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**Scientific Name: - *Tariqilabeo diplochilus***

**Family: Cyprinidae**

**Common Name: Kashmir latia**



#### **Physical Characteristics:**

They were previously placed in the genus *Crossocheilus*. The Silver Flying Fox has a sleek and elongated body with a slightly arched back. It typically has a silvery-grey body with a distinct black horizontal stripe running along the lateral line from the snout to the base of the tail. The dorsal fin is usually tinted with red or orange, and the fins are generally transparent or lightly colored. These fish can grow to about 15-20 centimetres (6-8 inches) when fully mature. Juveniles are smaller and may have less pronounced colouration.

#### **Geographical Distribution:**

It is found in Southeast Asia, particularly in Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos, Myanmar, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Singapore.

#### **Economic Importance:**

Their popularity in the aquarium trade contributes to the economy through sales of the fish and associated products such as aquarium equipment and supplies. They are valued for their ability to consume various types of algae, including green algae, black beard algae, and even some forms of blue-green algae.