricting geographical distribution of plants are energy supply needed to complete life cycles, plenty of water, and cold tolerance (31). Based on the prediction of the MaxEnt model, the area of the current potential suitable habitat of Satyrium mainly located in Southwest China, which has a typical subtropical monsoon climate (32). Previous studies have indicated that precipitation is the main variable affecting plants growth, regeneration, nutrient cycles, and community productivity in different habitats (33, 34). The environmental data used in the study just included the bioclimatic variables in WorldClim. We did not study soil type, land use, human activities, biological interaction, and other factors that influence the distribution of *Satyrium*. Certainly, the more factors that are included, the more accurate the prediction will be. Therefore, other factors affecting the potential suitable habitat of *Satyrium*should be studied in the future, with different niche prediction models predicting the areas of the potential suitable habitats. This will make the prediction of results more reliable.

5 Conclusion

Precipitation (Bio19) and temperature (Bio4, Bio3, Bio6 & Bio11) are the main environmental factors for the potential geographical distribution of *Satyrium's*. The potential geographical distribution of *Satyrium's* under recent climatic conditions are primarily in southwest sides of China. *Satyrium's* highly suitable habitat area, moderately suitable habitat area and total suitable habitat area are increased due to the future climatic change scenario. highly suitable habitat of *Satyrium's* shows the shifting to the areas with high altitude. *Satyrium's* habitat loss of suitable areas showing the increase in the emission concentrations and range of increased area also showing the increase trend in population, making the area larger than the area lost.

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