

Plant Species

Accepted Name: *Abrus precatorius* L.
Family: FABACEAE
Used in: Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, Folk, Homeopathy, Sowa Rigpa, Chinese
Habit: Climber
Distribution: This has a global distribution in the Pantropics. Within India, it occurs almost throughout the tropical regions up to an altitude of about 1050 m. in the outer Himalayas. It is sometimes planted in gardens.



Common Uses

The root, seed and leaves of Gunja is used in the form of powder to treat avabahuka(frozen shoulder), gandamala(scrofula), dental caries, baldness, dandruff, for promoting growth of ear lobes, erysipelas and skin diseases.Dental caries:Root of gunja made into a paste is applied on affected parts (5-10 gms). It relieves the pain caused by dental caries (RM.5.13).Dandruff: Oil cooked with gunja seeds along with bhrngaraja(*Eclipta alba*) in case of itching, dandruff and other diseases of scalp (10-15 ml)(VM.57.70).

Herbarium



Geographical Distribution Map



Conservation Concern Details

State	Threat States With Assessment year	Trade
Chhattisgarh	NT ²⁰⁰³	High
Madhya Pradesh	NT ²⁰⁰³	High

Languages (No. of Names) :

Vernacular Names

Arabic (5) :

aainu-ddik, aainuddekk, aainuddik, ratti safaid, ratti surkh

English (8) :

coral pea, crab s eye, indian liquorice, jequerity seed, jumbie beans, lucky or paternoster bean, rati, rosary pea

Hindi (30) :	bhut kesi, chanboi, charmoi, charmoli, chirmi, chirmiti, chormoi, gaunchhi, gaungchi, ghungchi, ghunghachi, gumchi, guncaci, gunchi, gunci, gunj, gunj ratt, gunja, gunji, gunjratt, kunch, raktan, rati, ratigiri, ratki, rattak, ratti, rauns, sarmai, tatti
Kannada (21) :	galaganji, gul-ganji, gulagangi, gulaganji, gulagunji, gulagunjie, gulganji, guliganji, gulugunjiballi, gunja, gunji, guruganji, gurugonji, gurugunji, haqa, hauga, jeshtamadhu, jeshtamadhu, kempu kannu beeja, madhuka, madhukavalli
Malayalam (17) :	atimadhuram, cekkunni, coonycooroo, gundumani, gunja, irattimadhuram, kakani, klitakkam, klitakkam, konni, kunni, kunni-kuru, kunnikkuru, kunnikuru, madhukam, madhumulam, shekkunni
Marathi (8) :	chanoti, gunchi, gunj, gunja, gunji, khaksi, kunch, lahan-gunj
Persian (5) :	chashme-khuros, chashmekharush, chashmkhuros, chashmkuros, surkh
Sanskrit (54) :	angaravallari, angaravalli, aruna, bhilabhushana, bhillabusana, chakrashalya, chataki, chudala, chudamani, dhvankshanakha, durmogha, goonja, gunja, gunjika, kaka, kakachinchchi, kakachinchibijam, kakachinchika, kakadani, kakajangha, kakananti, kakanantika, kakashimbi, kakatikta, kakatundika, kakavallari, kakini, kaksha, kamboji, kanchi, kanichi, krishnachudika, krishnala, kunni, mirintika, rakta, raktala, raktika, saumya, shangushta, shikhandi, shikhandini, shitapaki, shvetabija, shvetagunja, shvetarakтика, shvetkamboji, shvetochchata, shyamalachuda, tulabija, uchchatta, vaktrashalya, vanya, vayasadini
Tamil (122) :	adimaduram, adingam, adisamiyai, ali, aru, atimaturam, atinkam 2, atti, avu 2, cinkili 2, cinni 2, cinnicanni, ciritakam, ciritam, ciritam#, ciritam@, cirrilaimanikkoti, citakkanni, citikam, citikamanikkoti, cittilaiccteti, civappakatitakkoti, civappakatitam, coondumunnie vayr, cutamanikkoti, edalagam, egunru, ekunru, etalakam 2, gundu-mani, gundumani, kakacinai, kakacinci, kakananti, kakanantirai, kakatiktam, kakavallari, kalluraynci, kalmuraki, kalmurakikkoti, kamapoki, kamperu, kampocam 4, kampoki, kampokikam, kandam, karunkunri, karuttaniramalacci, katukali, katukalikkoti, katuku 2, kindumuthan, koccimancati, koccimancatimani, kollikam, koticci 3, kotipenam, kotiyenacceti, kuccam, kunacam, kunakkari, kunapacakkoti, kunca, kuncakam, kuncalakkoti, kuncalam, kuncaram 3, kunci, kuncikam, kuncuram, kundrimani, kundumani, kundumuthan, kuni, kunjam, kunjuram, tunni, tunni#, tunni@, tunri, tunri-mani, kunriccteti, kunrimani, kunrivittu, kunthamani, kuntri, kuntumani, kuruvi, kuruvikakkoti, kuruvikam, kuruvintakkoti, malaikkuruvi, manicckai, maturakam 5, mukkirakariyar, mukkirkariyar, nakaciritam#, nakaciritam@, nancaruttanputu 2, nanci, nancicci, naykattankoti, naykkarantai, naykkattan, nilakkunti, nilakkuntikkoti, nirattakankari, pacalai, palaccaki, palaccakikkoti, palaccaritam, tamirakam, tamirikai, tittaparuvan, uccatam, uma, umatakiyakkoti, umatakiyam, uyar, uyarvukkoti, venkunri, venkunrivittu
Telugu (16) :	atimadhuramu, guri-ginja, guriginja, gurija, gurivenda, gurivinda, guru-venda, guruginia, guruginja, gurugonji, gurunenda, kukkutam, kukkutamu, mukkutamu, raktika, sinnaguruginja
Tibetan (4) :	ma ru rtse, o la mase dmarpo, ol ma se dkar po, ol ma sedmar po(d)
Urdu (5) :	ghunchchi surkh, ghunchi, ghungchi safaid, maghz tukhm kunch, tukhm kunch

Parts Used (No. of Names) :	Trade Name
Not recorded (11) :	CHANOTHI SAPHED, CHANOTI PAN, CHHANNOCHI (GUMACHI) LAL, CHHANNOCHI (GUMACHI) SAFED, CHINNOTI RED, CHINNOTI WHITE, CHIRAMATHI (RED), CHIRAMATI LAL, CHIRAMATI SAFED, GUNJA, RATTI, KUNCH LAL
ROOTS (1) :	KUNNIVERU
SEED (2) :	CHIRMATI, KUNCH RED, KUNNIKKURU
SEEDS (13) :	CHIRMATI (RED), CHIRMATI KALI, CHIRMATI LAL, CHIRMATI SAFED, CHIRMATI, RATTI, GUNDAMANI, GUNDUMANI, GURIVINDALU, LAL RATI, RATI BADAMI, RATI GULABI, RATI KALI, RATI SAFED
SEEDS(R) (1) :	GURUGANGI
SEEDS(W) (1) :	GURUGANGI



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