

HERBAL FORMULATIONS USED IN THE TREATMENT OF KIDNEY STONE BY KORKU TRIBES OF AMBABARWA, DISTRICT BULDANA, MAHARASHTRA, INDIA

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Abstract

The study area is the part of Melghat tiger project which is situated in Satpuda range. Ambabarwa wild life sanctuary is the northern part of Maharashtra and southern part of Madhya Pradesh. The work is based on medicinal plants which are usually practice by Korku and Bhil tribes from the Ambabarwa in the treatment of kidney stone. In Buldana District kidney stone is the most prevalent disease. Tribal communities basically depend on locally available plants to cure their various ailments. Traditional healers of this region used various plant species in the treatment of kidney stone. Authors attempt to procure information about plant species which are practiced by the tribes of this region in the treatment of kidney stone.

Keywords : Herbal, Korku Tribes, Kidney stone, Ambabarwa wild life sanctuary, Buldhana, Maharashtra, India

Introduction

Ambabarwa is bounded by Jalgaon, Jamod, and Talasari, district Buldana. It is situated in Satpuda range. It is the northern part of Maharashtra and bordering Madhya Pradesh in the North and East. This area Geographically located in latitude between $21^{\circ}44'$ N and $21^{\circ}08'$ N, longitude: between $76^{\circ}39'$ E and $77^{\circ}31'$ E. The total forest area of Ambabarwa is 127.11 sqkms areas. It is declared as wild life sanctuary notified in 1973-74. From the northern end of Melghat tiger reserve the "Tapi" river flows through the forest which lies in catchment area of river system. The characteristic feature of the study area is dry deciduous forest. For day to day requirement man is dependent on nature. So nature has healing properties. In Ancient days, man has been using plant remedies to cure his ailments.

Kidney is the largest filtration organ of the body. The problem of urinary stone or kidney stone is very ancient one and many remedies have been employed during the ages. These stones are found in all part of urinary tract, kidney, ureter urinary bladder etc.

Kidney stone or urolithiasis is the condition where urinary calculi are formed in the urinary tract. It is a common disorder estimated to occur in approximately 12% of the population, with a recurrence rate of 70-81% in males, and 47-60% in female. It causes serious health problems such as severe pain, urinary tract obstruction and infection that adversely affect well-being of individuals. kidney stone formation or urolithiasis is a complex processes that occur due to imbalance between promoters and inhibitors in the

kidneys. The Factor affecting stone formation are urine output (hence the concentration).The concentration of specific constituent urine pH, and infection or damage within the urinary tract. (Tiwari Anand et al, 2012)

Material and Methods

For the documentation of ethno-medicinal information and collection of plant material several surveys were carried out during 2015 -2016 with the help of local herbal medicinmen of Ambabarva, JalgoanJamodtahasil, district Buldana, Maharashtra. The data presented here is based on personal observations and interviews with herbal practitioners (viz. medicine, hakims and old aged people) and methodology is based on the methods available in literature(Jain 1989) and (Jain and Mudgal 1999) .The medicinal utilities of plant species along with mode of administration is procured from tribal healer and experience herbal medicinemen in the region who practice crude plant drugs to cure kidney stone. Herbariums were prepared and plant identification was done by using regional floras and authenticated by taxonomist. The collected information from the herbal healers of the region were compared with published literature (Kirtikar and Basu, 1933; Sharma and Singh,2001; Patil and Biradar,2011).

Scientific names of the plant species with local name, family, parts used to cure kidney stone are given in the following table no.1

Table No. -1Medicinal plant used for kidney stone

| Sr.no. | Plant name | Family | Plant part Used | Local name |
|--------|--|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | <i>Abrusprecatorius</i> .L | Fabaceae | Leaf juice | Gunj |
| 2 | <i>Abutilon indicum</i> (Link) Sweet[1] | Malvaceae | Leaf juice | Petari/ Atibala |
| 3 | <i>Achyranthesaspera</i> L. | Amaranthaceae | Root | Aghada |
| 4 | <i>Argemonemaxicana</i> L. | Papaveraceae | Root | Satyanashi |
| 5 | <i>Asteracanthalongifolia</i> Nees. | Acanthaceae | Seed | Talimkhana |
| 6 | <i>Anthocephalascadamba</i> Miq. | Rubiaceae | Stem bark | Kadamb |
| 7 | <i>Amaranthusspinosa</i> L. | Amaranthaceae | leaf | Katerichavali |
| 8 | <i>Amaranthusviridis</i> L. | Amaranthaceae | leaf | Jangalichavali |
| 9 | <i>Bauhinia racemosa</i> Lam. | Caesalpiniaceae | Stem bark | Kanchan |
| 10 | <i>Boerhaaviadiffusa</i> L. | Nyctaginaceae | Root | Punernava |
| 11 | <i>Bombaxceiba</i> L. | Bombaceae | Corn | Semal |
| 12 | <i>Bryophyllumpinnatum</i> (Lam) Oken | Crassulaceae | Leaf juice | Patari |
| 13 | <i>Cretevanurvela</i> (Buch.-Ham.) | Capparaceae | leaf | Yavarna |
| 14 | <i>Cyathoclinepurpurea</i> (Buch.-Ham.exD.Don)Kuntze | Asteraceae | Root | Dagadphodi/Gangotra |
| 15 | <i>Celosiaargentea</i> L. | Amaranthaceae | Seed | kaduu |
| 16 | <i>Citrusmedia</i> L. | Rutaceae | fruit | Khattanibu |
| 17 | <i>Clitoriaternate</i> L | Papilionaceae | leaves | Aparajita /gokarna |
| 18 | <i>Ensetesuperbum</i> .Roxb. | Musaceae | Seed | JangaliKeli |
| 19 | <i>Pogamiapinnata</i> L. | Papilionaceae | Bark | Karanj/kadubadam |
| 20 | <i>Terminaliaarjuna</i> (Roxb.)Wight&Arn | Combretaceae | Bark | Arjuna |
| 21 | <i>Lawsoniainermis</i> L. | Lathraceae | leaves | Jangalimehandi |

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|----|--|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|
| 22 | <i>Punicagranatum</i> L. | Punicaceae | Fruit bark | Anar |
| 23 | <i>Cocciniagrandis</i> (L.)Voigt | Cucurbitaceae | leaves | Tendule |
| 24 | <i>Lagenariasiceraria</i> (Molina)S tandl. | Cucurbitaceae | Seed | Bhopala |
| 25 | <i>Trianthemaportulacastrum</i> L. | Aizoaceae | Whole plant | Pandaravasu/ Khapkhundi |
| 26 | <i>Cuminumcyminum</i> L. | Apiaceae | Fruit | Jeera |
| 27 | <i>Spharantesindicus</i> L. | Asteraceae | Whole plant | Gorakhmundi |
| 28 | <i>Tageteserecta</i> L. | Asteraceae | Flower | Zendu |
| 29 | <i>Tridexprocumbens</i> L. | Asteraceae | leaves | Kambermodi |
| 30 | <i>Vernoniacinerea</i> L. | Asteraceae | Whole plant | Sahadevi |
| 31 | <i>Chrysanthemumcoronarium</i> L. | Asteraceae | Leaves | Sevanti |
| 32 | <i>Thevetiaperuviana</i> L. | Apocynaceae | Root | Kaner |
| 33 | <i>Gymnemasylvestris</i> R.Br. | Asclepiadaceae | Leaves | Gudmar |
| 34 | <i>Solanumsurattense</i> Burm.f | Solanaceae | Root | Doskfodi |
| 35 | <i>Hyptissuaveolens</i> L.Poit. | Lamiaceae | Leaves | Road tulsi |
| 36 | <i>Kickxiaramosissima</i> (Wall.)Ja nchen | Plantaginaceae | Whole plant | Nikaybhashma |
| 37 | <i>Tribulusterrestris</i> L. | Zygophyllaceae | Fruit | Gokharu |
| 38 | <i>Marcotylomuniflorum</i> (Lam.) Verdc. | Fabaceae | Seed | Kulthi /Kultha/Holga |
| 39 | <i>Meliaazedarach</i> L. | Meliaceae | Bark | Bakan |
| 40 | <i>Colocasiaesculenta</i> (L.)Schott | Amaranthaceae | Rhizome juice | Jangalichamkura |
| 41 | <i>Euphorbiahirta</i> L. | Euphorbiaceae | Leaf | Lahandudhi |
| 42 | <i>Phyllanthusamarus</i> L. | Euphorbiaceae | Whole plant | Bhueiawala |
| 43 | <i>Ricinuscommunis</i> L. | Euphorbiaceae | Root | Erandi |
| 44 | <i>Gloriosasuperba</i> L. | Colchicaceae | Tuberous Root | Kallavi |
| 45 | <i>Tectonagrandis</i> L.f | Lamiaceae | Seed | Sag |
| 46 | <i>Urgineaindica</i> (Roxb.)Kunth. | Liliaceae | Bulb | Janglikanda |

Discussion and Conclusion:

The information of 46ethno-medicinal plant species belonging to 31 families have been given which are used by the herbal healers of Ambabarwa to cure kidney stone.

Kidney stone or Urolithiasis is the condition where urinary calculi are formed in kidney or in urinary tract. It is a common disorder estimated to occur in approximately 12% of the population, with a recurrence rate of 70-81% in males, and 47-60% in female. It causes serious health problems such as severe pain, Urinary - tract obstruction and infection that adversely affect well-being of individuals.

Though the treatment of kidney stone has been revolutionized by the development of non-invasive methods of stone disruption but patients always try to refrain from surgical procedures, moreover, it also carries the factors like high cost availability, side effects, etc. To treat this disorder, various drugs are used. Even

improvement in medical techniques has developed invasive method of stone disruption like lithotripsy and surgical methods. But these methods are costly non-affordable to the poor section and the re-occurrence rate is also high (50–80%) The safest and cheapest remedy for the treatment includes the use of herbal formulations. Traditional herbal remedies which are regarded as quite safe, with less or no side effects, cost effective, readily available and easily affordable.

The plant species used by the medicinen *Bryophyllumpinnatum* (Lam.) Oken., Prachi, *et al.*, (2009), *Amaranthus spinosa* L., and *Tribulus terrestris* L., Ghatapandit S.R. *et al.*, (2010) *Achyranthes aspera* L., Aggarwal A *et al.*, (2010) *Ensetes superbum* Roxb., *Dolicandrone falcate* Seem. contain some bioactive compounds, these bioactive compounds have good and helpful property to cure a kidney stone. Therefore, further chemical analytical work of such plant species will definitely help to design particular drugs. Now a day some medicinal plants in the region are vanishing due to over exploitation and because of anthropological activities. These plants are needed to be conserved.

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