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Medicinal plants used by the tribes of Vythiri taluk, Wayanad district (Kerala state) for the treatment of human and domestic animal ailments

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The present paper aimed to document traditional herbal drugs in the treatment of human and veterinary ailments by the tribal communities residing in Vythiri taluk of Wayanad district, Kerala in India. An ethno-medico-botanical survey was carried out in 6 randomly selected panchayaths of Vythiri taluk of Wayanad district, Kerala investigating the tribal healing systems and herbal treatments used for various ailments. Semi structured questionnaires were used for data collection. A total of 67 medicinal preparations involving 67 species belonging to 44 families, used by the Kurichia, Kuruma, Adiyan, Kattunaika and Paniya tribes to treat 33 human and 7 veterinary ailments were documented. Among these, the use of dried powdered corm of *Amorphophallus paeoniifolius* and the leaf powder of *Memecylon umbellatum* as an antidiabetic drug and the whole plant of *Hydrocotyle javanica* for the treatment of fits and asthma are noteworthy. The plants used for the same disease is distinct from one tribe to another of the same locality. The documentation of this information will be vital in future for sustainable utilization and conservation.

Key words: Ethno botany, Kerala, traditional healers, tribes, Wayanad.

INTRODUCTION

The tribes possess unique knowledge about the use of many wild flora and fauna in traditional medicine which has developed over generations of forest dwelling; most of which are either lesser known or hitherto unknown to the outside world. Many tribal groups have been using several plant or animal products for medicinal preparations, and these medicines are known as ethno medicine (Silja et al., 2008). As it is estimated that today nearly 64% of the total global population depends on medicinal plants to fulfill most of their health care needs,

current dependence on traditional medical system remains high (Farnsworth, 1994; Sindiga, 1994). The global market for traditional therapies is estimated to be around \$ 60 billion a year and is steadily growing (World Health Organization (WHO), 2002). According to Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) (1995), about 20% of the drugs in modern allopathy medicine are derived from plant sources.

India has rich diversity of over 500 tribal and aboriginal communities living in remote places in close association

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of forests since time immemorial. They have acquired plenty of knowledge about the plants and their uses to meet their day to day needs and health care (Ambasta, 1986; Maheshwari et al., 1981, 1986; Jain, 1991; Singh et al., 1994; Singh and Prakash, 1994). The importance of ethno botany stems from the varied economic uses of plants among the primitive human societies which may be equally beneficial to modern man. It has also brought to light numerous little known or unknown uses of plants (Jain, 1981).

METHODOLOGY

Study area

The Wayanad district is situated on the eastern portion of Kerala. It lies between 11°27' and 11°58' 35" N latitude and 75°47' 50" and 76° 26' 35" E longitude. The total area of the district is 2,131 km², which accounts for 5.48% of the total geographical area of the state. Wayanad district is one of the potential areas having many important medicinal plants and also highest percentage of tribals in Kerala. The tribes of Wayanad form 17.1% of the total population of the district. In Vythiri Taluk of Wayanad, there are five major ethnic groups these are, Kurichia, Kuruma, Kattunaika, Adiyan and Paniya groups scattered along the Western Ghats forests (Udayan et al., 2005; Silja et al., 2008). Among the five major tribes, Kurichias are the most prominent tribes. They are agricultural tribal community and live in joint families. Although most of them are illiterate, they manifest complex culture in their rituals, family organization, marriage, kinship patterns, leadership and family management. Paniva tribes are bonded laborers. The name 'Panivan' means worker, as they were supposed to be the workers of non-tribes. The Adiyas are mainly landless.

Their traditional occupation is agricultural labour. Kattunaikan of Wayanad is considered as a primitive tribe. They are the kings of jungle regions engaged in the collection and gathering of forest products. Kuruma has 3 sub divisions which include Jen Kuruma, Mullukuruma and Uralikuruma. These are the rarest artisan tribes in Kerala state. These tribes use different medicinal plants for their primary health care and other purposes based on their inherited knowledge.

But while looking through the lens of modernization, such precious knowledge systems have been eroding at faster rate and at times have totally disappeared in the recent past. Hence, the need of documentation and conservation of these valuable indigenous technical knowledge (ITK) pertaining to plants possessed by the various ethnic communities from time immemorial is essential.

Field work

In the present study, ethno-botanical survey was conducted in the Vythiri taluk of Wayanad district, Kerala (Figure 1) from 2006 to 2010 to know about the knowledge of medicine preparations and practices among various tribal groups. The study was carried out in the selected panchayaths of this Taluk, which include Pozhuthana, Kaniambetta, Muttil, Padinjarathara, Kottathara and Kalpetta, where the tribal medical practitioners are largely distributed. During this period, 35 knowledgeable informants with different age groups in different panchayaths of Vythiri taluk were interviewed. The patients

treated by traditional healers were also interviewed regarding treatment and effect of medicines. The information recorded in the field was compared with important works pertaining to Indian medicinal plants and ethnobotany, such as Dictionary of Indian folk medicine and ethno botany (Jain, 1991), Dictionary of Indian medicinal plants (Husain et al., 1992) and Biodiversity documentation for Kerala, Part C: Flowering plants (Sasidharan, 2004).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In the present study, 67 medicinal plant species belonging to 44 families used by the Kurichia, Kuruma, Kattunaika, Adiyan and Paniya tribes residing at Vythiri have been recorded. Here, trees are the primary source of medicinal plants in terms of number of species (21 species) followed by herbs (20 species), shrubs (17 species), and climbers (6 species). The common health ailments treated in the study area were skin problems, wound, toothache, abdominal problems, kidney stones, diabetes, bone fracture, arthritis, piles, fits, asthma, head ache, urinary troubles etc. The information gathered about medicinal utility of plants was compared with the previous work in ethno botanical surveys conducted in this region by Silja et al. (2008), Ratheesh and Anilkumar (2007), Udayan et al. (2008), Hema et al. (2006) and Pramod et al. (2003), and found some similar works. In Table 1, botanical name, local name, family, parts used, therapeutic use and tribes associated with these medicinal practices is shown, and Table 2 gives a comparative analysis of plants used by the various tribes of the study area. The informants used local names for all the species catalogued. These names were checked against the book Biodiversity documentation of Kerala which claims to contain all previously published common plant names. We found 8 undocumented local names. Karimbatta. Manimunda. Nendravalli. Neendaperppil, Rakthavathakkody, Eranga, Cheranvally and Alakam. These plants were identified by the taxonomist of M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, Kalpetta.

The herbal preparations using Adenostemma lavenia (for wound healing), Amorphophallus paeoniifolius (for Jaundice), Ardisia solanacea (for toothache), Artocarpus hirsutus (for piles), Derris scandens (for respiratory disorders), Memecylon umbellatum (for diabetes) form new reports exclusively documented in this paper.

In the present study, the plants *Callicarpa tomentosa* (used for skin problems), *Ageratum conyzoides* (used for wounds), *Cassia tora* (for skin problems), *Cardiospermum halicacabum* (skin problems), *Cyperus kyllingia* (dysentery), *Ensete superbum* (urinary troubles and leucorhea), *Vanda roxburghii* (ear pain) and *Wrightia tinctoria* (tooth ache) is documented. It is in agreement with the earlier reports of Yasodharan and Sujana (2007).



Figure 1. The location of the studied region.

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 Table 1. The plants and their therapeutic uses in Vythiri Taluk.

Botanical name	Habit	Local name	Family	Parts	Therapeutic uses	Tribes
Abrus precatorius L.	Scandent shrub	Kunni.	Fabaceae	Leaf	The leaves are cut into pieces and boiled in coconut oil. Head massaging using this oil reduces hair loss	Kurichia, Kuruma
Adenia hondala (Gaertn.) de Wilde	Climber with tuberous root stock	Karimuthak	Passifloraceae	Tuber	The boiled tuber eating cures hernia	Kurichia
Adenostemma lavenia (L.) O.Ktze.var. lavenia	Herb	Karimbatta.	Asteraceae	Leaf	The leaf juice is applied externally over wounds	Kurichia
Justicia adhatoda L.	Shrub	Adalodakam	Acanthacaceae	Leaf	The powder of dried leaves of Justicia adhatoda, Hydrocotyle javanica Thunb. Zingiber officinale Rosc.is mixed with water and taken internally to cure asthma	Kurichia, Kuruma
Ageratum conyzoides L.	Herb	Арра	Asteraceae	Leaf	The leaf paste is applied externally on wounds	Kurichia, Kuruma, Kattunaika, Paniya
Amorphophallus paeoniifolius (Dennst.) Nicols. var. paeoniifolius	Herb	Kattuchena	Araceae	Corm	Dry powder of the corm mixed in curd and hot water is taken internally to cure jaundice	Kurichia
Ardisia solanacea Roxb.	Shrub	Manimunda.	Myrsinaceae	Bark	The bark of this plant is ground with the fruits of <i>Piper nigrum</i> L. var. <i>nigrum</i> ,the tuber of <i>Plumbago zeylanica</i> L,and the bark of <i>Zyzyphus trinervia</i> Roxb. the ground mixture is chewed to cure tooth ache	Kurichia, Kuruma
Artemisia nilagarica (Clarke) Pamp.	Shrub	Kattukarpooram	Asteraceae	Leaf	The leaf juice is taken internally to cure abdominal pain	Kurichia, Kuruma, Kattunaika, Paniya
Artocarpus hirsutus Lam.	Tree	Ainy	Moraceae	Bark	Grinded bark is smeared on the affected part to cure piles	Kurichia
Azadirachta indica A. Juss.	Tree	Veppu	Meliaceae	Leaf	The leaf paste mixed with turmeric is applied to udder of cattles to cure mastitis	Kurichia, Kattunaika, Paniya

Table 1. Contd.

Bischofia javanica Blume.	Tree	Neeli	Euphorbiaceae	Leaf	The leaves of this plant is ground with the leaves of <i>Adhatoda vasica</i> Nees and applied on the affected part of the Skin to cure skin diseases	Kurichia, Adiyan
Briedelia scandens (Roxb.) Willd.	Scandent shrub	Nendravalli	Euphorbiaceae	Bark, Leaf	The bark juice is taken internally to cure Abdominal pain. The tender leaf juice is used to prepare a medicine for scabies, eczema and wound	Kurichia, Kattunaia
Caesalpinia crista L.	Climbing shrub	Kazhinji	Ceasalpiniaceae	Seed	The seed powder paste is applied on the scalp before bath to cure scurf	Kurichia, Kuruma
Callicarpa tomentosa (L.) Murr.	Tree	Neendaperppil	Verbenaceae	Leaf	The leaf juice is applied on the affected skin to cure scabies	Kurichia, Kuruma
Cardiospermum halicacabum L.	Twiner	Uzhinja.	Sapindaceae	Leaf	The leaf juice is applied on boils and abscess.	Kurichia, Kuruma
Careya arborea Roxb.	Tree	Aalakam	Lecithidaceae	Bark	The bark is ground with salt and applied topically to cure Foot and mouth disease of cattle. The bark of this plant ground with the bark of <i>Lagerstroemia microcarpa</i> Wight and the bark of <i>Syzygium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels var. <i>cumini</i> and pour on the floor of the cattle field. The mixture must cover the hoof of the cattle. It cures the Foot and mouth disease of cattles	Kurichia, Kuruma, Paniya
Cassia fistula L.	Tree	Kanikkonna.	Caesalpiniaceae	Leaf	The leaf juice is taken internally curing mouth sores and tonsillitis	Kurichia, Kuruma
Cassia tora L.	Herb	Thakara	Caesalpiniaceae	Leaf	The ground leaf paste is applied on the affected skin to cure scabies	Kurichia, Kuruma
Centratherum anthelminticum (L.) O. Ktze.	Herb	Kattujeerakam.	Asteraceae	Root	Grinded root juice of kattujeerakam is taken internally against fatty body after delivery	Kurichia, Adiyan
Cissus discolor Blume	Climber	Rakthavathakkody	Vitaceae	Whole plant	The whole plant is crushed and ground in to a paste, mixed with egg white and applied over the wound in cattle	Kurichia Kuruma

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Ensete superbum (Roxb.) Cheesman.	Large monocarpic herb	Kalluvazha.	Musaceae.	Seed	The seed paste mixed with milk is taken internally for urinary troubles and leucorhea	Kurichia, Kuruma.
Emilia sonchifolia (L.) DC.	Herb	Muyalcheviyan.	Asteraceae	Leaf	The leaf paste is applied over the wound cures spider poison and wound	Kurichia
Elephantopus scaber L.	Herb	Anachuvady	Asteraceae	Root	Root paste is applied externally on wounds	Kattunaika
Derris scandens (Roxb.) Benth.	Woody climber	Thodanvally	Fabaceae	Bark	The bark paste is applied on the chest to cure breathing difficulty	Kurichia, Kattunaika
Datura metal L.	Shrub	Ummum	Solanaceae	Leaf	Bathing in water boiled with leaves of Ummam, <i>Vitex negundo</i> L. var. negundo, and <i>Ricinus communis</i> L. relieves body pain	Kurichia, Paniya
Cyperus kyllingia Endl.	Herb	Muthanga.	Cyperaceae	Rhizome	The rhizome paste mixed with milk is taken internally to cure dysentery	Kuruma, Kattunaika, Paniya, Kuruma
Cucurbita maxima Duch.	Twiner	Mathan	Cucurbitaceae	Leaf	The ground leaf paste is applied on burns	Kurichia, Adiyan
Cucumis prophetarum L	Climber	Aattanga.	Cucurbitaceae	Fruit	Made an opening on the fruit, put the finger in it ,keep it there for one or two days.It cures whitlow	Kurichia, Kuruma
Coleus ambonicus Lour.	Herb	Panikoorka	Lamiaceae	Leaf	The leaf juice mixed with honey is taken internally during respiratory disorders	Kurichia, Kuruma
Cocos nucifera L.	Tree	Elaneer	Araceae.	Tender coconut water	The tender coconut water is taken internally for Leucorhea	Kurichia, Adiyan
Coccinia grandis (L.) voight	Climber	Kovakka	Cucurbitaceae.	Leaf	Leaves are ground with turmeric and applied on the cheek to get relief from tooth ache	Kurichia, Kattunaika
Clerodendrum serratum (L.) Moon	Shrub	Peruku	Verbenaceae	Bark	The ground bark is applied over the dog bite wound	Kuruma

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Glycosmis pentaphylla (Retz.) DC.	Shrub	Panal.	Rutaceae	Leaf Root Stem	The shampoo made from the leaves has anti dandruff property The paste of root and stem applied on forehead relieves head ache. The grinded root and stem paste of panal is applied on the forehead against head ache	Kurichia, Kuruma
Holigarna arnottiana Hook.f.	Tree	Cheru	Anacardiaceae	Bark	The bark of this plant is ground with Ocimum sanctum L. and applied on chronic wound or Maggot wound	Kurichia, Kattunaika
Hydrocotyle javanica Thunb.	Herb	Eranga.	Apiaceae	Whole	The whole plant is grinded and the juice applied on the chest to cure asthma and fits	
Hygrophila schulli (BuchHam.) M.R. & S.M. Almeida	Herb	Vayal chully	Acanthaceae	Leaf Root	The leaf paste is applied externally against ectoparasites in cattle The root paste mixed with goat milk is taken internally for kidney stone	Kurichia, Paniya
Hygrophila schulli (BuchHam.) M.R. & S.M. Almeida	Herb	Vayal chully	Acanthaceae		-	Kurichia, Kuruma
Ixora coccinea L.	Shrub	Thetty	Rubiaceae	Leaf	Bathing in water boiled with leaves cures itching	Kuruma, Adiyan
Justicia gendarussa Burm. f.	Shrub	Vathamkolly	Acanthaceae	Leaf	The leaves of Hydrocotyle javanica Thunb.,Justicia gendarussa Burm. f.,and Pterospermum rubiginosum Heyne ex Wight & Arn. grinded and the juice is used to prepare decoction to cure rheumatism	Kurichia, Adiyan
Kalanchoe pinnata (Lam.) Pers.	Herb	Elamulachi	Crassulaceae	The leaf paste is applied externally on wounds		Kurichia, Kuruma
Lobelia nicotianifolia Roth exRoem. & Schult. Var.trichandra (Wight) Clarke	Shrub	Kattupukayila.	Lobaliaceae.	Lobaliaceae. Root The root paste is applied externally to coold wound (Kills Maggot)		Kurichia, Kattunaika
Mangifera indica L.	Tree	Mavu	Anacardiaceae	Bark	The leaf paste is mixed with coconut oil relieves itching	Kurichia

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Maranta arudinaceae L.	Herb	Kattukoova	Marantaceae	Tuber	The underground part of this plant ground with jaggary is taken internally to improve body vigour	Kurichia
Memecylon umbellatum Burm.f.	Shrub	Kasavu	Melastomataceae	Leaf	The leaf powder is hypoglycemic	Kurichia
Mimosa pudica L.	Herb	Thottavady	Mimosaceae	Leaf	The leaf paste is applied externally over wounds.	Kurichia
Momordica dioica Roxb.ex.Willd	Herb	Kattukaipa	Cucurbitaceae	Leaf	1. The leaf juice mixed with goat milk is taken internally to remove kidney stone.2. The fruit of this plant is ground with the fruit of Citrus maxima (Burm.f.) Merr.,Citrus limon (L.) Burm.f., the bark of Pterospermum rubiginosum Heyne ex Wight & Arn.and the seeds of Eleusine coracana (L.) Gaertn. and applied externally on fractured part of the body	Kurichia, Kattunaika
Mucuna pruriens (L.) DC.var. pruriens	Climber	Naikkurana.	Fabaceae	Whole plant	The plant is crushed in to a paste and applied on the body ectoparasites in cattle	Kurichia, Paniya
Persea macrantha (Nees) Kosterm.	Tree	Kulirmavu	Lauraceae	Bark	The bark of this plant is grinded with the leaves of Clematis gouriana Roxb. Ex DC. ,Cassia tora L., Eclipta prostrata (L.) L.,Mimosa pudica L. and Cassia tora L.and applied on the fore head to relieve head ache	Kurichia
Plectranthus wightii Benth.	Herb	Murikootty, Iruvely	.Lamiaceae	Leaf	The leaf paste mixed with turmeric powder and salt is applied externally on wounds	Kurichia
Plumeria rubra L.	Tree	Kattuchembakam.	Apocynaceae	Bark	The bark paste is applied on the affected part of the Skin externally to cure skin diseases	Kurichia
Polygonum chinense L.	Scandent shrub	Cheranvally	Polygonaceae	Leaf	The leaf paste is applied externally on the skin to cure skin diseases	Kurichia

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Psidium guajava L.	Tree	Pera	Myrtaceae	Leaf,	The leaves of this plant is are ground with turmeric and taken orally to cure abdominal pain	Kurichia, Paniya, Kuruma
Pterocarpus marsupium Roxb.	Tree	Venga.	Fabaceae	Bark	The crushed bark juice drinking cures filariasis	Kurichia, kuruma
Pterospermum rubiginosum Heyne ex Wight & Arn.	Tree	ldinjil	Sterculiaceae	Bark	The bark of idinjil and the eaves of <i>Aloe</i> vera L. are ground mixed with egg white and applied externally on sprained part of the body	Kurichia, Paniya, Kattunaika, Adiyan
Ricinus communis L.	Shrub	Avanak.	Euphorbiaceae	Young leaf	The leaf paste is mixed with milk and apply on the fore head against head ache	Kuruma
Ruta graveolens L. var. angustifolia Hook.f.	Shrub	Arootha.	Rutaceae	Flower	The ground flower paste is applied thickly over the snake bitten part to absorb poison	Kuruma
Scoparia dulcis L.	Herb	Kallurukki	Scrophulariaceae	Root	Hot infusion of ground root is taken orally for kidney stone	Kurichia, Kattunaika
Solanum torvum Sw.	Shrub	Putharichunda.	Solanaceae	Leaf	The leaf paste is applied externally over wounds	Kurichia, Paniya, Kattunaika, Adiyan
Solenocarpus indicus Wight & Arn.	Tree	Kattambazham	Anacardiaceae	Bark, Fruit	The bark and the fruits of Kattambazham are ground with the bark of <i>Bischofia javanica</i> Blume, the leaves of <i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Pers.,and the bark of <i>Bridelia scandens</i> (Roxb.) Willd .The juice is taken orally to cure ulcer	Kurichia, Paniya
Spilanthes calva DC.	Herb	Palluvethanappoovu	Asteraceae	Flower	Chewing the flower cures tooth ache	Kurichia
Tabernaemontana heyneana Wall.	Tree	Kokkappala.	Apocynaceae	Bark	Chewing gently heated stem bark of this plant reduces tooth ache	Kuruma.
Tectona grandis L.f.	Tree	Thekku	Verbinaceae	Tender leaf	The tender leaves are cut in to small pieces, fried in coconut oil and applied externally on fingers with paronychia	Kurichia

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Terminalia bellerica (Gaertn.) Roxb.	Tree	Thanni	Combretaceae	Bark	The ground bark is given orally to dogs having abdominal pain	Kurichia, Paniya
Vanda roxburghii R. Br.	Orchid	Maravazha.	Orchidaceae	leaf	The juice spelled from heated leaves is used as an ear drop during ear ache	Kuruma, Kurichia
Vernonia cinerea (L.) Less.	Herb	Poovamkurunnel.	Asteraceae	Whole plant	The plant paste smearing cures head ache and joint pain.	Kuruma, Adiyan
Wrightia tinctoria (Roxb.) R. Br.	Tree	Dentappala.	Apocynaceae	Bark, Leaf	The mixed bark and leaf paste of this plant is used as a medicine for tooth ache.	Kuruma, Paniya
Zingiber zerumbet (L.) J.E. Smith	Herb	Kattingi, Malainchi	Zingiberaceae	Rhizome	The ground rhizome is applied externally on the infected skin	Kurichia, Kuruma, Adiyan.

Table 2. A comparative analysis of plants used by the various tribes of the study area.

Ailmont		The plants used by the tribes							
Ailment	Kurichia	Kuruma	Kattunaika	Adiyan	Paniya				
Wound	Adenostemma lavenia, Ageratum conyzoides Cissus discolor, Solanum torvum, Plectranthus Mimosa pudica, Kalanchoe pinnata	Cissus discolor , Kalanchoe pinnata	Ageratum conyzoides, Elephantopus scaber, Solanum torvum	Solanum torvum	Ageratum conyzoides, Solanum torvum				
Asthma	Adhatoda vasica , Hydrocotyle javanica	Adhatoda vasica	-	-	-				
Hair fall	Abrus precatorius	Abrus precatorius	-	-	-				
Jaundice	Amorphophallus paeoniifolius	-	-	-	-				
Tooth ache	Ardisia solanacea	Ardisia solanacea, Wrightia tinctoria	-	-	Wrightia tinctoria				
Abdominal pain	Artemisia nilagarica Briedelia scandens	Artemisia nilagarica	Artemisia nilagarica, Briedelia scandens	-	Artemisia nilagarica				

Table 2. Contd.

Piles	Artocarpus hirsutus	-	-	-	-
Skin diseases	Bischofia javanica, Briedelia scandens. Caesalpinia crista, Callicarpa tomentosa, Cassia tora, Zingiber zerumbet, Polygonum chinense, Plumeria rubra, Mangifera indica, Glycosmis pentaphylla	Briedelia scandens, Callicarpa tomentosa, Zingiber zerumbet, C assia tora, Caesalpinia crista	-	Bischofia javanica, Zingiber zerumbet, Glycosmis pentaphylla	-
Fever, cold, cough	Artemisia vulgaris	Artemisia vulgaris	-	-	-
Mastitis	Azadirachta indica	-	Azadirachta indica	-	Azadirachta indica.
Boils and abscesses	Cardiospermum halicacabum	Cardiospermum, halicacabum	-	-	-
Foot and mouth disease of cattles	Careya arborea	Careya arborea	-	-	Careya arborea
Tonsilitis	Cassia fistula	Cassia fistula			
Swelling body after delivery	Centratherum anthelminticum	-	-	Centratherum, anthelminticum	-
Dog bite	-	Clerodendrum serratum	-	-	-
Toothache	Coccinia grandis, Spilanthes calva.	Tabernaemontana heyneana	Coccinia grandis	-	-
Leucorhea.	Cocos nucifera, Ensete superbum	Ensete superbum	-	Cocos nucifera	-
Respiratory disorders.	Coleus ambonicus, Derris scandens	Coleus ambonicus	Derris scandens		
Burns	Cucumis prophetarum, Cucurbita maxima	-	-	Cucumis prophetarum, Cucurbita maxima	-
Whitlow	Cucumis prophetarum	Cucumis prophetarum	-	-	-
Dysentery	Cyperus kyllingia	Cyperus kyllingia	Cyperus kyllingia		Cyperus kyllingia

Table 2. Contd.

Spider poison	Emilia sonchifolia	-	-	-
Urinary troubles	Ensete superbum, Ardisia solanacea	Ensete superbum, Ardisia - solanacea -	-	-
Headache	Glycosmis pentaphylla	Glycosmis pentaphylla -	-	-
Ear pain	Vanda roxburghii	Vanda roxburghii -	-	-
Ulcer	Solenocarpus indicus	Solenocarpus indicus -	-	-
Kidney stone	Scoparia dulcis , Hygrophila schulli	Scoparia dulcis, Hygrophila schulli -	-	-
Snake bite	-	Ruta graveolens	-	-
Diabetics	Memecylon umbellatum		-	-
Rheumatism	Justicia gendarussa		Justicia gendarussa	-

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