

Important Medicinal Weed Plants of Gujarat—A Source of Raw Material for Pharmaceutical Industries

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There are about twenty well organised manufactures of herbal drugs and one hundred forty medium scale manufactures. About one thousand two hundred licensed small manufactures in India are on record. For preparation of various types of formulations tonnes of crude drugs are being utilized by these pharmacies. Gujarat has rich natural resources of medicinal plants. Proper collection of such weed plants can make a sizable contribution to the economy of the country. In the present paper twenty six such important medicinal weed plants have been highlighted with their latin name, family, local/sanskrit name, parts used, medicinal uses, frequency of occurrence and remarks of special interest. These weeds, if collected during their season can provided a good source of raw materials for pharmaceutical industries.

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