

Mysis Larva

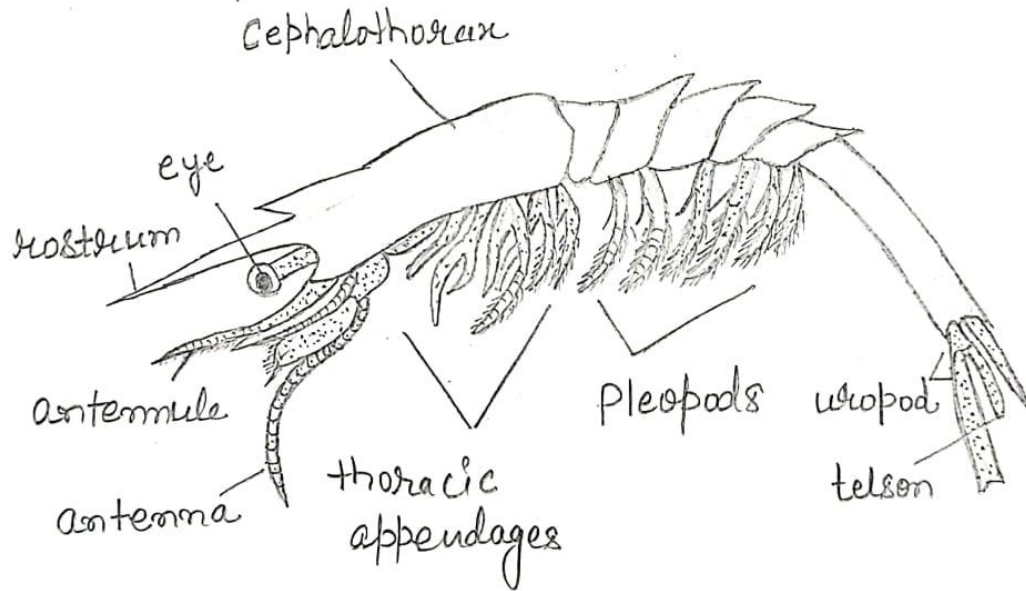
Comments :

- It is called *Mysis* larva because it resembles adult *Mysis*.
- Body divisible into cephalothorax and abdomen.
- Head contains stalked compound eyes, antennules and antennae.
- Thoracic appendages biramous. Posterior .
- thoracic legs have flagellar exopodites for locomotion.
- Abdomen bears 5 pairs of pleopods.
- *Mysis* larva metamorphoses into adult.



Mysis Larva (W.M.)

Mysis Larva



MYSIS LARVA

Megalopa Larva

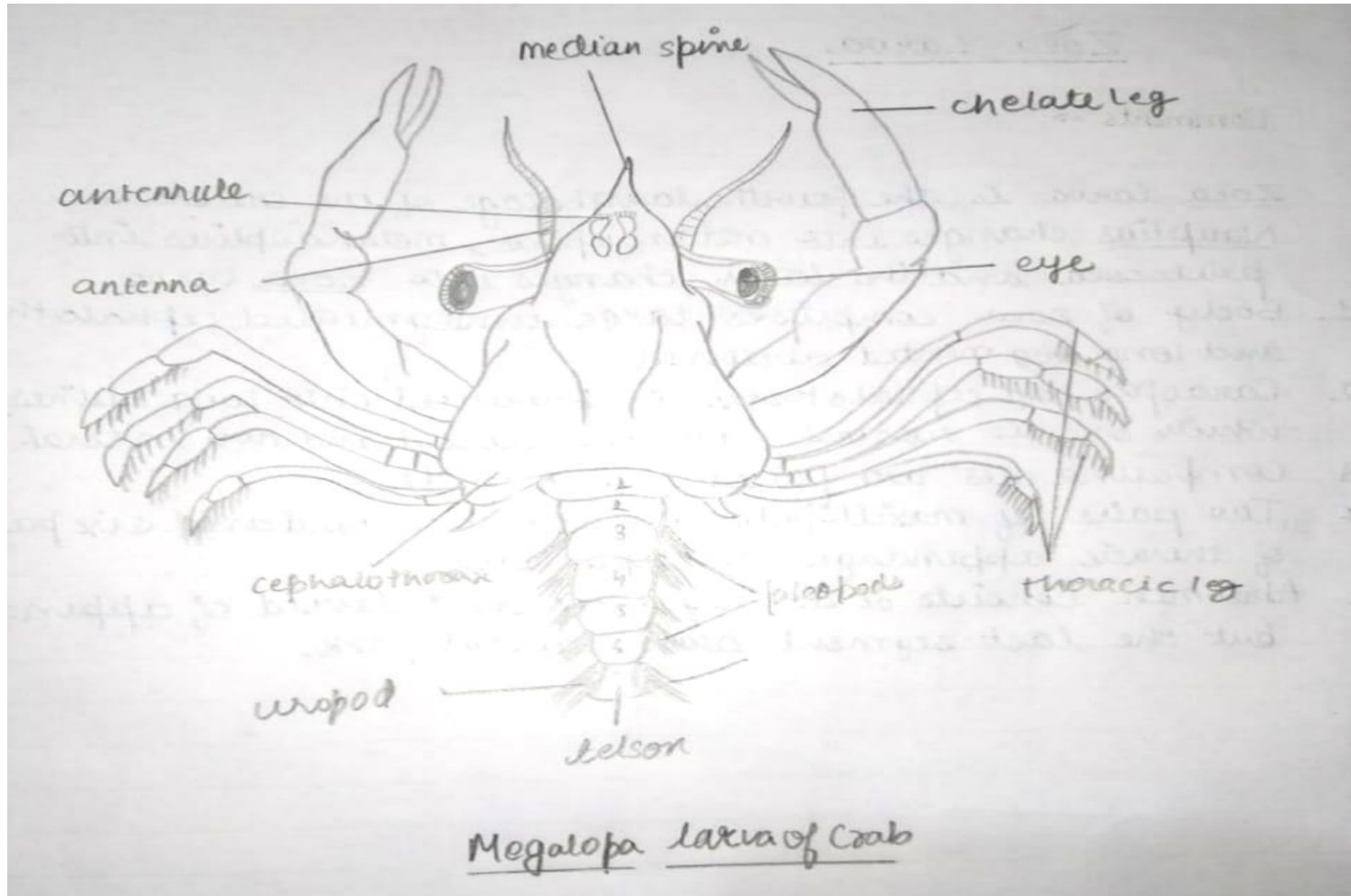
Comments :

- Megalopa larva develops many adult features and is formed after successive moultings of previous stages.
- Body is crab like being divisible into the unsegmented cephalothorax and segmented abdomen.
- Head contains large pedicellate, compound eyes, antennules and antennae.
- Abdominal appendages have biramous pleopods.
- Thoracic appendages are 5 pairs of legs, out of which the first is chelate.
- After leading pelagic existence, megalopa transforms to adult prawn.
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Zoea Larva

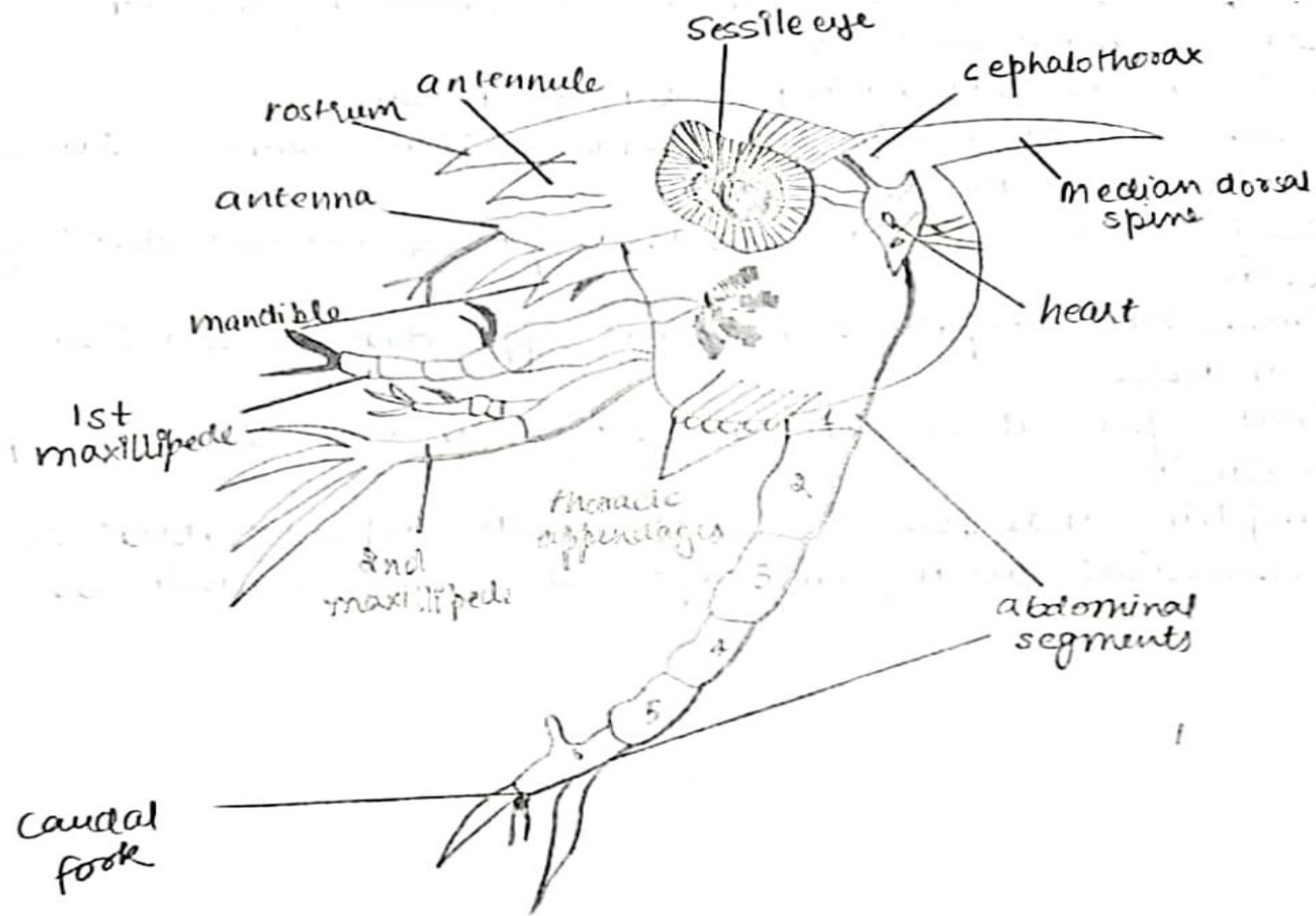
Comments :

- Zoea larva is crustacean larva.
- Body is differentiated into cephalothorax and abdomen.
- Cephalothorax or carapace is produced into rostrum anteriorly and median spine dorsally.
- Head contains large compound eyes, antennules, antennae, mandibles, maxillae and maxillipedes.
- Abdomen has 6 segments. The last segment contains caudal fork.
- Zoea larva changes to metazoea or megalopa larva.



Zoea Larva(W.M.)

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Zoea larva of crab