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Some Economically and Medicinally Useful Plants of Chandrapur

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Acanthaceae

1 *Adhatoda Vasica* (Linn) Nees

Used for chronic bronchitis and asthma.

Local Name : Adulsa

Chemistry : Source of Quinazoline alkaloids, e.g.  
 a) Vasicine (Peganine)      (d) Adhatodine  
 b) Vasinone      (e) Vasicoline  
 c) Anisotine      (f) Vasicinol

References : 1) Helv. chim. Acta, 54 (1971), 826.  
 2) J. Org. chem., 28 (1963), 445.  
 3) Ind. J. Pharm., 28 (1966), 105.

2 *Andrographis paniculata* (Burm)  
Wall ex Nees

Substitute for Chirata (*Swertia chirata*)  
Used for stomach ailments. Antimalarial

Local Name : Kiryata

Chemistry : Source of Diterpenoids, e.g.

Allied species : *A.echioides* Nees

a) Andrographolide and its corresponding  
neo-analogue.

Local Name : Ranchimani

b) 14-deoxy-11-oxoandrographolide

Chemistry : Flavonoids

c) 14-deoxy-11,12-dehydro derivative

a) Echioidinin

d) 14-deoxy-andrographolide

b) Echioidin

e) Apigenin 7,4'-di-o-methyl ether

References : Tetrahedron,

f) Andrographin      (g) Panicolin      (h)  $\Delta^1$ -sitosterol.

21 (1965), 2633, 3715

1) Biochem. J. 144 (1974), 585

23 (1967), 741.

2) J.C.S. 378 (1973); 385 (1974); 1493 (1968).

3) Tetrahedron, 27 (1971) 57081; 21 (1965), 2633  
3715

4) Tetrahedron Letters 46 (1968), 4803.

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3	<i>Barleria cristata</i> Linn <u>Sanskrit</u> : Jhinti <u>Allied species</u> : <i>B.prionitis</i> Linn <u>Local Name</u> : Pivalakoranta <u>Chemistry</u> : Scutellarein-7-Rhamnosyl glucoside <u>Reference</u> : Phytochemistry 10 (1971), 2822.	Roots and leaves used to reduce swelling. <u>Chemistry</u> : (a) Apigenin (b) Naringenin (c) Malvidin-3,5-diglucoside (d) Apigenin-7-glucuronide
4	<i>Dipterocanthus prostratus</i> (Poir) Nees <u>Local Name</u> : Kalighavani	It is used in the tribal system of medicine as a remedy for gonor and ear diseases.
5	<i>Haplanthus verticillatus</i> (Roxb) Nees <u>Local Name</u> : Jhankara	It is an antipyretic.
6	<i>Lipidagathis cristata</i> Willd <u>Local Name</u> : Bhuiterada	Tribal uses : It is used as a bitter tonic in fevers. It is also applied to itchy affections of the skin. Ash is used for sores.
7	<i>Peristrophe bicalyculata</i> (Retz) Nees <u>Local Name</u> : Ghatipitta : papada	It possesses antibacterial properties. Useful as a remedy in poisonous Snakes bites. <u>References</u> : C.A. 63:13701 <sup>d</sup>
8	<i>Rungia repens</i> (Linn) <u>Gujarati Name</u> : Khatsalio <u>Allied species</u> : <i>R.pectinata</i> (Linn) Nees.	Plant given in fevers and applied to scal in cases of tineacapitis. <u>Chemistry</u> : Luteolin-7-glucoside; Apigenin-7-glucoside; Luteolin; Lutein; Isosalipurpuroside; and Kaemferol 3-O- $\beta$ -L-rhamnopyranosyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside. <u>References</u> : Phytochemistry, 8(1969), 319; Ind.J.chem., 2(1964)

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Less common species of 'Acanthaceae' available in Chandrapur

- 1) Blepharis maderaspatensis (Linn) Heyne ex Roth (C)
- 2) B. repens (Vahl) Roth (Less common)
- 3) Crossandra infudibuliformis (Linn) Nees (Cul.)
- 4) Dicliptera micranthus Nees (L.C.)
- 5) Elytraria acaulis (Linn f.) Lindau (L.C.)
- 6) Eranthemum purpurascens Nees (L.C.)
- 7) Gantelbua urens (Heyne ex Roth) L.C.
- 8) Heplantus verticillatus Roxb Nees (R)
- 9) Hygrophila auriculata (Sch) Hein (C)
- 10) H. Serphyllum (Nees) Anders (N.C.)
- 11) Justicia betonica Linn (L.C.)
- 12) J. glauca Roth (N.C.)
- 12) J. Simplex (N.C.)
- 14) Lipidagathis cristata Willd (L.C.)
- 15) L. Trinervis (L.C.) etc. etc. etc.

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Alangiaceae

1 Alangium Salvifolium (Linn)  
Wang.

Local Name : Ankai  
(Syn : A. Lamarckii Thwaits)

Tribal use : The powder of the root bark is used in poisonous bites. It is also used in skin diseases, in fevers, as poultice in rheumatic pain. The fruit is edible.

Chemistry : Alangine, Ankoline; Emetine; Cephaeline; Psychotrine; Alangicine; Desmethylpsychotrine; Isotubulosine; Demethyltubulosine; Deoxytubulosine; Alangimarkine, and Dihydroprotoemetine; etc.

References : Ind.J.chem. 2(1964), 379 (2) Tetrahedron, 20 (1964), 399; (3) Tetrahedron Letters 2143 (1967); ibid 1081, 5077 (1966); ibid 4965 (1966); (4) Ind. J. chem. 7 (1969), 635; (5) Experientia, 26(1970), 933.

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Amaryllidaceae

1 *Cerimum defixum* ker-Gawl

Local Name :

Sanskrit : Vishamandala

Marathi : Gadani-kanda

Parts used : Bulbs and leaves. The bulbs are toxic to cattle. They are generally used for the treatment of burns.

Chemistry : An alkaloid Lycorine from bulbs.

- References :
- 1) Tetrahedron Letters 2009 (1966)
  - 2) Curr. Sci. 23 (1954), 265
  - 3) Ind. J. Pharm. 17 (1955), 67, 140
  - 4) Chem. Ber. 90 (1957), 2203.

2 *Polianthes tuberosa* Linn

Local Name : a) Rajnigandha  
b) Gulcheri

Cultivated. The flowers of this plant are much prized for their fragrance. Bulbs are used in medicine.

- References : 1) Ind. Perf. 16 (1972), 38.

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Amaranthaceae

1 *Achyranthes aspera* Linn

Local Name : Aghada.

NOTE : Widespread interest in compounds possessing moulting hormone activity was created by Nakanishi's Report of the isolation of plant ecdysones (Ponasterones). The genus 'achyranthes' is rich in such compounds.

Troublesome weed. Very useful as medicine in Ayurveda. The ash of the roots is a recognised remedy for bronchial affections amongst children. Very rich in potash.

Chemistry : Ecdysone ( $C_{27}$  steroid); Ecdysterone, Achyranthes Saponin A, Achyranthes Saponin B, Oleanic acid, Masiinic acid, Achyranthin, etc.

- References:
- 1) Chem. Ber. 98 (1965), 2403; 2361; 2394.
  - 2) Phytochemistry 10 (1971), 2225; 12 (1973), 214; 9 (1970), 409, 1671.
  - 3) Science, 161 (1968), 1158.
  - 4) Ind. J. Med. Res. 60 (1972), 462.
  - 5) Chem. Pharm. Bull (Japan) 19 (1971), 438.

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- 2 *Aerva lanata* (Linn) Juss  
Local Name : Pashanabherda  
The name of the plant suggests that it must have been used for diuresis.  
Reference : 1) J. Res. Ind. Med. 1 (1967), 242.
- 3 *Amaranthus spinosus* Linn  
Local Name : Kante math  
Allied species of amaranthaceae:  
1) *A. Sanguinolenta* (Linn) Blume (LC)  
2) *Allmania nodiflora* (N.C.)  
3) *Alternanthera sessilis* (N.C.)  
4) *Amaranthus polygonoides* Linn (L.C.)  
The plant has considerable food value.  
Analysis : Proteins 3%; Fat 0.3%; Carbohydrates 8.1% and Mineral matters 3.6% of which Fe is 22.9 mg/100 g.  
References: 1) J. Inst. Chem. 45 (1973), 205.  
2) Ind. J. Biochem and Biophysics, 11 (1974), 71.
- 4 *A. tricolor* Linn  
Local Name : Kirai  
This plant is useful for haemorage from the bowel. It is used in ulcerated conditions of throat and mouth.  
References : 1) Curr. Sci. 42 (1973), 317.  
2) C.A. 79:135506 W.
- 5 *A. Viridis* Linn  
Local Name : Lhanamat  
The leaves are useful in scorpion and snake bite.  
References : C.A. 80:80153<sup>S</sup>
- 6 *Celosia argentea* Linn  
(Quail grass)  
Local Name : Kurdu  
The seeds are useful in diarrhoea, blood diseases, mouth sores, for clearing vision and some minor ailments of the eye. Leaves used as spinach.  
References : 1) Nature (New Biol) 243 (1973), 224.  
2) Phytochemistry 12 (1973), 2163.

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- 7 *C. Cristata* Linn  
Local Name : Mayurshika  
Allied species :  
 1) *Gomphrena celosioides* Mart (C)  
 2) *G. globosa* Linn (Cul.)  
 3) *Nothosaelva brachiata* (Linn)  
     wt. (N.C.)  
 4) *Pupalia lappacea* (Linn)  
     Juss (L.C.)
- It yields a strong flexible fibre, superior to Jute fibre. The flowers are useful in excessive menstrual discharges.
- Chemistry : The seeds yield celosia oil (8.0%).
- References: 1) Phytochemistry, 3 (1964), 547.  
 2) J. Am. Soc. Hort. Sci. 97 (1972), 341.  
 3) Phytochemistry, 13 (1974), 947;  
     12 (1973), 2163.  
 4) Nature (New Biol) 243 (1973), 224.
- 8 *Digera muricata* Linn  
Local Name : Gitana
- The flowers and seeds are reported to be given in urinary discharges.

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#### Annonaceae

- 1 *Annona squamosa*  
Local Name : Sitaphal
- Cultivated. All parts of the plant have medicinal value.
- Chemistry : The aporphine alkaloids : (1) (-) Anonaine (2) Michelalbine (3) Liriodenine (4) L (+) Reticuline (5) Anolobine (6) Squamolone. These compounds have been isolated from roots. The edible portion of fruit consists of :  
 Total solids : 26.54%  
 Protein : 2.35  
 Total sugars : 17.08
- References: 1) J. Chinese Chem. Soc. 19 (1972), 149.  
 2) J.C.S. 2423 (1965).  
 3) J. Pharm. Soc. (Japan), 85 (1965), 77  
 4) C.I. 78:16151 W (1973)  
 5) C.I. 74:121337 b (1971)  
 6) Chem. Ber. 106 (1973), 841.  
 7) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 1819.

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- 2 *Polyalthia longifolia* Cultivated. It is a garden plant.  
Local Name : Ashopalo Reference : Ind. J. Pharm. 35 (1973), 118.

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#### Apocynaceae

- 1 *Holarrhena antidysenterica* (Linn) Wall. The bark of the shrub is used in the treatment of amoebic dysentery.  
Local Name : Kura, kurchi Chemistry : The principle alkaloid of kurchi is conessine. Conessine and related alkaloids possess amoebicidal properties related to emetine. These alkaloids are divided into three groups:  
 1) Oxygen free kurchi alkaloids.  
 2) Oxygen containing alkamines and alkamine esters.  
 3) Amino-glyco-steroids.  
References: 1) Prelog, V. et al  
 The Alkaloids, 3 (1953), 247; 7 (1960), 343.  
 (Academic Press)  
 2) Bentley, K.D., The Alkaloids, 7 (1965), 98.  
 (Interscience)  
 3) Gautarel, R. (Ed. Saxton)  
 The Alkaloids I (1969), 382; Chem.Soc. (London)  
 4) Gautarel, R. et al (Ed. Saxton)  
 The Alkaloids, 3 (1971), 259;  
 Chem. Soc. (London) 4 (1972), 346.
- 2 *Ichnocarpus frutescens* R. Br. (Indian Sarsaparilla) The decoction of the bark is useful in piles. The roots of the plant have properties similar to *Hemidiscus indicus* and used as a substitute for sarsaparilla.  
Chemistry : Only  $\beta$ -sitosterol reported so far.  
Reference : Ind. J. Applied Chem. 23 (1960), 111-2.

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3 *Nerium indicum* Mill  
(Syn. *N. Odorum* Soland)

Local Name : Kanhera

It is used medicinally. It is a garden plant. There are two varieties (white and Pink flowered). Properties identical. All parts are poisonous. Root and its bark are powerful diuretic and cardiac stimulant like strophanthus and digitabine.

Chemistry : The leaves of the plant are known to contain many cardio active glycosides.

- 1) Neridienone A
- 2) Pregnenolone glycosides.
- 3)  $\Delta^{16}$ -dehydroadynerigenin glycosides, viz.  
 $\beta$ -D-Diginoside and  $\beta$ -D-digitaloside.
- 4) Plumericin
- 5) 16-Acetylgitoxigenin (Toxic Principle)
- 6) Oleandrigenin (7) Adynerin
- 8) Odoroside (9) Scopoletin (10) Scopolin
- 11) Neriordin (12) Crystallizate
- 13) Foliandrine, etc.

References:  
1) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 296.  
2) J. Ind. Acad. Forensic Sci. 11 (1972), 48-9.  
3) Phytochemistry 11 (1972), 1852.  
4) Helv. Chim. Acta, 46 (1963), 374.  
5) J. Pharm. Sci. (U.S.A.R.) 11 (1970), 193.  
6) Naturwissenschaften 51 (1964), 139.

4 *Rauwolfia serpentina* (Linn)  
Benth ex Kurz

Local Name : Harkai/Chandra

It is a hypotensive drug. Its reserpine content (0.1%) is much less than that of *R. Vomitoria* which is the most useful species at present.

Chemistry : 1) Ajmalicine (2) Ajmaline (3) Reserpine  
4) Serpentine, etc.

References:  
1) *Rauwolfia Alkaloids*, Ed.: R.A. Lucas  
"Progress in medicinal Chemistry", p.146  
(1963) (Butterworths).  
2) *Indol Alkaloids*; Ed.: M. Hesse  
(Springer-Verlag, Berlin.)

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- 5 *Catharanthus roseus* G. Don  
Local Name : Sadephuli (Barmasi)  
Allied species : *C. pusillus* (Murr) N.C.  
*Vinca rosea* has gained considerable importance due to the discovery of its anticancer property. There are about 60 indole alkaloids present in this plant, of which Vincristine and Vinblastine are most active. This Plant is exported.  
References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 33 (1971), 126.  
2) Indol Alkaloide; Ed. : M. Hesse (Springer-Verlag, Berlin).

Less common species of 'Apocynaceae' available in Chandrapur.

- 1) *Plumeria acuminata* Ait (N.C.)  
2) *Tabernaemontana divaricata* (Linn) N.C.  
3) *Thivetia peruviana* (Pers) K. Schum  
4) *T. Nerifolia* Juss  
5) *Wrightia tinctoria* R. Br. (Kalakuda)  
6) *W. tomentosa* Roem and Schult  
Last two species are known to contain triterpenoids.  
Ref. : 1) J. Pharm. & Pharma., 14 (1962), 41.  
2) Proc. Acad. Sci. India, 57 (1963), 115  
3) Curr. Sci., 37 (1968), 645.  
4) Ind. J. Appld. Chem., 34 (1971), 157.

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Aristolochiaceae

- 1 *Aristolochia indica* Linn  
Local Name : Sapasan  
It has got reproducible tumor inhibiting property against the adenocarcinoma 755 test system. Aristolochic acid is characterised as the principle tumor inhibitory principle. The other derivatives are: 1) Aristolochic acid-D; (2) Aristolochic acid-D-methyl ether lactam; 3) Aristololactam-  $\beta$ -D-glucoside (Kupchan, Govindachari and others).  
References: 1) J. Org. chem. 33 (1968), 3735.  
2) Tetrahedron, 26 (1970), 615, 2371.  
3) Ind. J. chem. 8 (1970), 851; 9 (1971), 1310;  
5 (1967), 655.

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Araceae

- 1 Pistia stratiotes Linn  
Local Name : Prashni
- The decoction or infusion of the plant is given in dysuria. It is toxic to bugs. It is reported to be useful in chronic skin diseases.
- References : 1) J. Pharm. Soc. Japan, 64, No.11<sup>A</sup> 55 (1944)  
 2) Proc. Ind. Acad. Sci., Sec. B, 75 (1), 15 (1972).

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Asclepiadaceae

- 1 Calotropis procera (Ait) R.Br.  
Local Name : Mandar  
Allied species :  
Calotropis gigantea R. Br.  
 (Local Name : Rui)
- Warm leaves are bandaged to painful, rheumatic joints swellings, etc. The root bark is a valuable remedy in skin diseases. The fibre of the species are used for fishing nets, bow string and their floss for stuffing mattresses and pillows. The root bark is a valuable remedy in skin diseases.

Chemistry : 1) Uscharidin ( $C_{29}H_{38}O_9$ ); 2) Uscharin  
 3) Voruscharin ( $C_{31}H_{43}O_8NS$ ); ( $C_{31}H_{41}O_8NS$ )  
 4) Calotoxin ( $C_{29}H_{40}O_{10}$ ); (5) Proceroside  
 6) Calactin ( $C_{29}H_{40}O_9$ ); ( $C_{29}H_{40}O_{10}$ )  
 7) Calotropin (isomer), etc. These 1 to 7 - Cardiac glycosides from leaves.  
 8) Digitonols : Ia, Ib, Ic & Id (These are  $C_{21}$ -steroid glycosides isolated from root bark).  
 9) Mudarine (Active principle).

References: 1) Helv. chim. Acta, 52 (1969), 2276;  
 46 (1963), 694.

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- 1 Calotropis bucknani Roem & Schult. Local Name: Keranta Uses: The leaves are tonic. The plant yields latex and a fibre useful for cordage and some kind of cloth. Some preparation of the plant is given to children suffering from rickets.
- References: 1) C.I. 46:116748  
2) J. Res. Ind. Med. 9, 159 (1971).
- 2 Cryptolepis bucknani Roem & Schult. Local Name: Keranta Uses: The leaves are tonic. The plant yields latex and a fibre useful for cordage and some kind of cloth. Some preparation of the plant is given to children suffering from rickets.
- References: 1) C.I. 46:116748  
2) J. Res. Ind. Med. 9, 159 (1971).
- 3 Dregea Volubilis (Linn) Benth. Local Name: Dodhi Chemistry: The Asclepiadaceae species are known for their active cardiac glycosides. The leaves of this plant are used in boils, and abscesses. The plant promotes sneezing. It is useful in snake bite. D.Volubilis is a good source of interesting plant glycosides. Total of fifteen compounds have been identified.
- Chemistry: 1) Drevogenin A ( $C_{28}H_{42}O_7$ ); (2) Drevogenin B ( $C_{23}H_{34}O_6$ )  
3) Drevogenin P ( $C_{21}H_{32}O_5$ ); (4) Drevogenin D ( $C_{21}H_{34}O_5$ )  
5) Isodrevogenin P  
6) D-cymarose  
7) Oleandrose, pachybiose, digitoxose, etc.
- References: 1) Helv. chim. Acta. 49 (1966), 1625;  
48 (1965), 857.  
2) Chem. Pharm. Bull., 17 (1969), 2629.

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4 *Hemidesmus indicus* R. Br.  
(Indian sarsaparilla)  
Local Name : Anentmula  
Upalsari

The roots are medicinal chemical constituent  
i) Rutin (ii) Lupeol (iii)  $\beta$ -amyrin acet  
iv)  $\alpha$ -amyrin, and (v) Sitosterol.

- References: 1) Phytochemistry, 7 (1968), 170  
12 (1973), 217  
2) J. Ind. Chem. Soc. 32 (1955);  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 27 (1965), 35;  
26 (1964), 81.  
4) Ind. J. Physiol & Pharm. 6 (1)

5 *Holostema annularis* K. Schum  
(The roots contain reducing  
sugars (24%) ).

Local Name : Dudurli

The roots are reported to have medicinal properties  
diabetes, gonor, cough and for some stomach  
The plant exudes latex. The bark fibre is  
cordage and fibre.

- Reference : 1) Bull. C.R.I. Uni. Travancore,  
2 (1951), 27-32.

6 *Oxystelma esculentum* R. Br.

Local Name : Dudhika

Considered to be specific for Jaundice.

7 *Pergularia daemia* (Forsk)

Local Name : Utarni

The plant extract is used for uterine and other  
troubles. It has a stimulating action on other  
involuntary muscles.

- Reference : 1) C.A. 83: 202574<sup>g</sup>

8 *Sarcostemma acidum* (Roxb) Voigt  
(Well known in ancient literature)

Local Name : Somlata  
Somawalli

The plant gives bitter taste. It is used by  
white ants from the sugar cane fields. It  
milky-sap.

Chemistry : The stalks contain malic acid,  
sugar, traces of tannin and an

- References: 1) Ind. J. chem. 1 (1963), 501  
2) C.A. 31: 1459<sup>b</sup>

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9 *Tylophora fasciculata* Ham  
Local Name : Bhuidari  
 Bhindoli

The juice of its roots given with milk as tonic. Leaves used for unhealthy ulcers, and wounds. It is used to destroy rats and vermin. It is said to contain very active alkaloids.

Reference : C.A. 83:152249<sup>b</sup>

10 *Gymnema sylvestre* R Br  
Local Name : Kavali

The leaves cause hypoglycaemia and stimulate heart and circulatory system, activate uterus and increase urination. The leaves cause tastelessness for sugars.

Chemistry : 1) Gummemic acid  
 2) (+) quercitol, Lupeol,  $\beta$ -amyrin  
 3) Stigmasterol, etc.  
 4) Saponins.

References: 1) Bull. Calcutta Sch. Tros. Med.  
 14, 126 (1966).  
 2) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 35 (1958), 650.

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### Asteraceae

#### Family : "Compositeae"

1 *Ageratum conyzoides* Linn  
Local Name : Osari

The leaves are applied as an antiseptic on wounds. They smell of eugenol. This is the weed from which Bower's chromones have been isolated.

Chemistry : 1) 7-Meo-2,2-dimethylchromene  
 2) Triterpenoid (3) Steroids (Stigma & Sitosterols)  
 4) Friedelin (5) KCl.

References: 1) Phytochemistry 10 (1971), 899  
 2) Ind. J. Chem. 12 (1974), 1123.  
 3) Ind. For. 99 (1973), 786.  
 4) Flavour Ind. 4 (1973), 77.  
 5) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 91; 12(1974), 1123.

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2	<i>Blumea lacera</i> DC (Camphor tree)  <u>Local Name :</u> Nimrudi	The herb gives essential oil (0.085%) containing Blumea camphor. The roots are used in cholera.  <u>Chemistry :</u> 1) Coniferyl alcholdiester 2) Campesterol and small amounts of acetylene compounds.  <u>References:</u> 1) Tetrahedron Letters, 2 (1969), 69. 2) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 24 (1947), 358; 27 (1950), 25 3) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 1855. 4) Ind. J. Pharm. 37 (1975), 175.
3	<i>Eclipta prostrata</i> Linn (Syn. E. Alba Hassk)  <u>Local Name :</u> Bhangra Maka	Whole plant is tonic. It is good for liver and useful for spleen enlargements and Jaundice.  <u>References:</u> 1) Tetrahedron Letters, 35 (1966), 4227 2) Ind. J. chem. 10 (1972), 810.
4	<i>Echinops echinatus</i> Roxb  <u>Local Name :</u> Utanti Bramadandi	The plant, bitter in taste possesses medicinal properties and its root powder is applied on wounds of cattle to destroy maggots.  <u>Chemistry :</u> 1) Echinopsine (from the seeds) 2) $\beta$ -Amyrin  <u>References :</u> 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 45 (1968), 697.
5	<i>Elephantopus scaber</i> Linn  <u>Local Name :</u> Hastipata	It is a cardiac tonic and well-known in Ayurveda. Kupchan has studied this plant in detail. He has established that elephantin, elephantopin and their derivatives are tumour inhibitory sesquiterpene dilactones. Govindachari, et.al. have isolated a few germacranodiolides from this source.

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5 *Elephantopus* ..... Chemistry : 1) Elephantopin 2) Deoxyelephantopin  
3) Isodeoxyelephantopin 4) Lupeol & its acetate  
5) Luteolin-7-glucoside 6) Epifriedelinol  
7) Stigmasterol 8) KCl  
9) Triacontan-1-ol, etc.

References : 1) Tetrahedron Letters 33 (1970), 2863  
2) Ind. J. chem. 10 (1972), 272;  
7 (1969), 308;  
9 (1971), 611;  
1 (1963), 320;  
8 (1970), 762.  
3) Phytochemistry, 8 (1969), 933.

6 *Emilia Sonchifolia* DC. The juice of the plant is useful in night  
Local Name : Sadamandi blindness.

7 *Vermonia anthelmintica* Willd The achenes (traits) are credited with enthelmintic  
Local Name : Kalenjiri properties and it is effective against thread worms,  
Sahadevi but not against hook worms.

Chemistry : The seed oil of this plant is noteworthy for  
the large amount of the main sterol 7,(Z)-  
-24(28)-stigmadienol. In view of the current  
biochemical interest in the introduction of  
double bonds into the side chain of phyto-  
sterols, the high percentage (70%) and ready  
isolation of this sterol from this source  
deserves emphasis.

References: 1) Tetrahedron Letters (1968), 3779-82.  
2) Ind. J. Pharm. 5 (1943), 61.  
3) J.A. Oil C.S., 39 (1962), 334.  
4) ibid, 41(1964), 134. (5) ibid, 42(1965), 165.  
6) ibid, 46(1969), 108. (7) Lipids, 4(1969), 50.  
8) Chem. & Ind. (1962), 2038.

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- 8 *Vernonia cinera* Linn  
Local Name : Sadodi  
The juice of the plant is given in piles.  
Reference : 1) J. Ind. Chem. Soc. 39 (1962), 749
- 9 *Xanthium Strumarium* Linn  
Local Name : Shankeshwara Dutundi  
Roots are useful in strumous diseases and Cancer; prickly fruits as sedative and diaphoretic. The plant is noted to be poisonous to cattle (Paralyzes heart). The oil of the seeds have drying property and can be used as a substitute for linseed oil. Cake can be used as a fertilizer. The oil is commercially available in Gujarat.  
Chemistry : 1) Xanthetine (2) Xanthinin  
3) Xanthumin (4) Ivalbin  
5) 8-( $\Delta^3$ -isopentenyl)-tetrahydroxy flavone.  
6) Xanthanol and isoxanthanol; etc.
- References: 1) Farm. Zh. (Kiev), 21 (1966), 47.  
2) 19 (1964), 16-19.  
19 (1964), 50-2  
2) J. Chem. Soc. (1965), 7009.  
3) J. Org. chem. 34 (1969), 153-9.  
4) J. Oil. Tech. Asso. India, 18 (1964), 276.  
5) J. Appld. chem. 24 (1961), 197.  
6) J. Pharm. Sci. 63 (1974), 1166-7.

10 Less common species of 'Compositeae' available in Chandrapur

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| a) <i>Acanthospermum hispidum</i> DC  | (k) <i>Caesulia axillaris</i> Roxb                   | (u) <i>Tridax procumbens</i> Linn    |
| b) <i>Adenostema lavenia</i> Linn     | l) <i>Cyathocline purpurea</i> (Don)                 | (Dagadi)                             |
| c) <i>Amberboa ramosa</i> Roxb        | m) <i>Glossocardia boswallaea</i> Linn (Patharsuva)  |                                      |
| d) <i>Bidens biternata</i> (Lour)     | n) <i>Goniocalon glabrum</i> cass                    |                                      |
| e) <i>Blainvillea acumella</i> (Linn) | o) <i>Grangea maderas patana</i> (Linn) (Mashipatri) |                                      |
| f) <i>Blumea belangeriana</i> DC      | p) <i>Helichrysum indicum</i> (Linn)                 | (v) <i>Vernonia divergens</i> (Roxb) |
| g) B. membranaceae                    | q) <i>Lagascea mollis</i> cav                        | (w) <i>Vicoa indica</i> (Willd) DC   |
| h) B. obliqua (Linn)                  | r) <i>Launaea fallax</i> Kuntze                      | (x) <i>Zinnia elegans</i>            |
| i) B. Oxyodonto                       | s) <i>Sphaeranthus indicus</i> Linn (Gorakhmundi)    |                                      |
| j) B. Solidaginoides (Poir)           | t) <i>Tricholepis radicans</i> DC (Brahmidandi)      |                                      |

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- Anacardiaceae
- 1 Anacardium occidentale Linn      C.N.S.L. is commercially very useful. It is exported. The structure of its gum has been investigated.  
Local Name : Kaju  
Chemical constituents of CNSL - 1) Anacardic acid  
2) Anacardol, etc.  
References: 1) Sci. & Cult. 32 (1966), 134.  
2) Phytochemistry, 8 (1969), 673.  
3) Curr. Sci. 38 (1969), 494.  
4) Indian J. Biochem. 7 (1970), 68-72.  
5) J. Indian Chem. Soc. 48 (1971), 977.  
6) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 996.  
7) Paint India, 25 (1975), 12-14.
- 2 Buchanania lanzae spreng      The oil is used as a substitute for almond oil. The stems yield a pellucid gum, resembling Bassora gum.  
Local Name : Charoli  
Chironji  
References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 36 (1974), 164;  
37 (1975), 171.  
2) J. Ind. chem. Soc. (1941), 557.
- 3 Lannea coromandelica (Hoult)      The gum is given in asthma and as a cordial to women during lactation. The bark is reported to be used in gout.  
Local Name : Moi  
Chemistry : 1) Quercetin-3-arabinoside (2) Ellagic acid  
3) Sitosterol; Physcion (4) Leucocyanidin  
5) Water soluble gum (Polysaccharide)  
References: 1) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 733  
7 (1968), 2057  
2) Carbohydr. Res. 26 (1973), 105  
3) Curr. Sci. (India) 32 (1963), 115.  
4) Phytochemistry 10 (1971), 1939.

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4 *Semecarpus anacardium* Linn

Local Name : Biba

The oil of biba has got many medicinal uses, for example, in cuts, for removing thorns, in rheumatism, leprosy, leprous nodules, etc. The gum from bark is used in Vinereal diseases. Recently, it is proved that bhilawan oil has got anti-cancer property. It is used for centuries to cure rheumatism and skin orders.

Chemistry : 1) Anacardic acid (2) Catechol  
3) Anacardol (4) Bhilawanol; etc.  
All these isolated from bhilawan-nut shell liquid.

References: 1) Phytochemistry, 12 (1973), 671;  
13 (1974), 513.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 9 (1971), 1044.  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 31 (1969), 104.  
4) Ind. J. Appld. chem. 27 (1964), 93.  
5) J. Oil Tech. Asso. India, 18 (1963), 374.  
6) Curr. Sci., 39 (1970), 207.  
7) J. Res. Ind. Med., 2 (1968), 239;  
5 (1970), 1-8.  
8) Chemical Weekly, 19 (1977), 85.

The following species are also available in Chandrapur

N.O. Adiantaceae

- a) *Adiantum incisum* Forks
- b) *A. philippense*
- c) *Aleuritopteris albo-marginata* (Clarke)
- d) *Cerotropteris Thalictroides*

N.O. Agavaceae : *Agave cantula* Roxb

N.O. Alismataceae : *Limnophyton obtusifolium* (Linn)

N.O. Aponogetonaceae

- a) *Aponogeton natans* (Linn)

N.O. Apiaceae

- a) *Seseli diffusum* (Roxb ex. Sm.)

N.O. Araceae

- a) *Pistia stratiotes* Linn

N.O. Vitaceae : *Ampelocissus latifolia* (Roxb)  
Planch; L/Name : Golinda.

N.O. Aizoaceae : *Glinus lotoides* (Linn); Kuntze

N.O. Moraceae : a) *Ficus racemosa* (Umbar)  
b) *F. religiosa* (Pipal)

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Bombaceae

- 1 Bombax ceiba Linn  
(Syn.: *Salmalia malabarica*)  
Local Name : Sembal  
The tree exudes a gum like substance called "Mochrus" frequently seen in market. It contains large proportion of tannic acid. The bark yields good fibre suitable for cordage. The seeds yield silk-cotton called simal-cotton. The bark of the root is supposed to increase vitality and check blood dysentery.

Chemistry : Roots show the presence of glycosides and tannins plus proteins. The stem give positive test for alkaloids. Lupeol and  $\beta$ -sitosterol have been isolated from root bark including three naphthalene derivatives related to gossypol. Components of flowers also have been studied.

- References:
- 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 48 (1971), 769.
  - 2) Curr. Sci. 40 (1971), 630.
  - 3) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 825.
  - 4) J. Pharm. Sci. 61 (1972), 807.
  - 5) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 40 (1963), 257.
  - 6) Sci. & Cult. 31 (1965), 189.

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Balsaminaceae

- 1 Impatiens balsamina Linn  
Local Name : Terada  
The seeds of garden balsam are edible. They contain green viscous edible oil (27%). The flowers possess marked antibiotic activity against *Sclerotinia*, *fructicella*, and other pathogenic fungi and bacteria. Active principle is identified as 2-methoxy-1-4-naphthoquinone.

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1 Impatiens .....

Chemistry : of non-sap. matter of the oil -

- 1)  $\beta$ -amyrin      (2)  $\alpha$ -spinasterol  
3) Balsaminasterol

References: 1) Phytochemistry, 8 (1969), 2311  
                          9 (1970), 1751  
2) Can. J. Bio. chem. 44 (1966), 1389  
                          43 (1965), 293.  
3) Sci. & Cult. 21 (1956), 616.  
4) C.A. 80: 92362<sup>X</sup>  
      81: 14854<sup>I</sup>  
      82: 28638<sup>I</sup>  
      77: 74177<sup>Z</sup>  
      77: 2911<sup>m</sup>

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Burseraceae

1 Boswellia serrata Roxb

Note : The cellulose content  
of salai wood is  
51.93%.

Local Name : Salai

The tree exudes an oleoresin known as Indian Olibanum. This is sometimes called gugul, a term which is commonly used for resin from commiphora mukul (Family : Burseraceae). It is very common in Chandrapur. It is used externally as an ointment. The alcohol extract of lic. the root has been proved to have anti-cancer activity and CNS depressant activity. The gum resin exhibits marked sedative and analgic effects.

References: 1) Ind. J. Exptl. Biol. 6 (1968), 232.  
2) Planta Medica, 19 (1971), 333.  
3) Perfum. Essen. Oil Recd., 54 (1963), 740.  
4) Ind. Pulp. 10 (1955), 57; 9 (1954), 133,  
   11 (1956), 196; 14 (1960), 545,  
   21 (1967), 557.  
5) Ind. J. Pharm., 36 (1974), 46.  
6) Ind. Forest Records, Entomol, 9 (1960), 215.  
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1	<i>Boswellia</i> .....	<p><u>References:</u> 7) Ind. J. Pharm. 32 (1970), 48. 8) Life Sci., 8 (1969), 1023-8. 9) Curr. Sci. 36 (1967), 668.</p>
2	<i>Garuga pinnata</i> Roxb <u>Local Name:</u> Kharpat Kakad	<p>The drupes possess digestive property. Its juice is used in conjunctivitis. It yields greenish yellow gum of no economic value.</p> <p><u>References:</u> 1) Indian Forests, 77 (1951), 568. 2) C.I.C. 47; 83658</p>

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#### Boranginaceae

1	<i>Cordia dichotoma</i> Forst (Syn. <i>C. myxa</i> Linn) <u>Local Name:</u> Shelvant	<p>Fruits are called 'Sebastian'. They have medicinal value. Glue can be prepared from mucilaginous pulp. Bark yields fibre.</p> <p><u>Chemistry:</u> The fatty acid composition of the fixed oil from the seeds has been analysed.</p> <p><u>Reference:</u> 1) Planta Med., 15 (1967), 240.</p>
2	<i>Heliotropium indicum</i> Linn <u>Allied species :</u> a) <i>H. ovalifolium</i> Frosk b) <i>H. strigosum</i> Willd (Sitachekes)	<p>These plants have medicinal property to cure syphilitic ulcers. Some of these species contain pyrrolizidine alkaloids.</p> <p><u>References:</u> 1) Curr. Sci. 35 (1966), 121 2) Ind. J. Pharm. 36 (1974), 163. 3) Ind. J. chem., 13 (1975), 505.</p>

Local Name: Bhurundi

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- 3 *Rotula aquatica* Lour  
Local Name : Pashanabheda  
There are a few more species designated as 'Pashanabheda' in Sanskrit :  
a) *Bergenia ligulata*  
b) *B. ciliata*  
c) *B. stracheyi*  
d) *Coleus aromaticus*  
e) *Nothosaera brachiata*  
f) *Vergenia legulata*.
- It is used in piles, for diluting bladder stone and in venereal diseases. These medicines are used for the purpose of diuresis. In some cases, significant results are obtained.
- References: 1) Quart. J. Crude Drug Res., 12 (1972), 182.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 12 (1974), 1038-9.  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 37 (1975), 172.  
4) J. Res. Ind. Med., 9 (1974), 1-3.  
5) Ind. J. Physiol. & Pharm. 15 (1971), 63.  
6) Ind. J. Pharm. 33 (1971), 126.

- 4 *Trichodesma indicum* R. Br.  
Local Name : Lahana-Kalpa
- There is no definite evidence of its utility.
- References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 33 (1971), 96.  
2) Curr. Sci. 37 (1968), 465.

#### Bignoniaceae

- 1 *Dolichandrone falcata* Seem  
Local Name : Medasingi  
Mersingi
- It is said to be medicinal. The bark is used as a fish poison. Dried leaves give Luteolin, chrysin, and its derivatives.

- References: 1) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 96.  
2) C.A. 51: 382f  
52: 3332e

- 2 *Kigelia pinnata* DC
- Chemical constituents : 1) Ferulic acid from bark  
2) Stigmasterol  
3)  $\beta$ -sitosterol  
4) Lapachol  
5) 6-Methoxy mellein and a few more phenolic compounds.
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- 2 Kigelia ....
- References: 1) Ind. J. chem., 9 (1971), 611  
                  2) Phytochemistry, 10 (1971), 1603.  
                  3) Ind. J. chem., 7 (1969), 308.  
                  4) C.A. 82: 90065<sup>v</sup>
- 3 Stereospermum Suaveolens (Roxb)DC  
Local Name : Pandri
- Root is used in asthma. The bark yields gum. The flowers are used to check hiccup. The root bark is one of the ingredients in Dasamula quath.
- Chemistry : The leaves are rich in Flavonocides (Suaveolens)
- References: 1) Curr. Sci. 41 (1972), 102.  
                  2) Cancer Res., 28 (1968), 1952.  
                  3) C.A. 70: 10205<sup>e</sup>  
                  4) Indian Pulp, 21 (1967), 567;  
                     C.A. 67: 55240<sup>s</sup>  
                  5) Ind. Oil Soap, 34 (1968), 103-6.  
                  6) Proc. Natn. Acad. Sci., 39 (1969), 1-2.

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- 1 Barringtonia acutangula Gaertn  
Local Name : Piwar
- The tender leaves are edible. Root, bark and seeds are fish poison. The powdered seeds are given to children as an expectorant and emetic. It has got some properties similar to Cinchona. It has got CNS depressant activity.
- Chemistry : 1) Barringtonic acid  
                  2) Barringtonenol-C (Saponin)  
                  3) Barringtonenol-E (Saponin)  
                     Sugar moiety : Arabinose  
                  4) Barringtonenol-D  
                  5) Tanginol

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- 1 *Barringtonia* .....
- References: 1) Sci. & Cult., 22 (1957), 516  
 2) J. Pharm. Sci., 50 (1961), 937.  
 3) Experientia 18 (1962), 66.  
 4) Ind. J. chem., 1 (1963), 322.  
 5) J. Ind. chem. Soc., 40 (1963), 483.  
 6) Tetrahedron 19 (1963), 1727.  
 7) Trans. Bose. Res. Inst., 3 (1967), 45.  
 8) Sci. & Cult., 34 (1968), 259-60.

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#### Capparidaceae

- 1 *Capparis zeylanica* Linn  
Local Name : Govindi
- The root bark is bitter; sedative, stomachic, cholagogue,  
 and used in cholera. Pharmacognostical studies have  
 been carried out on this species.

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#### Allied species :

- a) *C.Decidua* Edgew - Nepati
- b) *C.mooni* Wight - Rudanti
- c) *C.Sepiaria* Linn - Kanthar
- d) *C.Grandis* Linn -

- 2 *Crataeva religiosa* Hook.  
Local Name : Vayavarna  
 Haravarna
- The bark contains tannins and saponins. It is bitter,  
 anti-periodic, tonic for liver. It is useful for  
 infections of the urinary passage.

#### Chemistry : Lupeol

- References: 1) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 13B (1954), 773-5  
 2) Plant Physiol. 54 (1974), 569.  
 3) C.A. 79:123627y  
 4) Bull. Cal. Sch. Trop. Med., 7 (1959), 105.  
 5) Bull. Ind. Med., 1973, p.72.

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Caryophyllaceae

- 1 Polycarpea corymbosa Lam  
Local Name : Bhiska
- The paste of the leaves is applied externally to cure the boils. It is administered both internally and externally as a remedy for venomous bite of reptiles.

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Caesalpiniaceae (a sub-family of Leguminosae)

An important source of Drugs (Ref : Ind. Drugs, 14 (1976), 53)

- 1 Bauhinia purpurea Linn  
Local Name : Deva
- Allied species :
- a) B. recemosa Lam (Svetakanchan)  
 Ref : Curr. Sci. 45 (1976), 705.
- b) B. Variegata Linn - (Thaur)  
 Ref : J. Oil Tech. Asso. India, 5 (1973), 71.  
 Ind. J. Pharm. 34 (1972), 170.
- This plant yields gum (Sem-ki-gond). The bark is used for dyeing and tanning. Bark gives fibre. The plant has some medicinal property.
- Chemistry : The plant contains a trypsin and chromatrypsin inhibitor. Legumes in general form good sources of proteins in Indian dietary. These can become feed for animal nutrition. Isoquercitrin and astragalin (Kaemferol-3-glucoside) have been isolated from flowers.
- References: 1) Curr. Sci. 36 (1967), 574.  
 2) J. Sci. F.D. Agri. 20 (1969), 99.
- 2 Caesalpinia pulcherrima Swartz  
Local Name : Gulutora
- The bark is used an abortifacient. The leaves and bark are prescribed as tonic. A large number of gums of varying composition and varying degrees of structural complexity have been isolated from seeds of legumes.

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2	<u>Caesalpinia</u> ....	<p><u>Chemistry</u> : 1) Gallic acid from flowers.  2) Tannins from fruits  3) Gum from seeds (Galactomannan linkages)  4) Red dye from flowers.</p> <p><u>References</u>: 1) Carboh. Res., 14 (1970), 151.  2) Qrt. J. Crude Drug. Res. 7 (1967), 964.  3) J. Agr. Food. Chem. 10 (1962), 134.</p>
3	<u>Cassia absus</u> Linn <u>Local Name</u> : Chaksie	<p>The leaves are bitter and find use in cough symptoms.  The seeds contain kernels used in skin affections. Gum is recovered from seeds.</p> <p><u>Chemistry</u> : 1) Chaksine (2) Isochaksine  3) <math>\beta</math>-sitosterol 2% from 8.0% non-sap. matter.</p> <p><u>References</u>: 1) Chem. &amp; Ind. 95 (1962)  2) Sci. Res. 7 (1970), 63.  3) Planta. Med. 21 (1972), 150.  4) Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. Sect. A 40 (1970? 338.  5) Ind. J. chem. 9 (1971), 1085.  11 (1973), 13.</p>
4	<u>C. auriculata</u> Linn <u>Local Name</u> : Tarwad	<p>The plant cures dysentery. The roots used in skin affections. The seeds have beneficial effect in ophthalmia and conjunctivitis, in diabetes, urinary affections.</p> <p><u>Chemistry</u> : 1) Kaemferol (2) Auricassidin  2) Anthraquinone glycosides  4) Diathrone glycosides</p> <p><u>References</u>: 1) J. Res. Ind. Med. 6 (1971), 216.  2) Vij. Pari. Annun. Patrika, 15 (1972), 85.  3) Ind. J. chem. 10 (1972), 956.  4) Planta. Med. 23 (1973), 363.  5) J. Chromt. 35 (1968), 562.  6) Leather Sci. 13 (1966), 317.</p>

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5 *C. fistula* Linn  
Local Name : Amaltus  
(Garmala)

Root, bark, seeds and leaves are laxative. Fruits are useful for rheumatism and snake-bite. Cassia pulp is laxative and useful for infants. Leucoanthocyanidins appear to be the main components present in the flowers of this species.

Chemistry : 1) Kaemferol and Rhein glycosides in flowers.\*  
2) Fistuccacidin in bark  
3) Sennoside A. & B. from pods.  
4) Galacto mannan from seeds.

\* - besides fistulin glycoside.

References : 1) Ind. J. chem. 4 (1966), 460;  
10 (1972), 379.  
2) Ind. J. Pharm. 30 (1968), 8;  
31 (1969), 27.  
3) Lloydia, 25 (1962), 29.  
4) Planta. Med. 22 (1972), 71.  
5) Phytochemistry 9 (1970), 721.  
6) Leather Sci., 15 (1968), 171.  
7) J. Eco. Entomologist, 61 (1968), 986.

6 *C. Occidentalis* Linn  
Local Name : Kasoda

The powdered leaves used externally to cure skin diseases. The leaves, roots and seeds are purgative. This plant can find use as green manure (very rich in potash).

Chemistry : 1) Galactomannan from seeds.  
2) Sennosides from leaves.  
3) Physcion, emodin, physcion-D-gluco-pyranoside from flowers; etc.

References: 1) Ind. J. chem. 12 (1974), 1042; 11 (1973), 1134.  
2) Phytochemistry 10(1971), 670; 12(1973), 1186.  
3) J. chem. Soc. 9 (1970), 1285.  
4) Ind. J. Pharm. 28 (1966), 248.  
5) Tappi. 48 (1965), Pt.I, 625.  
6) Plant. Med. 23 (1973), 298, 78.

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7      C. Siamea Lam  
          Local Name : Kassod

It is fatal to pigs. The plant can be used as a green manure. It is a potential source of tannins. This species is known for its various types of flavonoids and pigments.

Chemistry : 1) 5-Acetyl methyl-7(OH)-2(Me) chromone.  
                  2) Berakol  
                  3) Cassiamin A, B and C.

References : 1) Tetrahedron 27 (5), 1971.  
                  2) Ind. J. chem. 9 (1971), 611.  
                  3) J. chem. Soc. 12 (1970), 1686.  
                  4) Ind. J. Appld. Chem. 31 (1968), 239.  
                  5) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 43 (1966), 63.  
                  6) Tetrahedron Letters 39 (1964), 3023.  
                  7) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 41 (1964), 415.

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8      C. Tora Linn (Sicklepod)  
          Local Name : Takla

Powdered leaves are applied externally to cuts for healing. The seeds are used in ring worms and itch.

Chemistry : 1) Toralactone from seeds.  
                  2) Polysaccharide from seeds.  
                  3) 1,3,5-(Tri-OH)-6,7 (Di-MeO)-2-Me anthraquinone from roots.  
                  4) Rubrofusarin-6- $\beta$ -gentiobioside, and  
                  5) Tetrachrysone from seeds.

References: 1) J. Agric. Food. chem. 21 (1973), 222.  
                  2) Planta Med. 21 (1972), 393.  
                  3) J. Am. Oil Chem. Soc. 46 (1969), 47  
                  4) Chem. Pharm. Bull (Tokyo), 17 (1969), 454.  
                  5) Ind. J. Pharm. 31 (1969), 27  
                  6) Ind. J. Chem. 12 (1974), 1251.  
                  7) Curr. Sci. 44 (1975), 67.

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9 Delonix regia (Boj) Raf  
Local Name : Gulmohar

Cultivated. Flowers are used as anthelmintic. The seeds contain gum which may find use in food and textile industries.

Chemistry : 1) Cyanidin diglycoside in flowers  
 2) Lupeol and  $\beta$ -sitosterol, hentriacetylone in petroleum ether of flowers.  $\beta$ -D-glucoside, protocatechuic acid and quercetin in ether extract.  
 3) A galactomannan from the seeds.

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 36 (1967), 365.  
 43 (1974), 213.  
 2) Phytochemistry, 7 (1968), 2061;  
 10 (1971), 1523  
 11 (1972), 1129  
 12 (1973), 617  
 3) Sci. & Cult. 35 (1969), 581.  
 4) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 45 (1968), 464.  
 5) Ind. J. Pharm. 33 (1971), 74.  
 6) C.I. 81:35562J; 78:121351J and 13768<sup>s</sup>

10 Tamarindus indicum Linn  
Local Name : Chinch

The juice extracted from the fruits is used for increasing digestion. They contain trace of oxalic acid.

References: 1) Sci. & Ind. (Karachi) 9 (1972), 131 ) Reviews  
 2) Ind. Gums 2nd Ed. (1973), 369 )  
 3) J. Res. Ind. Med. 6 (1971), 216.  
 4) Ind. Pulp. Paper 25 (1970), 414  
 5) Sci. & Cult. 35 (1969), 581.  
 6) Ind. J. chem. 7 (1969), 123.  
 7) Carbohydr. Res. 4 (1967), 326.  
 8) Phytochemistry 5 (1966), 177.

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Casuarinaceae

1 Casuarina equisetifolia Linn  
Local Name : Suru

The bark contains 6-18% catechol. Useful for tannin industry. The tree yields resin. The needles have been employed for preparing active carbon.

Chemistry : 1) Kaemferol, quercetin, and (+) catechin have been identified in all the seven species of this genus. Cupressuflavone hinokiflavone and ellagic acid also sometimes observed.

References: 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 47 (1970), 179-80.  
2) Ind. J. exptl. Biol. 5 (1967), 192.  
3) Indian Pulp Paper 20 (1965), 191, 93, 95 & 97.  
4) Leather Sci. 10 (1964), 555.  
5) Nature 179, 158 (1957).  
6) Phytochemistry, 10 (1971), 1083.

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Celastraceae

1 Celastrus paniculatus Willd  
Local Name : Malakangini  
Jyotishmati

Medicinal. The oil is rubefacient, seeds are stimulant and nervine tonic. It is claimed in Ayurveda that the oil stimulates intellect and sharpens memory.

Chemistry : Polyester from seed oil has been studied. It is a mixture of several esters of polyalcohols.

Polyalcohols : 1) Malkanguniol

2) Polyalcohols - A,B,C & D

Polyesters : 1) Malkangunin (2) Celapanin  
3) Celapanigin, etc.

Acid moieties : 1) Benzoic (2) Acetic  
3)  $\beta$ -furanoic (4)  $\beta$ -Nicotinic

Non-sap. matter : 1) Hydrocarbons (2) Sitosterols  
3) Amyrins (4) Paniculatadiol.

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1 Celastrus ..... contd.

- References:
- 1) J. Chem. Soc., Pt.II (1938), 1980.
  - 2) Tetrahedron Letters 845 (1973);  
213 (1974);  
2219 (1974).
  - 3) J. Oil Tech. Asso.(India) 7(2), (1975) 51.  
8(4), (1976) 129-30  
9(1), (1977) 1-4
  - 4) Tetrahedron 31 (1975), 1949
  - 5) Ind. J. Exptl. Biol. 7 (1969), 252.
  - 6) J. Res. Ind. Med. 1 (1967), 190.

2 *Meytenus emarginata* Willd

Local Name : Dhanti

Leaves are used in cough.

Reference : Probably no work has been done on this species.  
It is a shrub available in Lakkarkote,  
Kanhargaon and Ballarpur forests of  
Chandrapur.

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Cannabinaceae

1 Cannabis sativa Linn

Local Name : Bhang

All parts of the plant are intoxicating, stomachic, analgesic, stimulant, and sedative. It causes loss of memory.

Chemical constituents : 1) Cannabinol  
2) Tetrahydrocannabinol  
3) Cannabidiol  
4) Cannabidiolic acid  
5) Cannabigerol, etc.

References: 1) Phytochemistry 16 (1977), 719-21.  
2) Ind. J. Pharm. 36 (1974), 152-4  
30 (1968), 282  
31 (1969), 101.

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Cleomaceae

1 Cleome viscosa Linn

Local Name : Kanfodi

The juice of the leaves is put in ears to relieve pain. It is useful in deafness. The seeds are used in expelling round-worms. The seeds are used internally in fever and diarrhoea.

Chemistry : The leaves give positive test for sterols, alkaloids and tannins. The seeds contain saponins.

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 34 (1965), 246.  
2) J. Ind. Chem. Soc. 15 (1938), 532.  
3) C.A. 33: 2558g

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Combretaceae

1 Anogeissus latifolia Wall

Local Name : Dhavada

The gum of the tree is used to gain vitality after delivery. It is chiefly galactan. It has astringent action. The gum is known Ghati gum. It is used in pharmaceuticals.

Chemistry : 1) Hydrolysable tannins (Gallotannin)  
2) Shikimic acid; Dihydro shikimic acid.  
3) Quininic, chebulagic and tigallic acids.  
4) Sugars, etc.

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 43 (1974), 544  
2) Leather Sci. (Madras), 19 (1972), 303  
3) Ind. J. chem. 8 (1970), 48  
4) Aust. J. chem. 17 (1964), 238.  
5) Ind. J. chem. 3 (1965), 308.  
6) Bull. C. Leather Res. Inst., Madras 8 (1961), 132.

2 Calycopteris floribunda Lam

Local Name : Ukshi

The fruit is used in Jaundice. The leaves are used against malaria. Leaves are toxic to earth worms and fish. The flavones of this plant have anthelmintic and antiseptic properties.

Chemistry : Coumarins and flavones.

References: 1) Phytochemistry, 12 (1973), 2573.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 403.  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 010 (1948), 98.  
12 (1950), 50.  
4) Ind. J. Chem. 11 (1973), 403.  
5) Curr. Sci. 44 (1975), 888.

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- 3    Cleistanthus collinus Roxb  
Local Name : Garari  
Family : Euphorbiaceae
- Bears green fruit. Bark and roots used as fish poison. Heart wood is extremely resistant to termites. Extract to leaves is reportedly used as an insecticide on rice crop.
- Chemistry : Fruits : a) Sterol and Triterpenoids, tannins, etc.  
b) Ellagic acid, some lactone (collinusin,  $C_{21}H_{18}O_6$ ).  
Leaves : a) Diphyllin,  $C_{21}H_{16}O_7$   
b) Cleistanthin (Toxic glycoside)
- References: 1) Tetrahedron 25 (1969), 2815.  
2) Curr. Sci., 34 (1965), 179.  
3) Leather Sci. 12 (1965), 438.  
4) Madras Clinical J., 32 (1965), 288.  
5) Tetrahedron Letters 36 (1967 b), 3517  
                        42 (1967 a), 4183.
- 4    Combretum decandrum, Roxb  
Local Name : Punk
- The leaves of the plant are used in West African countries in the treatment of bilious hematuric malarial fevers.
- 5    Delbergia paniculata  
Local Name : Dhobin  
Allied species :  
D. latifolia (Shisham)
- This species may be possessing similar pharmacological properties as other Dalbergia species.
- Chemistry : Bark : Paniculatin, sissotrin, ononin, some minor isoflavanoid glycosides, Dalpanol, etc.
- References: 1) Ind. J. Chem. 9 (1971), 14  
                              11 (1973), 89.  
2) Tetrahedron 28 (1972), 5377  
3) Chem. Commun. 22 (1968), 1390.  
4) Phytochemistry 10 (1971), 1863.  
5) J. Chem. C (1971), 1, 29.

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6 *Terminalia Arjuna* W & A  
Local Name : Arjun

It is one of the constituents of Dasamulequath. It is a well known Ayurvedic tonic.

Chemistry : 1) Arjunine (2) Arjunetin  
3) Arjunolic acid - Saponin Leucodelphinidin.  
4) Friedelin.

References: 1) Proc. Natt. Acad. Sci. (India), 6(1936), 305.  
2) J. Chem. Soc. 1954, 3995.  
3) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 39 (1962), 89.  
4) Ind. J. chem. 3 (1965), 237.  
5) Sci. & Res. (Dacca) 3 (1966), 157;  
5 (1968), 188

7 *T. bellirica* Roxb.  
Local Name : Behda

The fruit of this species is one of the ingredients of 'Triphala'.

Fruit are used in Ayurveda as medicine for stomach and intestinal ailments. They are bitter, astrin, tonic and antipyretic. They contain tannins. The tree exudes gum which resembles gum arabic. The seed yields oil (30.44%).

References: 1) J. Am. Pharm. Asso. 40 (1951), 475.  
2) Nature 177 (1956), 747.  
3) J. Sci. Ind. Res. (India), 21 C (1962), 103.  
4) Ind. J. Pharm. 30 (1968), 233.  
25 (1963), 297  
27 (1965), 145.  
5) J. Ind. Chem. Soc. 45 (1968), 913.  
6) Ind. J. chem. 8 (1970), 1047.  
7) Sci. & Cult. 31 (1965), 425.

8 *T. Catappa* Linn  
Local Name : Jangli badam

The tree yields a gum (Indian almond gum). The kernels yield a valuable oil. The astringent bark may be useful as medicine.

References: 1) Indian Chem. Soc., Ind. & News Ed. 16(1953), 127  
2) Leather Sci. (Madras), 13 (1966), 298.  
3) Indian Oil soap J. 33 (1968), 271.

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9    *T. chebula* Retz

Local Name : Hirda

The tree yields a gum. Fruit well known in Ayurveda. It is astrin, laxt. alter, used externally for chr. ulcers and wounds. It is useful in dentifrice, carious teeth, bleeding gums and ulcerations of the mouth. Fruits have purgative activity.

Chemistry : 1) Tannins, tannic acid, etc.  
2) Chebulinic and gallic acids.  
The fruit of this species is one of the ingredients of 'Triphala'.

References: 1) Bangla Desh J. Biol. Agr. Sci. 1 (1972), 59.  
2) Ind. Oil Soap J., 32 (1970), 274.  
3) J. chem. Soc. 9 (1967), 863.  
4) Sci. & Cult. 31 (1965), 425.  
5) Ind. J. Pharm. 27 (1965), 145.  
6) J. Sci. & Ind. Res. (India), 21C (1962), 345.  
7) Bull. Cent. Leather Res. Inst. (Madras) 8 (1961), 230.

10    *T. tomentosa*

Local Name : Ain (Saja)

The bark is astringent and used as a black dye. It yields a gum used as an incense. The bark yields tannins and oxalic acid.

Chemistry : 1) Tomentosic acid (Triterpene acid)  
2) Tannins  
3) Gum - Sugars  
       Uronic acid.

References : 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 21 (1959), 285.  
2) Tetrahedron 18 (1962), 827.  
3) Leath. Sci. 14 (1967), 40.  
4) Ind. J. Appld. chem. 32 (1969), 351.

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Cyperaceae

1 Cyperus rotundus Linn

Local Name : Bimbal

The paste of the roots is applied externally for healing the wounds, sores, etc. It contains estrogenic substances. Some of the constituents possess anti-inflammatory, anti-pyretic and analgesic activities.

Chemistry : 1) Sesquiterpenoids from essential oil.

References: 1) Ind. J. Med. Res. 58 (1970), 103.

59 (1971), 76

2) Tetrahedron Letters 47 (1967), 4661.

3) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 15 C (1956), 202.

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Convolvulaceae

1 Cuscuta reflexa Roxb

Local Name : Akasbel  
Nirmali

It is applied externally for skin irritation. The seeds are laxative. Clavine alkaloids are present in parasitic and fodder plants. Convolvulus, cuscuta and Ipomea species contain these clavine alkaloids.

Chemistry : Seeds : 1) Amberbelin )

2) Cuscutin ) Not confirmed.

3) Cuscutalin )

4) Kaemferol and its 3-glucoside.

References: 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 12 (1935), 384.

2) Phytochemistry 13 (1974), 1727.

3) Biochem. Physiol. Pflanz., 165 (1974), 104.

4) Ind. J. chem. 4 (1966), 335

2 (1964 b), 378, 81.

1 (1963), 501, 499.

5) Atti Soc. Ital. Sci. Vet. 25 (1971), 299.

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2 *Convolvulus microphillus* Seib  
Local Name : Shankpushpi

The undershrub is considered to be a memory stimulant.  
It is a weed and grows wild.

Chemistry : 1) Microphylllic acid  
2) Rhamnoglucofucosyl-penta saccharide of  
11 (OH) palmitic acid.

References: 1) Phytochemistry, 16 (1977), 715.  
2) Physiol Plant, 23 (1970), 1025.  
3) Pakistan J. Sci. Ind. Res. 12 (1970), 203.  
4) C.A. 73:12703X.

3 *Ipomea nil* (Linn) Roth  
(Morning Glory)

Local Name : Nil-Pushpi  
Nilyel

In Hindi this is known as Kaladana. It contains resinous  
matter (14-15%) divided into glycosidal and non-glycosidal  
parts. This plant has economic value.

Chemistry : 1) Gibberellin glucosides (in seeds, Total 7)  
2) Indole alkaloids, etc.

References: 1) Tetrahedron Letters 1970 (18), 1489.  
2) Agr. Biol. chem. 35 (1971), 583, 573.  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 36 (1974), 44.  
4) C.A. 81:86909<sup>k</sup>; 35626<sup>h</sup>; 61141<sup>r</sup> and 47446<sup>n</sup>.

4 *Evolvulus alsinoides* Linn  
Local Name : Shankapushpi

It is a bitter tonic and used in dysentery. Three more  
species are also named, as 'Shankapushpi'. They are :  
a) *Canscora decussata* (b) *Crotalaria verucosa*  
c) *Clitoria ternateae*.

Chemistry : 1) Betain and other water soluble base.  
2) Gives positive test for sterols and alkaloids.  
3) Water extract contains proteins, amino  
acids, sugars, phenolic compounds and tannins.

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 25 (1956), 119.  
2) Sci. & Cult. 24 (1958), 180.  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 20 (1958), 100.  
4) Ind. J. Pharm. 29 (1959), 200.  
5) Ind. J. Pharm. 31 (1969), 108.

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5 *Ipomoea operculata* (Linn) Silva  
(Syn. *I. Turpethum*) Manso

Local Name : Jalap  
Turpeth  
Nishottar

Allied species :

*I. pes-tigridis* available in  
Chandrapur)

The plant occurs in two forms : (Safed Nisoth) and (Krishna Nisoth). The roots of this species are abundantly used in Ayurvedic practise. The drug is used in different forms of Ayurvedic preparations.

Chemistry : 1) Operculinic acid (2) Rhamnoconvolvulinolic acid.  
3) Glucorhamohexa saccharide of acid.  
3,12 dihydroxy palmitic acid.

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 22 (1960), 284  
23 (1961), 192, 186  
28 (1966), 82  
34 (1972), 126  
37 (1975), 88.  
2) Phytochemistry, 16 (1977), 711.

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Chenopodiaceae

1 *Chenopodium album* Linn

Local Name : Bethu

The plant has been studied. It contains chenopodium oil resembling cholesterol.

References: 1) Physiol Plant 31 (1974), 323.  
2) Plant Cell Physiol. 13 (1972), 773.  
3) J. Sci. Food Agr. 23 (1972), 777.  
4) Chem. Phys. Lipids 4 (1970), 37  
5) Biochem. Biophys. Acta. 149 (1967), 598.  
6) Curr. Sci. (India), 35 (1966), 207.  
7) Phytochemistry 3 (1964), 547.  
8) Curr. Sci. (India) 31 (1962), 333.  
9) Ind. J. Med. Res. 47 (1959), 963.  
10) Nature 159 (1947), 467.

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Cucurbitaceae

- 1 Luffa acutangula Roxb  
Local Name : Ranturai

The plant is reputed to be useful in skin diseases and asthma. Leaves are applied externally to cattles for sores.

References: 1) J. Indian Chem. Soc. 35 (1958), 480.  
2) J. Sci. Fd. Agric. 18 (1967), 445.  
3) C.A. 80: 67315<sup>b</sup>; 81: 86674<sup>e</sup>; 79: 87848<sup>k</sup>;  
135506<sup>w</sup>; 77: 71297<sup>c</sup> and 76: 70279

- 2 Trichosanthes bracteata (Lam) Voigt  
Local Name : Kaundal

Allied species :

T. cucumerina  
(Rich in conjugated acids)

Fruit smoked as a cure for asthma. Root is used in lung diseases of cattle.

Chemistry : Some tetra (OH) triterpene

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 43 (1974), 116  
2) Naturwissenschaften, 43 (1956), 523.  
C.A. 80: 118249<sup>t</sup>

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Dioscoreaceae

- 1 Dioscorea bulbifera Linn  
Local Name : Manakund or Karaka-rinda

This is a large unarmed climber with steams twining to the left. The tubers are used mostly as famine food. It is used for washing wool and as fish bait, for ulcers, piles, dysentery and syphilis.

Chemistry : 1) Diosbulbine, (Active principle)  
Needs further investigation.  
2) Shows presence of protein.

References: 1) J. Crude Drug Res. 9 (1969), 1372.  
10 (1970), 1607  
11 (1971 c), 1761.  
2) Annals Bot. 36 (1972), 605  
3) Ind. J. chem. 7 (1969), 452-56.

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- 2 *Dioscorea pentaphylla*  
Local Name : Ulasi  
NOTE : The plant 'Dioscorea' which is the raw material for birth control pills is rapidly disappearing from India. These species contain Diosgenine which is convertible into cortico-steroids and sex hormones. Minor fraction is utilised for anabolic steroids like norethesterone, etc. Diosgenin is converted to 16-dehydro pregnalone acetate.
- The plant consists of tubers borne close to the surface of the soil. Dr. R.N. Chakravarti and Dr. C.R. Karnick have contributed maximum to this subject of *Dioscoreas* of India.
- Allied species :
- 1) *D. deltoidea* Wall
  - 2) *D. Prazeri*
  - 3) *D. hispida* Dennst
  - 4) *D. glauca*
  - 5) *D. Composita* Hemsl
  - 6) *D. alata* L and *D.*, etc.

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#### Ebenaceae

- 1 *Diospyros chloroxylon* Roxb  
Local Name : Nensi
- It is a fodder plant.
- Chemistry : 1) Xylospyrin (2) Isodiospyrin
- References: 1) Tetrahedron Letters 20 (1970), 1739.  
 2) C.A. 80: 12516<sup>n</sup>  
 79: 75893<sup>h</sup>
- 2 *D. melanoxylon* Roxb  
Local Name : Tendu  
 Tumri
- The paste of the dried flowers used externally to skin diseases. Leaves are diuretic.
- Chemistry : 1) Naphthaquinones and naphthols from the heart wood.  
 2) Triterpenes from leaves.  
 3) Tannins : Bark = 19; Fruit = 15; and half ripe fruits = 23%.

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2 *D. melanoxylon* ..... contd.

- References: 1) Proc. Ind. Acad. Sci. 60-A (1965), 36.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 6 (1968), 681.  
7 (1969), 204.  
11 (1973), 507.  
3) J. Ind. Acad. Wood Science 5 (1974), 55.  
4) C.A. 80: 12516<sup>n</sup>; 79: 75893<sup>h</sup>.

3 *D. montana* Roxb

Local Name : Timru

Fruits are poisonous. Applied externally to boils.

- Chemistry: 1) Bauerenol  
2) Ursolic, oleanolic and betulinic acids.  
3) Diospyrin, m.p. 286-88° (Orange red dye), etc.

- References: 1) J. Sci. Industr. Res. 20B, 498 (1961).  
2) C.A. 79: 49489<sup>m</sup>; 78: 15869<sup>z</sup>; 77: 16589<sup>z</sup>,  
162110<sup>c</sup>; 31742<sup>n</sup> and 30226<sup>s</sup>.  
3) Tetrahedron Letters 29 (1966), 3373.

Allied species : *D. cordifolia*

- References: 1) J. Res. Ind. Med. 6 (1971), 229.  
2) Ind. J. Pharma. 4 (1972), 109.

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#### Euphorbiaceae

1 *Acalypha indica* Linn

Local Name : Kupsi  
Khokli

The whole plant is anthelmintic, emetic, hypnotic, and  
anodyne. Leaves are used in scabies.

Chemistry: Amino acids, sugars, sterols, etc.

- References: 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 44 (1967), 792.  
2) Curr. Sci. 24 (1955), 203.  
3) C.A. 70: 56511<sup>e</sup>  
69: 33612<sup>d</sup>  
68: 43132<sup>a</sup>

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- 2 Beliospermum montanum Muell-Arg  
Local Name : Dantimul  
Ayurvedic medicine. The shrub gives fruits which resemble castor beans. They act as drastic purgative (Poisonous). The oil useful for rheumatism.  
References: 1) I.D.H.A.'s publication No.2 (1961).  
2) J. Res. Ind. Med. 6 (1971), 199
- 3 Bridelia retusa spreng  
Local Name : Kanta-kauchi  
The fruits of this species are edible. The leaves serve as cattle fodder.  
Chemistry : Tannins in bark - 16-40%
- 4 Cleistanthus collinus (Roxb) Benth  
Local Name : Garari  
Plant is extremely poisonous, and astringent. Extract of leaves is good for gastro-intestinal disorders. Root bark is fish poison.  
Chemistry : Fruits : Sitosterol and Lupeol  
Leaves : Ellagic acid, collinusin, Diphyllin, cleistanthin, etc.  
The active principle is oduvin glycoside (m.p. 192-94°).  
References: 1) Tetrahedron Letters 42 (1967 a), 4183  
36 (1967 b), 3517.  
2) Tetrahedron, 25 (1969), 2815.  
3) Curr. Sci. 34 (1965), 179  
4) Ind. J. Pharm. 2 (1970 a), 80.  
5) Drug. Res. 21 (1971), 828.  
6) Tetrahedron 25 (1969), 2815.

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5	<i>Emblica officinalis</i> Gaertn ( <i>Phyllanthus emblica</i> )	Aonla fruit probably is the richest source of Vit. C. It is held in high esteem in Ayurvedic practise (Jeevan is prepared from Aonla). A type bearing comparatively larger fruits than the wild plant is cultivated.
	Local Name : Aonla, Avla	<u>Chemistry</u> : Fruits : 1) 13 separable tannins 2) Four colloidal complex 3) Phyllembin, phyllantidine and phyllantine, Phyllemblic acid. 4) Carbohydrates (14%) and Vit. C (600 mg/100 g).
		<u>References</u> : 1) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 10B (1951), 88 15C (1956), 205 34 (1975), 644 2) Ind. J. Exptl. Biol. 13 (1975), 82. 6 (1968), 232.
6	<i>Euphorbia nerifolia</i> Linn Local Name : Neyadunga Thohar	The latex of the species is applied externally to remove warts.
		<u>Chemistry</u> : Stem : 1) Friedelan-3-Alpha-ol 2) Friedelan-3-Beta-ol 3) Taraxerol
		<u>References</u> : 1) Curr. Sci. 34 (1965), 608, 432. 2) Ind. J. Pharma. 1 (1969), 8, 9 3) C.A. 81: 4092 <sup>b</sup> ; 78: 143983 <sup>u</sup>
7	<i>E. hirta</i> Linn Local Name : Nayeti, Dudanali	Entire plant is useful as medicine. It is included in B.P.C. for the treatment coughs and asthma. The decoction of the plant is used to cure cough.
		<u>References</u> : 1) Bull chem. Soc. Japan, 39 (1966), 2532. 2) C.A. 77: 16524 <sup>z</sup> ; 98756 <sup>p</sup> ; 75: 101315 <sup>k</sup> .

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- 8 E. Thymifoliae Linn  
Local Name : Dhakdidudhi
- This plant has some use as a veterinary medicine. It needs thorough investigation.
- References : 1) Ind. J. Med. Res., 55 (1967), 73.  
 2) J. Res. Ind. Med., 7 (1972), 24.  
 3) C.A. 71: 68036n  
       66: 73239s  
       64: 1013a
- 9 Homonoia riparia Lour  
Local Name : Sherni
- Useful in piles, bladder stone, gonor, syphilis, chest pain, and also as a mouth wash for toothache.
- References: 1) Indian Oil & Soap, 34 (1969), 179.  
 2) C.A. 71: 126288c
- Chemistry : Roots : 1) Alpha-spinasterol  
 2) Alpha-spinasteryl acetate  
 3) Higher fatty acids, etc.
- 10 Jatropha curcas Linn  
 (Wild castor)  
Local Name : Ranerandi  
 Katanjota
- The root bark powder is used as a dressing for sores. Fatty acids of the beans of wild castor have been studied.
- Chemistry : S.S. Sankara et al have reported Flavonoids of some Euphorbiaceae plants.
- References: 1) J. Proc. Inst. chemists, 31 (1959), 213.  
 2) Indian Oil Soap, 34 (1969), 203.  
 3) Phytochem. 10 (1971), 2548.  
 4) J. Oil Tech. Asso. 5 (1973), 8.  
 5) C.A. 82: 13942b  
       78: 156602<sup>u</sup>; 55449<sup>u</sup>  
       76: 44820r; 75: 148523<sup>s</sup>

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- 11 Mallotus philippensis Muell-Arg  
(Hindi : Kamala)  
Local Name : Shendri  
Korku
- At one time, this drug gained considerable reputation as an anthelminitic. The root is powdered and applied externally to cure skin diseases. The oil has anti-fertility effect.
- Chemistry : Seed Oil : 1) Kamloenic acid  
2) Mamloenic acid  
3) Triterpenoids and other components.
- References: 1) J. Sci. & Ind. Res. 10B (1951), 76.  
11B (1952), 463.  
6B (1953), 240.  
15B (1956), 551.  
2) J.A.O.C.S. 31 (1954), 287.  
3) J. Sci. Fd. Agric., 6 (1955), 364.  
4) Ind. J. Vet. Sci. 26 (1956), 31.  
5) J. Sci. Ind. Res., 17B (1958), 117.  
6) Ind. J. Med. Res., 48 (1960), 52.  
55 (1967), 746.  
7) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 1511.

Note : The following three species are available in Chandrapur.

- 1) Phyllanthus simplex Retz      Local Name : Bhuiavali
- 2) Sebastiana chamaelea (Linn)  
Muell Arg                                  Local Name : Bhui-erendi
- 3) Ricinus communis Linn  
(Castor Plant)                            Local Name : Erendi

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Fabaceae (Leguminosae)

1 *Abrus precatorius* Linn

Local Name : Gunja

The species is famous for its small, bright scarlet colour with black eyed peas. The shiny seeds are poisonous, although tribal people use their paste externally against skin diseases. Ratti seeds have been screened for their anti-fertility activity.

Chemistry : (Major alkaloids)

Seeds : 1) Abrin (2) Hypphorin  
3) Chi-oline (4) Trigonelline  
5) Picatorine, etc.

Leaves) 1) Some of the above bases

Roots) 2) Trigonelline as gallic acid ester.

Stem )

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm., 35 (1973), 102, 203, 209.  
31 (1969), 175  
30 (1968), 287  
29 (1967), 346  
28 (1966), 235, 340.  
27 (1965), 94.

2) C.I. 82: 82945<sup>c</sup>; 152120<sup>v</sup>; 153660<sup>h</sup>  
81: 167684<sup>k</sup>; 118422<sup>g</sup>; 101858<sup>p</sup>;  
132739<sup>t</sup> and 59034<sup>d</sup>;  
80: 23907<sup>s</sup> and 106739<sup>q</sup>.

2 *Aeschynomene aspera* Linn

Local Name : Sola

The fibrous material of this plant is used for making sola hats. The pith is used for toys, artificial flowers, models, etc. It can be used for making corks and swimming jackets.

Chemistry : The chemistry of this species probably is not studied.

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- 3 *A. indica* Linn  
Local name : Kath-sola  
The pith of this plant is of inferior quality.  
Chemistry of this species probably is not studied.
- 4 *Butea monosperma* (Lam) Kuntze  
(*Butea frondosa* Koen)  
Local Name : Palas  
A red juice which hardens into a vitreous, ruby-red gum is known as 'Butea gum' or Bengal Kinno. It is a valuable Ayurvedic medicine. It is known to cause human infertility.  
Chemistry : Flowers : Flavonoids (coreopsin, isocoreopsin, sulphurein, butein, butrin, isobutrin, etc.)  
Roots : Free sugars, glycine, some glucosides. Monospermaside, Isomonospermaside, etc.  
References : 1) J. chem. Soc. (1955), 1589.  
2) Ind. J. Pharm. 24 (1962), 63  
27 (1965), 253.  
3) Curr. Sci. 32 (1963), 456.  
4) Ind. J. Expt. Biol. 4 (1966), 246.  
5) Ind. J. Chem. 9 (1971), 1201.  
6) Phytochemistry, 9 (1970), 2231.  
7) Ind. J. Physiol and Pharmacol. 14 (1970), 57.
- 5 *Canavalia ensiformis* (Linn) DC  
Local Name : Pandhartabai  
Fruits, if eaten, create abdominal complaints, hernia, and colic. It can be used as a green manure. The proteins of jack have been extensively investigated.  
References: 1) C.A. 82: 39752<sup>g</sup>; 1466<sup>m</sup>; 121918<sup>g</sup>; 134426<sup>v</sup>; and 108827<sup>g</sup>  
81: 12024<sup>w</sup>; 132755<sup>d</sup>; 101804<sup>t</sup>  
79: 101255<sup>y</sup>; 2442<sup>a</sup>  
78: 93496<sup>g</sup> and 133365<sup>e</sup>

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6 *Clitoria ternatea* Linn  
Local Name : Gokurna.

Root powder acts as purgative. It can also be used in poultices for swollen joints. Corollas give blue dye which can be used as a substitute for litmus.

Chemistry : Root : Taraxerol  
 Taraxerone, etc.

References: 1) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 89.  
 2) Bull (Cal) Sch. Trop. Med. 12 (1964), 23.

7 *Pongamia glabra*  
Local Name : Karanja

It is a source of (1) Pesticidal and allied chemicals, (2) slow release plant nutrients, (3) Non-edible Industrial oil, cheap cattle feed.

Chemistry : 1) Kaemferol (Flowers)  
 2) Kanugin (Root, stem)  
 3) Karangin, Kanjone, etc. (Seeds).

References: 1) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 35 (1976), 608.  
 2) Curr. Sci. 42 (1973), 128.  
 3) Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 209, 1188.  
 4) Tetrahedron 25 (1969), 1063.

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NOTE : The following species of 'Leguminosae' family (Fabaceae) are commonly available in Chandrapur.

1 *Alysicarpus vaginalis* (Linn) DC

2 *Cajanus cajan* var *bicolor* DC

Local Name : Arhar

3 *C. cajan* Var *flavus* DC

Local Name : Tur

Tuvar waste (sticks) can be used for the production of oxalic acid.

Reference : 1) Chem. Inds. Dev. 19 (1975), 21.

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- 4 *Cicer arietinum* Linn  
Local Name : Harbara (Desi & Kabuli)
- 5 *Crotalaria hirsuta*
- 6 *C. hirta*
- 7 *C. Juncea*
- 8 *C. linifolia*
- 9 *C. medicaginea*
- 10 *C. orixensis* G
- 11 *C. prostrata*
- 12 *C. pusilla*
- 13 *C. ramossissima*
- 14 *C. retusa*
- 15 *C. Siricea*
- 16 *Cyamopsis tetragonolobus* (Linn)  
Taub  
Local Name : Bavachi Guar gum obtained from this species is well known. It is used in food, paper, and textile industry.  
References: 1) C.A. 82: 110406<sup>m</sup>  
2) Sci. Reporter, No.9 (1977).
- 17 *Dalbergia lanceolaria* Linn f.  
Local Name : Dandous The seed oil is applied for rheumatic affections. Wood is useful for agricultural implements.

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- 18 *D. latifolia* Roxb  
(Bombay black wood)  
Local Name : Shisham  
The wood is known as Indian rose wood also. Some parts of the plant have medicinal value.
- 19 *D. Sisso* Roxb  
Local Name : Shinshapa  
The heart wood yields viscous oil (5.35%) which becomes like vaseline on cooling.  
Reference: 1) C.A. 82:121682<sup>a</sup>
- 20 *D. paniculata*  
Local Name : Dhobin.  
Reference : Ind. J. chem. 11 (1973), 89.
- 21 *D. Volubilis*  
Reference : Ind. J. Med. Res. 63 (1975), 93.
- 22 *D. Scandens* (Rox) Benth  
Local Name : Gonj  
Roots contain scandenin and chandanin.
- 23 *Desmodium diffusum* DC  
Local Name : Chikta  
Reference : C.A. 57:11590<sup>c</sup>; 61:2431<sup>b</sup>
- 24 *D. gangeticum*  
Local Name : Sarivan  
References: 1) C.A. 78:119200<sup>c</sup>  
77:118146<sup>c</sup>  
2) Phytochemistry 14 (1975), 1129.
- 25 *D. motorium* (Houtt) Merrill  
Reference : C.A. 77: 45519<sup>e</sup>
- 26 *D. pulchellum*  
Reference : C.A. 77: 70236  
73: 110027  
75: 126635
- 27 *D. Triflorum* DC  
Reference : C.A. 79: 75866<sup>b</sup>  
76: 56615<sup>r</sup>

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28	<i>Indigofera astragalina</i>	References: 1) C.A. 54: 25375 <sup>h</sup> 2) ... 52: 20465 <sup>g</sup>
29	<i>I. Cordifolia</i>	Reference : C.A. 73: 65266 <sup>t</sup>
30	<i>I. tinctoria</i>	References: 1) C.A. 49: 3438 <sup>g</sup> 2) ... 58: 9273 <sup>d</sup>
31	<i>Mucuna pruriata</i> <u>Local Name :</u> Kavach	References: 1) C.A. 81: 101804 <sup>t</sup> 2) ... 74: 98057 <sup>z</sup>
32	<i>Psoralea corylifolia</i> <u>Local Name :</u> Bawachi	References: 1) 82: 28627 <sup>b</sup> ; 81: 74911 <sup>s</sup> ; 79: 42699 <sup>w</sup> 78: 120092 <sup>p</sup> ; 78: 40448 <sup>u</sup> ; 78: 97493 <sup>w</sup>
33	<i>Pterocarpus marsupium Roxb</i> <u>Local Name :</u> Bija	References: 1) C.A. 74: 75387 <sup>t</sup> ; 71: 126206 <sup>t</sup>
34	<i>Sesbania aegyptiaca Pers</i> <u>Local Name :</u> Shevari	
35	<i>T. pururia</i> (Linn) Pers <u>Local Name :</u> Sarphunkha	Chemistry : 1) Purpurenin A and B 2) Maximin (Toxic) References: 1) C.A. 82: 69178 <sup>z</sup> 2) ... 78: 101552 <sup>t</sup> 3) ... 78: 15828 <sup>t</sup> 4) Ind. J. pharma. 34 (1972), 172. 5) Qrt. J. Crude Drug Res., 13 (1975), 65.
36	<i>T. Vogelii</i> Hook	References: - do - Chemistry : Seeds : Vogeloside.

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Allied species :

- 1) *T. Candida* DC )
- 2) *T. hirta* Ham )
- 3) *T. Maxima* Pers )
- 4) *T. Villosa* )
- 5) *T. Wallichii* Gearn )

Some of these species are known for their rotenoids content.

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Lythraceae

- 1 *Woodfordia fruticosa*      The decoction of the flowers is used as a tonic.  
Local Name : Dhauri

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Flacourtiaceae

- 1 *Flacourtie indica* Merr  
 (Madagascar Plum)  
Local Name : Bhekai  
 Kakai
- Bhekai fruits are rich in pectin, excellent for jams and jellies. They are eaten in jaundice and enlarged spleen. Bark is used as a tannin of material. Wood is good for agricultural implements and posts.

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Gentianaceae

- 1 *Canscora decussata* Schutt  
Local Name : Sankhvel
- Prescribed in insanity, epilepsy and nervous debility.

Chemistry : Roots : 1) Xanthones  
 2) Triterpenes  
 3) Alkaloids

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1 Canscora .....

References: 1) Phytochemistry, 10 (1971), 2425  
2) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 48 (1971), 589  
3) Ind. J. Physiol. and Pharma. 16 (1972), 81.

2 Enicostema hyssopi folium (Willd)  
Verd

Local Name : Tanavadi

The decoction of the leaves is used as a tonic (Bitter).

Chemistry : 1) Swertiamarin  
2) Erythrococentaurin

References: 1) J. Pharm. Sci. 63 (1974), 944  
2) Ind. J. chem. 4 (1966), 201.  
3) C.L. 82: 156012j  
79: 123670g  
78: 92477x; 69232e

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#### Hypoxidaceae

1 Curculigo orchoides Gaertn  
Local Name : Kalimusali

Powdered rhizome is used in wounds. It is a well-known Ayurvedic drug.

Reference : 1) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 19C (1960), 252.

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#### Lamiaceae

1 Ocimum basilicum Linn  
(Indian Basil)

Local Name : Salija

Allied species : O. gratissimum  
(Dangli Tulsi)

This species is famous for its essential oil. The seed mucilage is composed of polysaccharides.

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 12 (1950), 51, 132, 134.  
2) Indian Soap, 19 (1950), 251.  
3) Curr. Sci. 41 (1972), 214.  
4) Ind. J. chem. 12 (1974), 1164-5.

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Linaceae

1 Erythroxylum monogynum Roxb  
Local Name : Devadaru

It has got some medicinal properties. The essential oil from wood has been fractionated into diterpene hydrocarbons. The crude oil obtained from devadaru is good as a timber preservative.

Chemistry : 1) Diterpene hydrocarbons -

- a) (+)-hibaene
- b) (-)-pimaradiene
- c) (-)-astisirene
- d) (-)-isoastisirene
- e) (+)-devadarene

References: 1) J. Ind. Inst. Sci., 36-A (1954), 78 & 1-2.  
2) Tetrahedron Letters  
a) 37-38 (1964), pp.2751-7  
b) 31 (1965), 2729.

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Liliaceae

1 Asparagus racemosus Willd  
Local Name : Satawarmul

Well known Ayurvedic drug. It is a tonic. The saponins have anti-oxytocic and anti-ADH activity.

Chemistry : Root : 1) Active saponins ( $SA_4$  is major).  
2) Diosgenin in leaves.

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 37 (1968), 287.  
38 (1969), 414.  
2) Ind. J. Pharm. 31 (1969), 175  
12 (1950), 51.

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- 2 Gloriosa Superba Linn  
Local Name : - Indai  
Nagakaria
- The tubers are tonic, stomachic, etc. The toxic properties are due to presence of alkaloids.
- Chemistry : 1) Colchicine and allied compounds.
- References: 1) C.A. 80: 93180<sup>y</sup>  
73: 117136<sup>x</sup>  
72: 88450<sup>s</sup>  
68: 87424<sup>s</sup>
- 3 Iphigenia indica (Roxb) A Gray  
Local Name : Nirpani
- It is a new source of colchicine.
- References: 1) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 1193.  
2) C.A. 76: 15100<sup>c</sup>  
61: 7357<sup>e</sup>
- 4 Sida cardifolia Linn  
Local Name : Chikna  
Allied species :  
a) Sida acuta Burm. f. (Pata)  
b) S. rhombifolia Linn (Cubatada)
- This plant is considered to be one of the most valuable drugs in Ayurvedic practise. It is known since ancient times. It is used in rheumatism.
- Chemistry : Seeds : Alkaloids (0.32%)
- References: 1) C.A. 82: 4527<sup>b</sup>  
81: 88023<sup>r</sup>  
80: 93178<sup>d</sup> and 130486<sup>a</sup>  
78: 55306<sup>v</sup> and 156689<sup>c</sup>  
77: 98828<sup>p</sup>
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- Loganiaceae
- 1 Strychnos nux-Vomica  
Local Name : Kuchla
- Nux-vomica is one of the most important drugs used in medicine. Indian drug (seeds) contain total alkaloids (2.6 to 3.0%). It is estimated that 2000 tons of seeds are collected annually and exported.

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1 Strychnos .....

Chemistry : Seeds & 1) Brucine (2) Strychnine  
 3) Alpha and Beta Colubrines  
 4) Novacine and pseudostrychnine  
 5) Vomicine, etc. plus fatty oil.  
 6) Mucic acid (Oxidation product of seed waste).

References: 1) Ann. Rep. R.R. Lab. Jammu, 1070-71, p.11  
 2) J. Inst. chem. 40 (1968), 42, 85.  
 40 (1968), 133, 162.  
 3) Ind. J. Pharm. 31 (1969), 87, 170.  
 32 (1970), 90.  
 4) Res. & Ind. 17 (1972), 6.  
 5) J. Inst. chem. (India), 48 (1976), 227.

2 Strychnos potatorum Linn

Local Name : Nirmali  
 Nivali

The seeds of the clearing nut tree grow abundantly in Chandrapur. This is a good source of polysaccharide which can be put to many uses if suitably modified. The seeds are used for clarifying Water.

Chemistry : Seeds : a) Polysaccharide  
 b) Amyrin, lupeol, sitosterol, stigmasterol and oil.  
 c) Brucine, Dialboline, etc.  
 d) Triterpenes (Four)

References: 1) Res. and Ind. 18 (1973), 83.  
 2) Phytochem. 14 (1975), 587.  
 3) Planta Med. 28 (1975), 392.  
 4) Ind. J. Pharm. 35 (1973), 206.  
 5) Lloydia, 36 (1973), 357.  
 6) Ind. J. Exptl. Biol., (1975), 163.  
 7) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 52 (1975), 768.  
 8) Curr. Sci., 45 (1976), 657.

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3 *Urginea indica* (Roxb) Kunth  
(Indian squill)

Local Name : Jangli Kanda

Note : It is reported in  
*J. Pharm.* (London) 28(1976),  
81-82, that potencies of  
European and Indian squills  
are same.

Family : Liliaceae

The powder of the bulb is used externally to check skin diseases. The medicinal properties are similar to European squill obtained from *U. maritima*.

Chemistry : 1) Glycosides, scillaren A and B.

References: 1) *Ind. J. Pharm.* 14 (1952), 25  
2) *J. Sci. Ind. Res.* 13B (1954), 150.  
15C (1956), 80.  
3) *Phytochemistry*, 11 (1972), 2888.  
4) *C.A.* 77: 111560S

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Malvaceae

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1 *Hibiscus cannabinus* Linn  
(*Hibiscus sabdariffa*)

Local name : Ambadi  
Mesta

This species is known in Egypt as 'Karkade'. It has very good therapeutic importance for curing heart and nerve diseases. Mesta pulp is better than jute stick pulp.

Chemistry : 1) Cellulose content - 68-80% (Good for writing paper).  
2) The roselle sepals contain pectin.  
3) Mesta fruits contain hiviscin, gossypetin, citric, tartaric and maleic acids plus water soluble polysaccharides. Flavonoids are also reported.

References: 1) *Phytochemistry*, 11 (1972), 1518.  
2) *Aust. J. chem.* 28 (1975), 217.  
3) *Ind. J. chem.* 13 (1975), 198.  
4) *J. chem. UAR*, 9 (1966), 127.  
5) *Ind. Oil & Soap* 32 (1966), 77  
6) *Sci. Ind. (Karachi)*, 1 (1968), 74.  
7) *Pak. J. Sci. Ind. Res.*, 14 (1971), 531.

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Meliaceae

1 Chloroxylon swietenia DC

Local Name : Bhira

The seeds yield non-drying oil (16%). The tree yields a gum. The wood yields an essential oil. Bark contains tannins (17%). A detailed study of the gum has been made.

Chemistry : (a) Chloroxylonine (b) Chloroxyline  
(c) Rutamarin (d) Xanthoxylitin  
(e) Luvengetin (f) Skimmianine  
(g) Nodakenetine (h) Gama-fregarine, etc.

References: 1) Ind. Pulp 22 (1967), 131.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 10 (1972), 674  
1 (1963), 324.  
3) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 41 (1964), 173.  
4) Phytochemistry 11 (1972), 2647.

2 Melia azadirachta Linn

Local Name : Kadunimba

Allied species :

a) Azadirachta indica A. Juss  
(Sedyapa).

b) Soymida febrifuga Adr. Juss  
(Rohan)

The decoction of the leaves is very useful in skin diseases. The leaves are useful for preserving food-grains. It is an insect deterrent. The oil is useful for soap and allied industry.

Chemistry : 1) Terpenoids and related compounds.  
a) Nimbin (b) Nimbidin (c) Nimbidol  
d) Vepinin (e) Melicitrin (glycoside).

References: 1) Tetrahedron, 10 (1960), 45  
11 (1960), 67  
2) Ind. J. chem. 5 (1967), 460.  
7 (1969), 187.  
10 (1972), 452.  
13 (1973), 52.  
3) J. Sci. Ind. Res., 15B (1956), 425.  
4) Phytochemistry 10 (1971), 2842  
11 (1972), 1520.

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Menispermaceae

1 *Cissampelos pariera* Linn

Local Name : Paharval  
Kuruphad

Allied species :

*Cocculus hirsutus* (Linn)  
Diels (Vasanvel).

It contains pendulin,  
coesulin, etc.

It is used for cystitis as a sedative on the mucous membrane of the genito-urinary organs. Leaf powder is applied externally for curing sores.

Chemistry : Roots : a) Very rich in alkaloids such as hayatin, hayatinin and d-quercitol.  
b) Protoberberine alkaloids.

- References:
- 1) Experientia 24 (1968), 999.
  - 2) J. Org. chem. 32 (1967), 819.
  - 3) Ind. J. chem. 5 (1967), 102.
  - 4) Curr. Sci. 32 (1963), 114.
  - 5) Sci. & Cult. 38 (1972), 358
  - 6) Experientia 26 (1970), 12, 241.
  - 7) Ind. J. Med. Res., 52 (1964), 300.

2 *Tinospora cordifolia* (Willd)

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Local Name : Gulanch  
Guduchi

It is used in diabetes (hyperglycaemia). Guduchi satva is well known in Ayurveda for dissolution of Urinary calculi. It has got antibacterial activity.

- References:
- 1) J. Ind. Med. Prof. 18 (1972), 8256
  - 2) Ind. J. Appld. chem. 34 (1971), 46.
  - 3) Ind. J. Pharm. 31 (1969), 180.
  - 4) J. Res. Ind. Med. 3 (1969), 210.  
3 (1969), 203.

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Mimosaceae

The following species of 'mimosaceae' are common in Chandrapur.

- 1 *Acacia arabica* Reference : 1) Leather Sci. 20 (1973), 119  
Local Name : Babul
- 2 *A. catechu* References: 1) Planta Med. 19 (1970), 55  
Local Name : Khar 2) Ind. J. Appld. chem. 32 (1969), 69,  
3) Curr. Sci. 43 (1974), 773.
- 3 *A. leucophloea* Reference : 1) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 11B (1952), 125  
Local Name : Hewar
- 4 *A. rugata* Reference : Ind. J. Pharm. 22 (1960), 174.
- 5 *A. torta*
- 6 *A. nilotica Linn* References: 1) C.A. 84: 61546<sup>p</sup>; 19152<sup>g</sup>; 104268<sup>u</sup>;  
Local Name : Babhul 6738<sup>c</sup> and 40784<sup>z</sup>
- 7 *Albizzia lebbek* References: 1) Ind. J. Appld. chem. 26 (1963), 127  
Local Name : Sirisha 2) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 52 (1975), 1202.  
3) Ind. J. Pharm. 35 (1973), 209.
- 8 *A. odoratissma* References: 1) C.A. 63: 13698<sup>g</sup>; 59: 13930<sup>g</sup>  
Local Name : Chikunda

Note : *Albizzia lebbek* is a well known drug of Ayurveda. It is reported to be the best remedy against poison and cures vitiation of 'Dosas' oedema, erysipelas and allied diseases, cough, wounds, and ulcers.

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Moringaceae

1 Moringa oleifera Lamk  
Local Name : Shevgi

The plant is used in the treatment of rheumatism,  
venomous bites and as cardiac and circulatory stimulants.  
It is used for destroying intestinal worms also.

Chemistry : 1) Free amino acids and carotenes have been  
identified in leaves.

References: 1) Curr. Sci. 34 (1965), 374  
2) C.A. 84: 123777<sup>a</sup>  
82: 123551<sup>f</sup>  
76: 58032<sup>x</sup>  
72: 24525<sup>n</sup>

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Myrtaceae

1 Syzygium cumini (Linn)  
Local Name : Jamun

Seeds are useful in diabetes.

References: 1) Ind. J. chem. 12 (1974), 888  
2) Phytochemistry 11 (1972), 2116  
3) Sci. & Cult. 36 (1970), 298.  
4) C.A. 84: 2249W; 102312<sup>e</sup>  
83: 128750<sup>a</sup>; 128746<sup>d</sup>

The following species of 'Myrtaceae' is less common in Chandrapur.

a) Careya arborea Roxb (Kumbhi). It contains cardiac glycosides. Seeds contain  
Alpha-spinasterol; Alpha-spinasterone; Sapogenol, caryeyagenol E, etc.

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### Nyctaginaceae

- 1 Boerhaavia Chinensis (Burm f) There is no mention about this species in Chemical literature.
- 2 B. diffusa Linn There are two varieties (white and Red). It is bitter, stomachic, laxative diuretic and expectorant. Used in jaundice, ascites, etc. It is reported in literature that Punarnava is a controversial drug.
- References: 1) Quart. J. Crude Drug Res. 3, 1289.  
                   2) Phytochemistry, 10 (1971), 3318.  
                   3) J. Res. Indian Med. 7 (1972 a), 1.  
   7 (1972 b), 13  
   7 (1972), 34.

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### Oleaceae

- 1 Nyctanthes arbortristis Linn The decoction of the bark is used against high fever.
- References: 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 41 (1964), 92.  
                   2) Ind. J. Pharm. 28 (1966), 340.  
                   3) J. Res. Ind. Med. 6 (1971), 183.

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### Orchidaceae

- 1 Vanda Roxburghii The powdered root has anti-arthritis action.
- References: 1) J. Ind. Med. Mission. 45 (1966), 234.  
                   2) J. Res. Ind. Med. 2 (1968), 208.

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Papaveraceae

1    *Argemone mexicana* Linn

Local Name : Kanta-dhotra

The seed oil is useful for skin diseases (Argemone Oil). It is purgative. It is used as an adulterant with mustard oil.

References:

- 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 52 (1975), 626
- 2) Curr. Sci. 40 (1971), 548.
- 3) J. Sci. Res. 20 (1961), 186.
- 4) C.I. 84:147614<sup>w</sup>  
      83:75402<sup>e</sup>  
      81:60863<sup>r</sup>

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Plumbaginaceae

1    *Plumbago zeylanica* Linn

Local Name : Agni-shikha  
Chitramula

It is a strong irritant and a powerful germicide. The roots are used as abortifacients. It has antibacterial activity against staphylococcus albus.

Chemistry : Roots : Plumbagin  
(It is a gastro-intestinal flora normalizer).

References: 1) J. Uni. Poona (1973), 4427.  
                2) J. Uni. Bombay (1974), 60.  
                3) Curr. Sci. 32 (1963), 261.  
                4) Plant. Med. 14 (1966), 337  
                5) The Pharmacist 9 (1964), 45.

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Palmaceae

- 1 *Caryota urens* Linn  
Local Name : Adhi-supari
- The plant is cultivated.  
Reference : 1) C.A. 56:13256<sup>d</sup>

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Portulacaceae

- 1 *Portulaca oleracea* Linn  
Local Name : Pasalei
- The plant is used as an external application on burns.

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Poaceae

- 1 *Cymbopogon martini* (Roxb)  
(Rosha Grass)  
Local Name : Roshegavat
- Palmarosa oil is obtained from this grass. The leaves contain oil (1.4%). Palmarosa Oil is a good source of geraniol.

- References:
- 1) Ind. Perf. 17 (1973), 9
  - 2) Ind. J. chem. 10 (1972), 1127  
9 (1971), 188
  - 3) Sci. & Cult. 37 (1971), 395.

- 2 *Vetiveria Zizanioides* (Linn) Nash  
Local Name : Khus  
Allied species :

- 1) *Coix lacryma-jobi* Linn  
(Ran - Jhondhala)
- 2) *Desmostachya bipinnata* (Linn)  
Stapt (Dharba).

Essential oil from the roots is very valuable. It is commercially known as vetiver oil.

- Chemistry :
- 1) Sesquiterpenes (epikhiloinol, isobisabolone)
  - 2) Carbohydrates.

- References:
- 1) Ind. J. chem. 9 (1971), 188
  - 2) 10 (1972), 1127
  - 3) Sci. & Cult. 37 (1971), 395
  - 4) Chem. Ind. No. 20 (1969), 656.
  - 5) Tetrahedron 8 (1962), 1165.

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Rubiaceae

1 *Gardenia gummifera*

Local Name : Dikamali  
(Gandharaj)

Allied species :

a) *G. lucida* (b) *G. turgida*

The combee olecresin is used for killing maggots in wounds and for removing worms.

Chemistry : Flavones (Wogonins, Gardenins, etc.)

References: 1) Ind. J. chem. 13 (1975), 785  
14 (1975), 651  
10 (1972), 23  
9 (1970), 189.  
8 (1970), 570  
2) Ind. Med. Gaz. 6 (1967), 56.

2 *Adina cordifolia* Benth Hook

Local Name : Haldu

It is used as an antifertility agent. It contains adifoline.

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 35 (1973), 203.  
2) Ind. J. Physiol. & Pharmac. 14 (1970), 209.

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Rutaceae

1 *Aegle marmelos* corr

Local Name : Baela  
Bel

Ripe fruit is sweet. It is considered very nutritive and useful in chronic dysentery. Essential oil is obtained from leaves, twigs and stems. Biogenic stimulators from bel leaves are not alkaloids.

Chemistry : Leaves : a) Aegelin ( $C_{18}H_{19}O_3N$ ); (c) Coumarins, etc.  
b) Aegelenine ( $C_{14}H_{10}N_2O_2$ )  
d) Decursinol and haplopine.

References: 1) Phytochemistry 12 (1973), 2071.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 9 (1971), 763  
3) Sci. & Cult. 33 (1967), 279.  
4) J. Org. chem. 24 (1959), 687.  
5) Phytochemistry 13 (1974), 2329.

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Solanaceae

- 1 Datura fastuosa (Linn) Var alba  
Local Name : Dhutura  
 Kala Dhotra
- Flowers and stems are purple. Flowers, pericarps and fruits are used. It is a source of scopolamine.
- Chemistry : 1) Scopolamine (1-hyoscine)  
 2) Fastusine  
 3) Sitosterol, etc.
- References: 1) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 9 (1974), 79.  
 2) Ind. J. Pharm. 36 (1974), 136.  
 22 (1960), 11  
 3) IDMA Bulletin 7 (1976), 251.  
 4) Lloydia 28 (1965), 71.  
 5) Phytochemistry, 11 (1972), 2527.
- 2 Datura innoxia Mill  
Local Name : Safed Dhotra
- This species also is a commercial source of scopolamine. The leaves are dark green, flowers white and fragrant.
- Chemistry : 1) Scopolamine (1-hyoscine)  
 2) Hyoscyamine  
 3) Meteloidine, etc.
- References: 1) J. Pharm. & Pharmac., 17 (1965), 115.  
 2) Planta Med. 10 (1962), 72.  
 3) Curr. Sci. 32 (1963), 355.  
 4) Ind. J. Pharm. 27 (1965), 91, 171.  
 28 (1966), 3.
- 3 Solanum indicum (Dorli) )  
 4 S. Khasianum )  
 5 S. melongena )
- Note : C-27 steroidal alkaloids of the solanum group are of great potential interest as starting materials in the synthesis of steroid hormone analogues, and new representatives are still being isolated from plants.

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6	S. nigrum (Kemoni)	<u>Constituents</u> : a) Solasodine (b) Tomatidine c) Solanocapsine (d) Solanidine e) Demissidine (f) Demissidine g) Soladulcidine (h) Jurubididine
7	S. Surattense (Kateli)	Sr. No.7 : This plant is used in the treatment of rheumatism, gonor and asthma. It contains diosgenin. <u>References</u> : 1) Tetrahedron Letters 11 (1977), 903. 2) J. Ind. Drugs Manf. Asso. No.5 (1977) 3) East Pharmacist, 20 (1977), 47 4) Ind. J. Pharm. 33 (1971), 54. 5) Ind. J. chem. 2 (1964), 424. 6) J. Ind. Drugs. Manf. Asso. No.15 (1976), 171. 7) J. Inst. chem. (India) 47 (1975), 249. 88
8	Nicotiana tobacum (Tambaku)	Solenosa - (An intermediate for Pharmaceuticals from Tobacco Waste).
9	Withania somnifera Dunal Local Name : Ashvagandha	The roots are employed as a valuable drug in both Ayurveda and Unani systems of medicine. The drug finds important place in the treatment of rheumatic pain, inflammation of joints and in some paralytic conditions. <u>Constituents</u> : 1) Withanine (2) Hygrine 3) Cuscohygrine (4) Anahygrine 5) Inaferine (6) Withasomnines 7) Withaferin & (8) Some steroidal compounds. <u>References</u> : 1) Phytochem. 14 (1975), 189. 2) Sci. Rept. June, 1977, p.380 3) J. Res. Ind. Med. 5 (1971), 251. 4) Ind. J. Pharm. 32 (1970), 70, 16.

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Simarouraceae

- 1 Balanites roxburghii  
Local Name : Hingam This is not common in Chandrapur but it is available in some arid regions of Maharashtra. It is a rich source of steroidal saponins, which on hydrolysis give diosgenin as the major constituent.

References: 1) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 28 (1951), 588  
2) Chem. Listy. 47 (1953), 1875.  
3) Pharma, Acta. Helv. 29 (1954), 260.  
4) Ind. J. Pharm. 37 (1975), 103.  
5) J. Oil. Tech. Assn. (India), 6 (1974), 40.  
6) Arch. Pharm. 295 (1962), 401.  
7) C.I. 78:108225<sup>b</sup> and 144841<sup>b</sup>,  
77:1720<sup>m</sup> and 45550<sup>k</sup>,  
79:99721<sup>b</sup>.

Smilacaceae

- 1 Smilax Zeylanica Linn.  
Local Name : Guti The roots are used to cure rheumatism.

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Sapindaceae

- 1 Cardiospermum halicacabum Linn. It has some medicinal property. The essential oil of the seeds shows fall in B.P.  
Local Name : Kanphuti

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1 Cardiospermum ....

Chemistry : Roots : 1) Phlobaphene  
2) Phlobatannin  
3) Quebrachitol  
4) Apigenin and Proanthocyanidin.

References: 1) Bull BSI 8 (1966), 357.  
2) Ind. J. Pharm. 34 (1972), 76.  
35 (1973), 40.  
36 (1974), 168.

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### Scrophulariaceae

1 Bacopa monnieri (Linn) Pennell

Local Name : Brami

The decoction of the leaves is used in cough. It contains hersaponin as the active principle.

Chemistry : a) Bacoside A and B  
b) Bacogenin A1

References: 1) Phytochemistry 12 (1973), 387.  
2) Ind. J. chem. 5 (1967), 86.  
3 (1969), 24  
1 (1963), 212.  
3) J. Sci. Ind. Res. 19B (1960), 455.  
4) Arch. Intern. Pharmacodynamie, 129 (1960), 290.

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### Sterculiaceae

1 Helicteres isora Linn

Local Name : Kevani  
Murudseng

Isora fibre is known. It is present in the inner bark of the plant, which is extracted from the stem by retting. The residual stalks and twigs are suitable for paper manufacture.

Reference : 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 30 (1968), 283.

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- 2 *Melochia corchorifolia* Linn The stem bark yields a strong silvery white fibre.  
Local Name : Bilpat
- 3 *Sterculia urens* Roxb It yields fibre. The gum is used as a substitute for tragacanth in throat affections. Tender branches steeped in water yield a mucilaginous matter useful for pluro-pneumonia in Cattle.  
Local Name : Gulu
- Sapotaceae**
- 1 *Madhuca longifolia* The oil is useful for soap. The presence of toxic saponin renders the oil cake unfit as animal feed.  
Local Name : Mahuda The toxic cake is useful as insecticide and pesticide.
- Chemistry** : 1) Seed husk contains lignin (28.6%)  
2) Corollas are rich in sugars (72.9%).
- Reference** : 1) Phytochemistry 11 (1972), 465.
- 2 *Mimusops hexandra* The bark yields gum. The seeds contain a bitter saponin which does not get extracted with oil. The fruits are rich in carbohydrates (27.74%), thiamine (70.33 g), riboflavin (77.41 g), nicotinic acid (0.66 mg) and ascorbic acid (15.67 mg). The fruits are edible.
- Reference** : 1) Fette. Seifen Instrichmittel 63 (1961), 711.
- Tiliaceae**
- 1 *Grewia hirsuta* Vahl It has medicinal properties.  
Local Name : Chatarni

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Verbanaceae

1 Gmelia arborea

Local Name : Siwan

Root is one of the ingredients of dasamula Kyath. It is given to women as a galactogogue.

Chemistry : Leaves : Luteolin, apigenin  
Heart-wood : Clutyl ferulate  
Bromine containing lignan.

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 32 (1970), 40.  
2) Curr. Sci. 36 (1967), 71.  
3) Ind. J. chem. 9(1971), 1027.  
4) Tetrahedron Letters (1975), 4697.

2 Vitex Negundo Linn

Local Name : Nirgudi

There are three species useful for arthritis : 1) Commiphora mukul (2) Vitex negundo and (3) Vitex trifolia. Ethanolic extract of the seeds of nirgudi inhibited ovulation in 60% of the treated animals. (Dose : 200 mg/Kg). The other species belonging to this family are :  
a) Clerodendrum serratum (Linn) Moon.  
b) Phylanodiflora (Linn) Greene (Julapimpli)  
c) Tectona grandis Linn (Sagvan)

Chemistry : 1) Hentriacontane  
2) Sitosterol  
3) Para (OH) benzoic acid  
4) 3-4-di (OH) benzoic acid  
5) Positive test for alkaloids.

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 23 (1961), 78  
35 (1973), 100  
2) Ind. J. chem. 12 (1974), 226.  
3) Sci. & Cult. 9 (1944), 508.  
4) J. Ind. chem. Soc. 13 (1936), 634.  
5) Curr. Sci. 34 (1965), 48.  
6) Ind. Oil Soap. 27 (1961), 3.

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Zygophyllaceae

- 1 Tribulus terrestris Linn  
Local Name ; Lahan Gokharu

The fruit forms one of the ten ingredients of the Dasamula Kvath. The alkaloid in the fruit produces rise in B.P.; an appreciable increase in kidney activity. Extensively used in Ayurveda since long.  
Chemistry : a) Positive test for alkaloids (0.001%)  
b) Fixed oil = 3.5%  
c) Resins and nitrates.

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Zinziberaceae

- 1 Costus speciosus (Koenig) Smith  
Local Name : Pushkarmula

A succulent herb with rhizomes. It is a good source of steroidal drugs. This species has recently gained importance as a source for diosgenin.

Chemistry : Diosgenin - 2.6%

References: 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 35 (1973), 114.  
2) Science Reporter, Dec. 76, p. 754.  
3) Curr. Sci. 45 (1976), 688.  
4) J. Inst. Chemists (India) 48 (1976), 143,  
151, 170.  
5) Experientia, 26 (1970), 475.  
6) J. Appld. chem. & Biotechnol. 26 (1976), 657.  
7) IDMA Bulletin No. 46 (1976), 611.

- 2 Curcuma zedoaria Rosc  
Local Name : Kachora  
'Sathi'

The decoction of the fresh rhizomes is useful for clarification of blood.

Reference : 1) Ind. J. Pharm. 33 (1971), 126.

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