



Ethnomedicinal Uses of Plants by Major Ethnic Tribes in Terai Districts of Nepal

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Abstract

Indigenous communities and tribes of Nepal have been using medicinal plants for the treatment of several diseases or ailments since their origin. Various studies were conducted in the Terai region of Nepal regarding the pharmacological, ethnobotanical, and medicinal importance of plant species. This study aims to compile information on ethnomedicinal uses of plants by major ethnic groups in the Terai districts of Nepal. A total of 35 published documents based on ethnomedicinal uses of several medicinal plants in Terai of Nepal till 2020 A.D. were accessed for the study from online portals like Research Gate, Scopus, and Google Scholar. A total of 300 plant species from 98 families were documented which are used for the treatment of 120 diseases or ailments by the 8 ethnic groups of 6 terai districts. Leaf of plants is found to be used for the treatment of maximum number of diseases (72). Plants from families like Fabaceae, Malvaceae, Poaceae, etc. were used for the treatment of diseases like Diabetes, jaundice, syphilis, gastritis and other wounds, fractures along mental disorders. Indigenous knowledge and ethnomedicinal importance of different plant species must be explored, documented, and passed through different generations which could widen the scope of modern herbal medicine science.

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Introduction

The Globally, the use of chemicals for the control of pests has continued to increase (Sharma *et al.*, 2019; Al-Kawaz, 2019). These chemicals are also utilized in agriculture due to losses of around 30% initiated by insect attacks and other pest organisms (Das, 2013; Kumar *et al.*, 2016). 2, 2-dichlorovinyl dimethyl phosphate (DDVP) is a commonly used organophosphate pesticide (OP) in controlling insect pests in residential and agricultural areas; however, its toxicity has gone beyond the target organism, and this chemical is frequently detected in water bodies (Ezike, 2017).

The use of plants and their products as a major source of medicine started from the beginning of human civilization and is practicing in recent days too (Bhattarai *et al.*, 2006; Ekor, 2014). Although plants are used as medicine from the beginning of human civilization, the earliest evidence is found in Sanskrit texts Viz. *Rigveda* was written between 4500 and 1600 BC (Adhikari *et al.*, 2003). The term “ethnobotany” was first given by John Harshberger in 1896 which deals with the study of the relationship between indigenous society and their



plant environment (Schults, 1962). Ethno-medicine deals with the traditional medicine used by different aboriginal people living in a society (Quinlan, 2011). The World Health Organization (WHO) stated that about 25% of modern medicines are manufactured from traditionally used plant parts; and these plants lead to the discovery of 75% herbal drugs (Mian-Ying *et al.*, 2002). Approximately over 21000 plant species are used for medicinal purposes throughout the world (WHO, 2002).

More than 80% of people in developing countries cannot afford the basic medical facilities, drugs, vaccines, and even the richer population in both developed and developing countries depend upon complementary and alternatives medical treatment in the form of herbal medicine. So, its demand is rising day by day (Pandey *et al.*, 2013). Medicinal plants are mostly used due to their fewer side effects, and better patient compliance (Brown *et al.*, 2008). It is estimated that there is one physician for 30000 people but one healer for fewer than 100 people in Nepal (Gillam, 1989). There are 103 ethnic indigenous groups with more than 63 varieties of dialects in Nepal (CBS, 2003). There are about 8.4 million indigenous people of different groups with their own culture, religion, traditional medicine practices. Out of 6653 species of angiosperm plants, 1792 to 2331 were recorded as potential medicinal and aromatic plants in Nepal (Rokaya *et al.*, 2010). Out of 1950 species of medicinal plants (Ghimire, 2008), 143 species are categorized as commercial medicinal plants (Bhattarai & Ghimire, 2006) in Nepal. In Nepal, 679 species of medicinal plants are found in the lower sub-tropical region (1000-1500m) (Ghimire *et al.*, 2006).

Medicinal plants can be used for the treatment of several diseases (Cragg & Newman, 2003) as they are recognized as key sources of novel biomolecules (Heinrich *et al.*, 1998). In Nepal, modern medicines are not available for a large population (Bhattarai *et al.*, 2009) so, indigenous knowledge about the use of plants as medicine remains the foundation for primary health care in most of the rural areas. This leads to the strong respect of the local population in traditional medicines and traditional medicinal practitioners (Bhattarai *et al.*, 2006). It is estimated that only 15-20% of Nepal's population living in and around urban areas have access to modern healthcare facilities while the rest of them depends upon traditional medicines (Sharma *et al.*, 2004).

Ethnobotanical knowledge remains endemic to certain ethnic groups in Nepal due to the lack of interaction between the indigenous people and the scientific community (Bhattarai *et al.*, 2009). The younger generation has less interest in ethnobotanical knowledge comparing to the old generation that leads to danger to the continued use of local medicinal plants (Kargioglu *et al.*, 2008). Therefore, it is necessary to preserve the communication between indigenous peoples and local communities (IPLCs) and their environment to foster medicinal knowledge for coming generations (Ambu *et al.*, 2020).

Miya *et al.* (2020) has reviewed Ethnomedicinal uses of Plants by Major Ethnic groups in the Hilly districts of Nepal. However, various studies have been performed regarding Ethnomedicinal importance of different plant species in Terai districts. As Terai districts are habitats for many indigenous ethnic groups. This study aims to compile information on Ethnomedicinal uses of plants by major ethnic groups in the Terai districts of Nepal. It aims to provide a list of plants that have ethnomedicinal value in the Terai districts of Nepal.

Materials and Methods

This paper is entirely based on a desk review of several published sources including research notes and reports, academic papers, journals, and thesis from 1962 to 2020 A.D.

For the present review, 35 articles (mostly published) based on ethnomedicinal uses of several medicinal plants in the terai of Nepal were reviewed by using online search engines like Google Scholar, Scopus, and Research Gate. We found several papers related to ethnomedicinal uses of plants in the Terai region, and ethnomedicinal importance regarding these plants were overview analytically for rational discussion, conclusion, and recommendation. Different scholarly works, papers, reports, and other pieces of literature were studied collected, analyzed, reviewed, and arranged logically for the preparation of this manuscript. The whole process is detailly explained in Figure 1 with the help of the PRISMA flowchart.

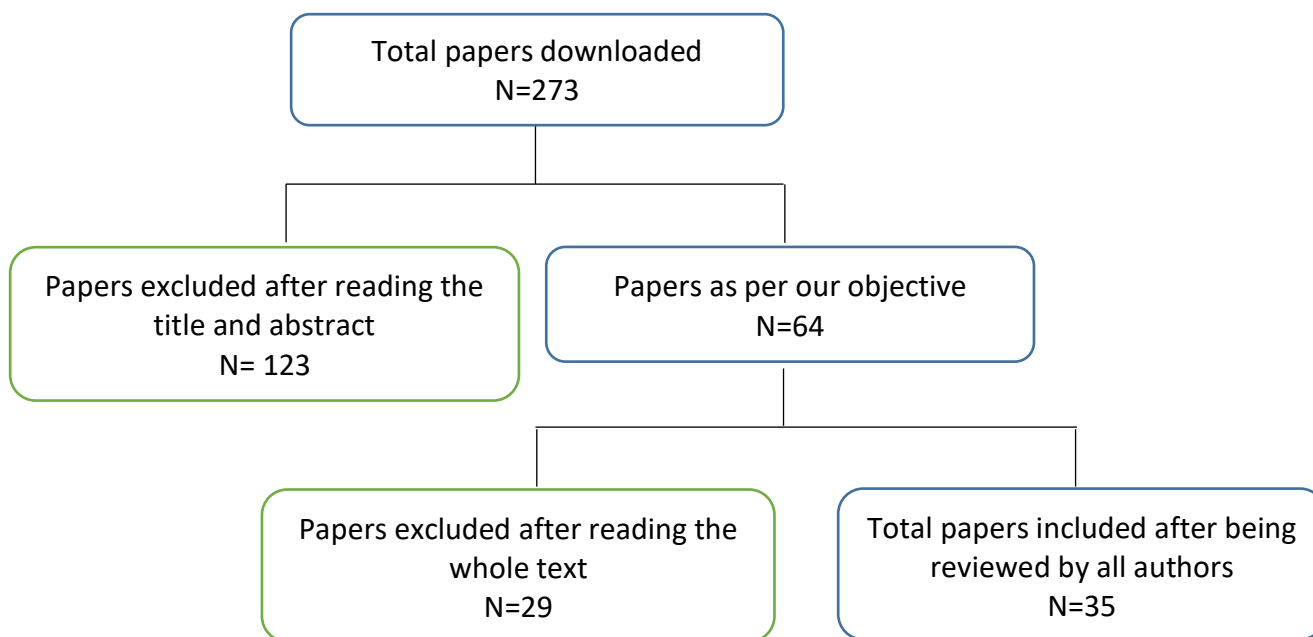


Figure 1: PRISMA flowchart for the studies related to Ethnomedicinal uses of Plants by Major Ethnic Tribes in Terai districts of Nepal

Results and Discussion

Ethnomedicinal knowledge of eight ethnic groups of six Terai districts is described in this paper. The ethnic groups, their inhabited districts from where researches were carried out, numbers of plants used for the treatment of various diseases are listed in Table 1:

Table 1. Number of plants to treat different diseases in various districts by different ethnic groups of Hilly region, Nepal

S.N.	Ethnic tribes	Districts (studied)	Symbols of districts (for later use)	Numbers of plants used for medicinal purpose	Number of diseases cured	Sources
1.	Bantar	Morang	M	83	58	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
2.	Chepang	Chitwan	C	124	50	(Rijal, 2011)

				34	25	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
3.	Darai	Chitwan	C	68	41	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
4.	Kisan	Jhapa	Jh	37	33	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
5.	Magar	Nawalparasi	N	3	3	(Nemkul & Shrestha, 2018)
6.	Meche	Jhapa	Jh	53	46	(Rai, 2004)
7.	Munda	Jhapa	Jh	73	55	(Ghimire, 2016)
8.	Tharu	Parsa	Pr	71	50	(Singh, 2020)
				47	87	(Singh, 2017)
		Rupandehi	R	26	43	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
		Chitwan	C	53	38	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
				45	39	(Meuller-Boeker, 1993)

The plant species with their uses are listed in Table 2. Abbreviation used on table 2: P.U. = Parts Used, S= Stem, B= Bark, F= Fruit, L= Leaf, R= Root, Fl= Flower, T= Twig, Rh= Rhizome, Tu= Tuber, W= Whole plant, Bu= Bulb, Sd= Seed, Lt= Latex, Bd= Buds, Sp=Sap).

Table 2. Plants with their uses

S.N.	Scientific names, Vernacular names and Family Names	P. U.	Diseases treated	Ethnic groups	Sources
1.	<i>Abelmoschus moschatus</i> Medik., Bankapas, Malvaceae	R	Cuts and wounds	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
2.	<i>Abrus precatorius</i> L., Rati gedi, Fabaceae	Sd	Dog bite	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Female sterility	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Fever, stomach disease, eye disease, asthma, and uteral problem	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
3.	<i>Abutilon indicum</i> (Link) Sweet, Baliyari, Malvaceae	L & S	Boils	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
4.	<i>Acacia catechu</i> (L.f.) Willd., Khayar, Fabaceae	B	Fracture and Cough	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Night blindness	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
5.	<i>Acacia nilotica</i> (L.) Delile, Babul, Fabaceae	B	Diarrhea and dysentery	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		L	Veneral diseases	Bantar	(Acharya & Gurung, 1991)

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					Pokhrel, 2006)
6.	<i>Achyranthes aspera</i> L., Datiwan, Amaranthaceae	R	Relief pain after child birth	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Stop bleeding, fever and headache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991; Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
				Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
		Pneumonia	Meche	(Rai, 2004)	
		Fl	Jaundice	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		S	Toothache	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
Cough	Chepang		(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)		
7.	<i>Acorus calamus</i> L., Bojho, Acoraceae	Rh	Stomach problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Cough	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
				Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
				Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Fever, tonsillitis and diarrhea	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Chronic cough and sore throat	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Cough, cold, and bronchial problem	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
8.	<i>Adhatoda vasica</i> Nees, Asuro, Acanthaceae	L	Cough and skin problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Cough, cold, fever and bronchitis	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991; Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			cough and catarrh	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Cough	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)

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9.	<i>Adiantum philippense</i> L., Walking Maidenhair, Pteridaceae	W	Night fever	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
10.	<i>Aegle marmelos</i> (L.) Correa, Bel, Rutaceae	F	Dysentery, piles, acute and chronic diarrhea	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017; Singh, 2020)
			Heat sickness and abdominal disorders	Tharu (C), Chepang	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993) (Rijal, 2011)
			Diabetes and constipation	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Diarrhoea and dysentery	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
		L	Diarrhea	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Diabetes	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		B	Intermittent fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
11.	<i>Aeschynanthus parviflorus</i> (D. Don) Spreng., Thirjo, Gesneriaceae	W	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
12.	<i>Aeuria lanata</i> Juss., Julaf, Amaranthaceae	L	Fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
13.	<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i> L., Seto gandhe, Asteraceae	L	Cuts	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
				Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020),
				Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
				Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014).	
Skin diseases	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)			
14.	<i>Albizia lebbeck</i> (L.) Benth., Kalo Siris,	Sd	Eyesight problem and baldness	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)

S.N.	Scientific names, Vernacular names and Family Names	P. U.	Diseases treated	Ethnic groups	Sources
	Fabaceae				
15.	Allium cepa L., Pyaj, Amaryllidaceae	Bu	Ear pain	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		W	Wasp bite	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
16.	Allium sativum L., Lasun, Amaryllidaceae	Bu	Fever, cold, flu and nerve problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Antiseptic	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Gastritis	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Tonsillitis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
17.	Aloe vera (L.) Burm. F., Ghiu kumari, Liliaceae	L	Burns	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
				Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
				Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Catarrh and cough	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Syphyllis, diabetes, irregular menstruation and high blood pressure	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
18.	Alstonia scholaris (L.) R. Br., Chattiwan, Apocynaceae	B	Malaria fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Leanness in man	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Appetizer and increase lactation	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		Lt	Menopause	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			High fever and backache	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Mumps	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
19.	Alternanthera sessilis (L.) R. Br. ex. DC, Bhiringi jhar, Amaranthaceae	W	Dysentery	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		L	Increase lactation	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		R	Stomachache	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
20.	Amaranthus viridis L., Latte sag, Amaranthaceae	L	Eyesight problem and baldness	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		R	Wound and Cold	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
21.	Amaranthus	R	Abortion	Bantar	(Acharya &

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	<i>spinousus</i> L., Kande lundo, Amaranthaceae	Sd	Labour pain	Darai	Pokhrel, 2006) (Poudel & Singh, 2016)
22.	<i>Amorphophallus campanulatus</i> (Roxb.) Blume ex Decne, Kaan, Araceae	Bu	Piles	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
23.	<i>Ananas comosus</i> (L.) Merr., Bhui Katahar, Bromeliaceae	F & R	Heat sickness	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
24.	<i>Andrographis paniculata</i> (Burm. f.) Nees, Kaalmegh, Acanthaceae	L	Snake bite and intestinal worm	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
25.	<i>Andropogon muricatus</i> Retz., Khas, Graminiai	R	Stomach problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
26.	<i>Anethum sowa</i> Roxb. ex Fleming, Swop, Apiaceae	Sd	Lactation	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
27.	<i>Anisomeles indica</i> (L.) Kuntze, Rato Charpate, Lamiaceae	L	Stomachache	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
28.	<i>Annona squamosa</i> L., Sitaphal, Annonaceae	B	Fever Headache and fever	Meche Munda	(Rai, 2004) (Ghimire, 2016)
29.	<i>Anthocephalus cadamba</i> (Roxb.) Miq., Kadam, Rubiaceae	B L	Eye inflammation Stomachache	Munda Munda	(Ghimire, 2016) (Ghimire, 2016)
30.	<i>Antidesma acidum</i> Retz., Archal, Phyllanthaceae	B	Dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
31.	<i>Apium graveolens</i> L., Juwano, Apiaceae	Sd	Fever Lactation enhancer and menstrual disorders	Kisan Darai	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019) (Poudel & Singh, 2016)
32.	<i>Areca catechu</i> L., Supari, Arecaceae	F	Scars	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
33.	<i>Argemone Mexicana</i> L., Thakal,	F& Lt	Conjunctivitis and scabies	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)

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	Papaveraceae				
34.	<i>Arisaema consanguineum</i> (L.) Schott, Kal, Araceae	Tu	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
35.	<i>Aristolochia indica</i> L., Isharmule, Aristolochiaceae	L	Scorpion bite	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
36.	<i>Artemisia indica</i> Willd., Titepati, Asteraceae	L	Round worms	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Cuts and wounds	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		R	Dysentery, wounds and abdominal pain	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		Fl	Appetizer, pregnancy disease and lactation	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
37.	<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i> Lam., Katahar, Moraceae	Lt	Mumps	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
38.	<i>Artocarpus lakoocha</i> Roxb., Badahar, Moraceae	B	Gastritis	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
39.	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd., Kurilo, Asparagaceae	Tu	Tonic	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Urinary problems, increase lactation and boost immunity	Chepang Tharu(C)	(Rijal, 2011) (Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
40.	<i>Azadirachta indica</i> A. Juss., Neem, Meliaceae	L	Pox, measles and allergy	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Enzema, scabies and blood purifier	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Wounds	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
				Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Urinary tract problem, fever and skin problems	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Anemia, fever, scabies, diabetes, skin allergy and irritation	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
Suger	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)			
				Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)

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		B	Antihelmintic and cough	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
		Fl	Scabies and intestinal worms	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
41.	<i>Basella alba</i> L., Poi Saag, Basellaceae	T	Insomnia	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
42.	<i>Barleria cristata</i> L., Bhedekuro, Acanthaceae	R	Anaemia	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
43.	<i>Bauhinia variegata</i> (L.) Benth. Koiralo, Fabaceae	B	Dysentery	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
44.	<i>Benincasa hispida</i> (Thunb.) Cogn., Kuvindo, Cucurbitaceae	F	Heat sickness	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
45.	<i>Bergenia ciliata</i> (Haw.) Sternb., Pakhanbed, Saxifragaceae	Rh	Body pain, diarrhoea, sprain and abdominal spasm	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
46.	<i>Betula alnoides</i> Buch-Ham. ex. D. Don, Saur, Betulaceae	B	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
47.	<i>Biophytum sensitivum</i> (L.) Dc., Lazaiya jhyang, Oxalidaceae	W	Fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
48.	<i>Bixa orellana</i>	F	Fracture	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
49.	<i>Blumea lacera</i> (Burm. f.) DC., Kukure, Asteraceae	R	Cutaneous infection	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		S	Gastric and ulcer	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		L	Cuts	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
50.	<i>Bombax ceiba</i> L., Simal, Malvaceae	B	Diarrhea and dysentery	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Fracture and dysentery	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		Urinary disorder, intestine bleeding, and excessive vaginal bleeding	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)	
		B	Measles	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)

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		Fl	Boils	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		R	Dysentery and measles	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Urinary problems and menstrual disorders	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		Lt	Worms and bleeding	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
51.	<i>Bonnaya ciliata</i> Link & Otto., Oonmudia, Linderniaceae	W	Cuts and wounds	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
52.	<i>Brassica campestris</i> L., Tori, Brassicaceae	Sd	Indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
53.	<i>Breca arvenis</i> (L.) Less, Gainda Kande, Asteraceae	Fl & R	Scabies	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
54.	<i>Bridelia retusa</i> (L.) A. Juss, Gayo, Phyllanthaceae	B	Fracture	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
55.	<i>Bryophyllum pinnatum</i> (Lam.) Oken, Ajambari, Crassulaceae	L	Gall bladder stone	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
56.	<i>Caesalpinia bonduc</i> (L.) Roxb., Kande Jhang, Fabaceae	Sd	Malaria fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Scalp	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		L	Fever and intestinal worms	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
57.	<i>Caesulia axillaris</i> Roxb., Thuk Jhar, Asteraceae	W	Stop bleeding	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
58.	<i>Callicarpa macrophylla</i> Vahl, Gunelo, Lamiaceae	L	Indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Earache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		R	Fever and gastric	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011; Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
				Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
			Bronchitis	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
59.	<i>Calotropis gigantea</i> (L.) W.T. Aiton,	Lt	Sprain, fever, rheumatism and joint pain		(Rai, 2004)

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	Aank, Apocynaceae		Malaria and asthma	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Wounds and fungal infections	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Sprain and fracture	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Rheumatism, joint pain and sprain	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		L	Earache	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
60.	<i>Camellia sinensis</i> (L.) Kuntze, Chiya, Theaceae	Fl	High blood pressure	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
61.	<i>Cannabis sativa</i> L., Gaanja, Cannabaceae	L	Cold	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
				Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		Indigestion	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)	
		Piles	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)	
		Sd	Abdominal disorders	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
62.	<i>Capsicum annum</i> L., Dalle Khursani, Solanaceae	Sd	Fever and indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		R	Typhoid	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
63.	<i>Carica papaya</i> L., Mewa, Caricaceae	Lt	Ring worms	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Ringworms and scabies	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		F	Liver swelling	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
64.	<i>Caryopteris bicolor</i> (Roxb. ex Hardw), Balamohani, Lamiaceae	L	Cold	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		B	Scabies and abdominal pain	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
65.	<i>Cassia fistula</i> L., Raj brikshaya, Fabaceae	F	Diarrhea, vomiting, appetite and constipation	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011; Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
			Whopping cough	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Headache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		Sd	Throat problems	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
66.	<i>Cassia occidentalis</i> (L.) Link, Thulo Tapre, Fabaceae	Sd & Fl	Skin infections and inflammation	Meche	(Rai, 2004)

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		R	Ring worms	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		L	Itch and ring worms	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
67.	<i>Cassia tora</i> L., Sano Tapre, Fabaceae	L& Sd	Itch and ring worms	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
68.	<i>Catharanthus roseus</i> (L.) G. Don, Barhamase ful, Apocynaceae	Fl	Diabetes	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
69.	<i>Centella asiatica</i> (L.) Urb., Ghodtapre, Apiaceae	W	Heat sickness	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Urine problems	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		L	Heat sickness and asthma	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Urinary problem and acidity	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Heartburn	Tharu(C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Diarrhea, tonic, headache and appetizer	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Jaundice	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Indigestion, cuts, wounds, skin allergy and irritation	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
Tonic, enhance memory, nerve trouble, and skin disease	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)			
Fever	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)			
70.	<i>Cestrum diurnum</i> L., Jasmine, Solanaceae	L	Weeping illness in child	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
71.	<i>Cheilanthes dalhousiae</i> (Hook.), Ranisinka, Cheilanthoidae	L	Abdominal spasm and wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
72.	<i>Chenopodium album</i> L., Bethe, Chenopodiaceae	W	Joint pains and stomach disorders	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991; Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Constipation, back and body pain	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		T	Constipation	Bantar	(Acharya &

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					Pokhrel, 2006)
73.	<i>Chenopodium murale</i> L., Pahadia Bethe, Chenopodiaceae	W	Indigestion and gastritis	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
74.	<i>Chlorophytum arundinaceum</i> Baker, Seto musli, Asparagaceae	R	Impotency	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
75.	<i>Chlorophytum nepalense</i> (Lindl.) Baker, Danti Saag, Asparagaceae	Tu	Hydroccle	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
76.	<i>Cinnamomum tamala</i> (Buch-Ham) T. Nees & Eberm., Dalchini, Lauraceae	B	Cough	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Indigestion and headache	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		L	Throat allergy	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
77.	<i>Cipadessa baccifera</i> (Roth) Miq., Paireti, Meliaceae	L	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
78.	<i>Cissus quadrangularis</i> L., Had jor, Vitaceae	S	Fracture	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
79.	<i>Citrus limon</i> (L.) Osbek, Kagati, Rutaceae	F	Cholera	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Acidity, vomiting and indigestion	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
80.	<i>Citrus medica</i> L., Bimiro, Rutaceae	R	Dysentery	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Gastric	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
81.	<i>Cissampelos pareira</i> L., Batul pate, Menispermaceae	S	Abdominal disorders	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011; Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
			Worms and cuts	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		W	Fever and induce abortion	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
82.	<i>Cleistocalyx operculatus</i> (Roxb.) Merr. & L.M., Kyamuno, Myrtaceae	L	Psynocytis and dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)

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83.	<i>Cleome viscosa</i> L., Ban Methi, Capparaceae	W	Cut and wounds	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
84.	<i>Clerodendrum indicum</i> (L.) Gaertn., Rudilo, Verbenaceae	S	Fever	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
85.	<i>Clerodendrum viscosum</i> Vent., Bhat, Lamiaceae	L	High blood pressure and asthma	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Antidote of poison	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991; Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			intestinal worms	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
86.	<i>Coccinia grandis</i> (L.) Voigt., kundaru, Cucurbitaceae	L	Jaundice	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
87.	<i>Cochlianthus gracilis</i> Benth., Boksi kanda, Fabaceae	B	Boils and pimples	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
88.	<i>Colebrookea oppositifolia</i> Sm., Dhursuli, Lamiaceae	L	Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Wounds	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Earache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		R	Typhoid, headache, pneumonia, psynocytis and indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
89.	<i>Colocasia esculenta</i> (L.) Schott, Karkalo, Araceae	Lt	Cuts	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
				Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		Tu	Lactation	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
90.	<i>Combretum roxburghii</i> Spreng., (Dars) Combretaceae	B	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
91.	<i>Coriaria nepalensis</i> Wall., Machhaino, Coriariaceae	R	Diarrhoea and dysentery	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
92.	<i>Costus speciosus</i>	Rh	Fever	Tharu	(Singh, 2020)

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	(Koeing) Sm., Betlauri, Costaceae			(Pr)	
			Burns	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		S	Wounds	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Joint pain	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
93.	<i>Crateva unilocularis</i> Buch. –Ham., Silpigaan, Capparaceae	L	Urinary infection	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		B	Liver problem	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
94.	<i>Crinum amoenum</i> Ker Gawl. ex Roxb., Himalayan <i>Crinum</i> Lily, Amaryllidaceae	Bu	Swollen testes	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
95.	<i>Crinum asiaticum</i> L., Hade phool, Amaryllidaceae	Fl	Nasal bleeding and diabetes	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		Bu	Wounds and burns	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
96.	<i>Crotalaria albida</i> Roth., Bhuling, Fabaceae	S	Indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
97.	<i>Crotalaria javanica</i> Jungh., Runche, Fabaceae	R	Body swelling	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		L	Eczema	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
98.	<i>Croton bonplandianum</i> Baill., Mirchaiya Jhar, Euphorbiaceae	L &R	Ulcer and cuts	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
99.	<i>Cucumis sativus</i> L., Kankro, Cucurbitaceae	Sd	Indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Heartburn	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
				Tharu(C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
100.	<i>Cucumis melo</i> L. Kharbujo, Cucurbitaceae	R	Dysentery	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
101.	<i>Cucurbita maxima</i> Duchesne, Pharsi, Cucurbitaceae)	Sd	Indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		F	Jaundice	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
102.	<i>Curcuma longa</i> L. Besar, Zingiberaceae	Rh	Allergy and bone fracture	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
103.	<i>Curcuma</i>	Rh	Cough	Tharu	(Singh, 2020)

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	<i>angustifolia</i> Roxb., Kalo haledo, Zingiberaceae		Cuts and wounds	(Pr) Meche	(Rai, 2004)
104.	<i>Curcuma caesia</i> Roxb., Haledo, Zingiberaceae	Rh	Appetizer	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
105.	<i>Cuscuta reflexa</i> Roxb., Aakash beli, Convolvulaceae	W	Jaundice	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
				Tharu(C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
				Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
				Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
				Meche	(Rai, 2004)
				Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Tonsillitis and swelling	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
106.	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> (L.) Pers., Dubo, Poaceae	W	Indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Pneumonia and fever	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		R	Burns, cuts and wounds	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Kidney problems	Chepang	(Sharma et al., 2014)
		L	Hair struck on neck	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Cuts, wounds, scabies, and haematuria	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
107.	<i>Cyperus compressus</i> L., Mothe, Cyperaceae	W	Cuts and scabies	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
108.	<i>Cyperus rotundus</i> L., Mothe, Cyperaceae	R	Stomachache	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Intestinal worms	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Obesity and rheumatism	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
109.	<i>Dalbergia sissoo</i> Roxb., Sissoo, Fabaceae	L	Scabies and diarrhea	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		&B L	Anemia and gonorrhoea	Munda	(Ghimire,

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					2016)
110.	<i>Datura stramonium</i> L., Dhaturu, Solanaceae	Sd	Scabies	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Bronchitis	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Burns	Tharu(C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
111.	<i>Dendrocalamus hamiltonii</i> Gambie, Choya Bans, Poaceae	Bd	Purgative	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
112.	<i>Dendrocalamus strictus</i> (Roxb.) Nees, Kaban Bans, Poaceae	Sp	Enuresis	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
113.	<i>Desmodium oojeinense</i> (Roxb.) H. Ohashi, Sandan, Fabaceae	S	Cuts and wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
114.	<i>Desmotrichum plicatile</i> Lindl., Jiwanti, Orchidaceae	Bu	Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
115.	<i>Dillenia pentagyna</i> Roxb., Tantari, Dilleniaceae	B	Diarrhea and to relief pain after child birth	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Tick bite	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
116.	<i>Dioscorea alata</i> L., Pangnang, Dioscoreaceae	Tu	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
117.	<i>Dioscorea bulbifera</i> L., Githa, Dioscoreaceae	Tu	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Appetizer and high blood pressure	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
118.	<i>Dioscorea deltoidea</i> Wall. ex Griseb., Bhyakur, Dioscoreaceae	Tu	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		F	Stomach pain	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
119.	<i>Dioscorea prazeri</i> Prain & Burkill, Jyar, Dioscoreaceae	Tu	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
120.	<i>Diplocyclos palmatus</i> (L.) C.	F	Tonic	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)

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	Jefferey, Saawaa, Cucurbitaceae				
121.	<i>Diploknema butyracea</i> (Roxb.) H.J. Lam, Chiuri, Sapotaceae	Sd	Herpes zoster	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
122.	<i>Dolichos lablab</i> (L.) Sweet, Simi, Fabaceae	L	Dandruff	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
123.	<i>Drymaria cordata</i> (L.) Willd. ex Schult., Abhijalo, Caryophyllaceae	L	Cutaneous infections	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
124.	<i>Drymeria cordata</i> <i>subsp. Diandra</i> (Sw.) J.A. Duke., Abhijalo, Caryophyllaceae	L	Wormicide and psynocytis	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Headache and sinusitis	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Sinusitis, cuts and wounds	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		W	Gastritis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
125.	<i>Dryoathyrium boryanum</i> (Willd.) Ching, Kali neuro, Pteridaceae	Rh	Abdominal spasm	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		R	Diarrhoea and dysentery	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
126.	<i>Duchesnea indica</i> (Andrews) Teschem., Vui kafal, Rosaceae	L	Heat sickness, marasmus, kwashiorkor and fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		W	Urinary disorders and fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
127.	<i>Eclipta prostrata</i> (L.) L., Jire jhaar, Asteraceae	L	Fever and indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Scabies and cuts	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Cuts and wounds	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		W	Eye problem and chapped skin between toe	Tharu(C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
128.	<i>Elephantopus scaber</i> L., Sahasrabuti, Asteraceae	L	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			muscular pain	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
129.	<i>Ensete glaucum</i> (Roxb.) Cheesman, Ban kera, Musaceae	Tu	Heat sickness and urine infections	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
130.	<i>Entada</i>	F	Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)

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	<i>phaseoloides</i> (L.) Merr., Pangra, Fabaceae	W	Poison and worms	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
131.	<i>Equisetum debile</i> Roxb. ex Vaucher, Sime Jhar, Equisetaceae	W	Fracture	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		B	Gastric, cuts and wounds	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
132.	<i>Erythrina stricta</i> Roxb., Phaledo, Fabaceae	B	Typhoid, heat sickness, abdominal disorder, pneumonia and fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
133.	<i>Eupatorium adenophorum</i> Spreng., Banmara, Asteraceae	L	Antiseptic, cut and wound	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		R	Cuts and wounds	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
134.	<i>Euphorbia hirta</i> L., Dudhe jhaar, Euphorbiaceae	Lt	Wound, Cold and Cough	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Pimples and wounds	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		W	Piles	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Rheumatism	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
R	Lactation	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)		
135.	<i>Euphorbia royleana</i> Boiss., Siudi, Euphorbiaceae	Lt	Swelling	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Leprosy, whooping cough, irritation and skin allergy	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		L	Dysentery	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
136.	<i>Ficus benghalensis</i> L. Bar, Moraceae	L	Dysentery and skin problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Gastritis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		R	Female sterility	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Diarrhoea	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		Lt	Heel crack, cataract and veneral diseases	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Rheumatism and carbuncles	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
B	Diarrhoea, dysentery, and diabetes	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)		
137.	<i>Ficus hispida</i> L.,	L	Ear ache and hearing weakness	Tharu (C)	(Dangol &

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	Thotne, Moraceae				Gurung, 1991; Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
138.	<i>Ficus religiosa</i> L., Pipal, Moraceae	B	Irregular menstruation and ear ache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		L	Ear ache	Tharu(C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Jaundice	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		F	Constipation	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
139.	<i>Ficus semicordata</i> Buch-Ham. ex Sm. Khanyu, Moraceae	Sp	Heat sickness	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		L	Earache	Tharu(C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
		R	Headache and fever	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
		S	Fever and fracture	Chepang	(Sharma et al., 2014)
140.	<i>Fimbristylis aestivalis</i> (Retz.) Vahl, Summer fimbry, Cyperaceae	Tu	Appetizer	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
141.	<i>Fogopyrum esculentum</i> Moench, Phapar, Polygonaceae	Sd	Typhoid	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
142.	<i>Fomitopsis pinicola</i> (Sw.) P. Karst., Jali Chyau, Fomitopsidaceae	W	Snake bite	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
143.	<i>Gardenia Jasminoides</i> J. Ellis, Indrakamal, Rubiaceae	F	Blood purifier	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		Sd	Rheumatoid arthritis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
144.	<i>Gaultheria fragrantissima</i> Wall., Dhasingre, Ericaceae	L	Massage to get relief from par of head, hands and legs	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
145.	<i>Girardinia diversifolia</i> (Link) Friis, Chalne sisno, Urticaceae	R	Snake bite and tonic	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		S	Pain	Chepang	(Sharma et al., 2014)
146.	<i>Grewia pumile</i> Ham.	W	Dysentery	Tharu (C)	(Dangol &

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	-Ham ex D. Don, Phusre, Tiliaceae				Gurung, 1991)
147.	<i>Hedyotis corymbosa</i> L., Piringo Jhar, Rubiaceae	W	Acidity	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
148.	<i>Helicteres isora</i> L., Kapaase, Malvaceae	R	Worm infection	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
149.	<i>Heliotropium indicum</i> L., Hattisude, Boraginaceae	L	Cuts and tongue infections	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
150.	<i>Hibiscus rosasinensis</i> L., Ghanti phool, Malvaceae	Fl	High blood pressure	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Liver disorders and high blood pressure	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		B	Abortion	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		L& Fl	Headache	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
151.	<i>Hibiscus sabdariffa</i> L., Belchandani, Malvaceae	L	Foot wounds caused by muddy water during rainy season	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
152.	<i>Holarrhena pubescens</i> Wall. ex G. Don, Khirro, Apocynaceae	L	Dysentery	Chepong	(Rijal, 2011)
			Stomachache and rheumatism	Tharu(C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
		B	Heat sickness	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Dysentery, febrifuge, diarrhoea, worms, and seed-astringent	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
153.	<i>Hydrangea anomala</i> D. Don, Bahuni kath, Hydrangeaceae	W	Kidney stone	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		R	Malaria, kidney and bladder stone	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		B	Wounds or burns	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
154.	<i>Hydrocotyle sibthorpioides</i> Lam., Tarpurin, Araliaceae	W	Urinary disorders and fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		L	Asthma	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
155.	<i>Hygrophila auriculata</i>	R	Eczema	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)

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	Schumach., Tal Makhan, Acanthaceae				
156.	<i>Hypericum cordifolium</i> Choisy, Areli, Hypericaceae	B	Rheumatism	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
157.	<i>Imperata cylindrica</i> (L.) P. Beauv., Siru, Poaceae	R	Cholera	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Wounds	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Skin softener	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
158.	<i>Inula cappa</i> (Buch-Ham. ex D. Don) DC, Gaitihare, Asteraceae	R	Headache, fever, disorder arise due to meat	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
159.	<i>Ipomoea aquatica</i> Forssk., Karmi Sag, Convolvulaceae	S	Lactation	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
160.	<i>Ipomoea batatas</i> (L.) Lam., Sakharkhand, Convolvulaceae	T	Lactation	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
161.	<i>Jatropha curcas</i> L., Sajjiwan), Euphorbiaceae	Sp	Burn	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		S	Teeth infections	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Teeth infections	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Constipation	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Bleeding gums, gingivitis and bad breath	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
		Lt	Toothache and swelling testes	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Burns, gum infections, chapped skin and wounds	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991; Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
Sd	Burn injury and wounds	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)		
162.	<i>Juglans regia</i> L., Okhar, Juglandaceae	F	Typhoid	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
163.	<i>Lagerstroemia parviflora</i> L., Bot	L	Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		L	Pneumonia and typhoid	Magar	(Nemkul &

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	Dhaiyaro, Lythraceae	&B			Shrestha, 2018)
164.	<i>Lantana camara</i> L., Banmara, Verbenaceae	W	Tetanus	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		L	Fever	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
165.	<i>Lawsonia inermis</i> L., Mehandi, Lythraceae	L	Fungal infection	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Mud infection and heel cracks	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Wounds	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Mouth ulcer	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
166.	<i>Leucas aspera</i> (Willd.) Link, Gummaa, Lamiaceae	L &R	Ringworms	Tharu (c)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
167.	<i>Leucas cephalotes</i> (Roth) Spreng., Dronpuspi, Lamiaceae	Fl	Sinusitis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Sinusitis	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Ringworms	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
			Cough and cold	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		T	Malarial fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
168.	<i>Leucas indica</i> (L.) Vatke, Dulphe Jhar, Lamiaceae	T	Body pain	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
169.	<i>Lindera neesiana</i> (Wall. ex Nees) Kurz, Siltimur, Lauraceae	F	Cholera, abdominal pain, diarrhea, and vomiting	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
170.	<i>Luffa cylindrica</i> M. Roem., Gheraula, Cucurbitaceae	Sd	Chicken pox	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
171.	<i>Luffa echinata</i> Roxb., Jungali Gheraula, Cucurbitaceae	Sd	Malaria, headache and sinusitis	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
172.	<i>Lygodium japonicum</i> (Thunb.)	L	Ringworms	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)

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	Sw., Janai Lahara, Lygodiaceae		Eczema, ringworm and wounds	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		Sd	Kidney and urinary problems	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		T	Diuretic	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
173.	<i>Madhuca indica</i> J.F. Gmel., Mahuwa, Sapotaceae	Fl	Increase milk in lactating mothers	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		Sd	Diabetes, skin disease, rheumatism, headache, arthritis, insulin production and control blood glucose level	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		B	Bleeding and spongy gum, pharyngitis, and chronic tonsillitis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
174.	<i>Mallotus philippensis</i> (Lam.) Muell. Arg., Sindhure, Euphorbiaceae	S	Anti-helminthic	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Diarrhea and dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Gastritis	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		L	Dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		F	Abdominal spasm	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		B	Diarrhoea, dysentery, and bronchitis	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
		R & F	Flatulence, cough, ulcers, wounds, and constipation (Singh, 2017).	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
175.	<i>Mangifera indica</i> L., Aanp, Anacardiaceae	L	Burns	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Diabetes	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		B	Diarrhea	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Dysentery	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Dysentery and diarrhea	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		F	Stomachache	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Typhoid	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
Sd	Hairfall	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)		
176.	<i>Matricaria chamomilla</i> L.,	Fl	Stomach problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)

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	Daminiful, Asteraceae		Sore stomach, laxative, and irritable bowel syndrome	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
177.	<i>Matteuccia struthiopteris</i> (L.) Tod., Neuro, Onocleaceae	L	Blood in stool and diarrhoea	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
178.	<i>Melia azedarach</i> L., Bakaino, Meliaceae	F	Anthelmintic, vomiting, urinary discharge, and blood impurities	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
		L	Pyrexia, piles, gonorrhoea, and gingivitis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
179.	<i>Melothria heterophylla</i> (Lour.) Cogn., Ban Kakro, Cucurbitaceae	F	Hydrocele	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
180.	<i>Mentha spicata</i> L., Pudina, Lamiaceae	L	Vomiting	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Cough	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Stomachache and gastritis	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
181.	<i>Michelia champaca</i> L., Champ, Magnoliaceae	Fl	Eye problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Fever, nausea, and dyspepsia	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		B	Fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
182.	<i>Mikania micrantha</i> Kunth, Lahare Banmara, Asteraceae	L	Cuts and wounds	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
183.	<i>Mimosa pudica</i> L., Lajjawati, Fabaceae	L	Hairfall and dandruff	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Gland tumor, sinus disorderneurological problems, diarrhoea, and dysentery	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
			indigestion and piles	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		R	Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Scabies	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Boils and diarrhoea	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Gastritis	Darai	(Poudel &

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					Singh, 2016)
			Diabetes and diarrhea	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Cold, cough, and remove stone from different parts of body	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
184.	<i>Mimosa rubicaulis</i> Lam., Bokshi Ghas, Fabaceae	R	Abdominal spasm, sprain and wound	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
185.	<i>Mirabilis jalapa</i> L., Malatiphool, Nyctaginaceae	Fl	Nose bleeding	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
186.	<i>Momordica charantia</i> L., Tite karela, Cucurbitaceae	F	Diabetes	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Piles	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			High blood pressure	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
187.	<i>Moringa oleifera</i> Lam., Shitalchini, Moringaceae	W	Dental care	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			B	Leprosy	Tharu (Pr)
		Rheumatism		Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		Fl		High blood pressure	Meche
			Tonic	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
188.	<i>Mucuna monosperma</i> Wall., Baldhangro, Fabaceae	F	Tonic	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
189.	<i>Murraya koenigii</i> (L.) Spreng., Mitho Neem, Rutaceae	L	Diabetes	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Hairfall and dandruff	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Dysentery and diarrhoea	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
			Snake bite, liver, and dysentery	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		R	Stomach problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
190.	<i>Musa balbisiana</i> Colla, Athiya kera,	R & F	Cholera	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)

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	Musaceae				
191.	<i>Musa paradisiaca</i> L., kera, Musaceae	Fl	Chest pain	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
192.	<i>Mussaenda macrophylla</i> Wall., Dhobini, Rubiaceae	L	Indigestion, cold and fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		R	Typhoid and fever	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
193.	<i>Myrica esculenta</i> Buch-Ham. ex D. Don, Kafal, Myricaceae	B	Malnourishment	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		F	Abdominal pain	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
194.	<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i> (L.) K. Presl, Pani amala, Nephrolepidaceae	Tu	Heat sickness	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Stomach ulcer, cough, and intestinal disorders	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		L	Bleeding	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
195.	<i>Nicotiana tobacum</i> L., Tambakhu, Solanaceae	L	Toothache	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Wormicide	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Remove lice	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Ear problem	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
196.	<i>Nyctanthes arbor-tristis</i> L. Parijat, Oleaceae	L	Heat sickness	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Digestive, laxative, tonic, diuretic, diaphoretic, antidote to reptile venoms	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		R	Spleen enlargement	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		S & B	Expectorant, malaria, and rheumatic joint pain	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
197.	<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L., Babari, Lamiaceae	L	Fever	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Irritation and skin allergy	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
198.	<i>Ocimum gratissimum</i> L., Bantulsi, Lamiaceae	L	Chest pain and respiratory problem	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
199.	<i>Ocimum sanctum</i> L., Tulasi, Lamiaceae	L	Cough, ring worm infection, bronchial asthma and headache	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Cough and cold	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Skin allergy and irritation	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Cough and catarrh	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)

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			Fever, cough and tonsilitis	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Tonsillitis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Cough, cold, dermatitis and sore throat	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Itching, snake bite, rashes in skin, reduce acne, pimples and scars, stress reduce	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		R& Fl	Sexual disorders	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		Sd	Premature ejaculation, increase semen quantity, reduce blood sugar and blood cholesterol	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		Fl	Cough and colds	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
200.	<i>Odina wodier</i> Roxb., Hallunde, Anacardiaceae	B	Nose bleeding	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
201.	<i>Opuntia stricta</i> (Haw.) Haw., Paate Siudi, Cactaceae	W	Burns	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		R	Obesity and diabetes	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
202.	<i>Oroxylum indicum</i> (L.) Benth. ex Kurz, Tatelo, Bignoniaceae	Sd	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Pneumonia	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
				Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Typhoid	Magar	(Nemkul & Shrestha, 2018)
		B	Wounds	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
				Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Jaundice and chronic wounds	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Infective wounds	Magar	(Nemkul & Shrestha, 2018)
			Tumors, cut injury, and wounds	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		L	Joint pain	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)

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		R & B	Mouth ulcer, appetite, intestinal problems, wounds and tonic	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
203.	<i>Osbeckia stellata</i> Buch-Ham. ex K. Gawle, Angeri, Melastomataceae	R	Abdominal disorders	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
204.	<i>Oxalis corniculata</i> L., Chariamilo, Oxalidaceae	L	Stomachache	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Earache	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Acidity	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Fever, influenza, diarrhoea, snake bite, hook worms, anthelmintic, and urinary tract infection	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		W	Fever, bruises and nose bleeding	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991; Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Fever, dysentery, and diarrhoea	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
205.	<i>Paederia foetida</i> L., Bire Lahara, Rubiaceae	S	Teeth infection	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		R	Snake bite	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
206.	<i>Pennisetum polystachion</i> (L.) Schantz., Mission Grass, Poaceae	R	Abdominal pain	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
207.	<i>Persicaria barbata</i> (L.) H. Hara, Bish, Polygonaceae	L	Ring worms	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		W	Swollen body	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
208.	<i>Phoenix humilis</i> Royle. ex Becc., Thakal, Arecaceae	Sd	Itch	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
		Sp	Stomachache and diarrhoea	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
209.	<i>Phyla nodiflora</i> (L.) Greene, Jal pippali, Verbenaceae	W	Ulcers and stomachache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
210.	<i>Phyllanthus amarus</i> Schumach. & Thonn.,	L	Diabetes	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		R	Menorrhagia	Tharu	(Singh, 2017)

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	Bhuinamala, Phyllanthaceae			(Pr)	
		W	Wounds, ulcers, and intermittent fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
211.	<i>Phyllanthus emblica</i> L., Amla, Phyllanthaceae		Anemia	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		F	Cold	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Scalp, dysentery and diarrhea	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Sore throat inflammation	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		Fl	Mental disorders and blood purifier	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		L	Burns	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Scalp	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		F& Sd	Gastritis, diuretic, cooling, and laxative source of vitamin C	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
212.	<i>Physalis minima</i> L., Isamgoli, Solanaceae	L	Menstruation disorders and eye infection	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
213.	<i>Physalis peruviana</i> L., Rasbhari, Solanaceae	R	Jaundice	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Piles	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
214.	<i>Pilea symmeria</i> Wedd., Aailanata, Urticaceae	B	Diarrhea	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		Fl	Wounds	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014))
215.	<i>Piper longum</i> L., Pipala, Piperaceae		Dry cough	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		L	Mouth refreshment, indigestion, easing urination, cough, and cold	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
			Asthma, cough and chest pain	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Tuberculosis	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
		F	Cough and digestion	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
			Indigestion	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		R	Pneumonia	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
216.	<i>Piper nigrum</i> L., Marich, Piperaceae	Sd	Cough	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)

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217.	<i>Pistia stratiotes</i> L., Kumbhika, Araceae	W	Swelling	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
218.	<i>Plumeria alba</i> L., Galaichi, Apocynaceae	Fl	Fever	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
219.	<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i> L., Chitu, Plumbaginaceae	B	Baldness	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Baldness	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
		R	Digestion, appetite, ulcer, scabie, and several skin diseases	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
220.	<i>Pogostemon benghalensis</i> (Burm.f.) Kuntz, Rudilo, Lamiaceae	L	Cold, indigestion, cough, kwashiorkor and marasmus	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Sinusitis and typhoid	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		L & R	Headache and typhoid	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		W	Fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
221.	<i>Pouzolzia zeylanica</i> (L.) Benn., Ban Paate, Urticaceae	W	Ring worms and wounds of fingers and toes	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
222.	<i>Premna barbata</i> Wall. ex Schauer, Gineri, Lamiaceae	L	Urine infection and heat sickness	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		B	Fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
223.	<i>Primula umbellate</i> (Lour.) Merr., Umbelled Rock Jasmine, Primulaceae	L & Fl	Insomnia and diarrhea	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
224.	<i>Psidium guajava</i> L., Amba, Myrtaceae	L	Dysentery and diarrhea	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Dysentery and diarrhea	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Urinary problems and mental disorders	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Fever	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Diarrhoea	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		Sd	Cough	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
B	Diarrhoea and dysentery	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> ,		

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					2014)
			Diarrhea	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Diarrhea	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
		Fl	Headache	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		F	Diarrhea and dysentery	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
225.	<i>Pueraria phaseoloides</i> (Roxb.) Benth., Birali Lahara, Fabaceae	Sp	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
226.	<i>Punica granatum</i> L., Anar, Punicaceae	F	Eye problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		Sd & Fl	Piles and tonic	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
227.	<i>Rauvolfia serpentina</i> (L.) Benth. ex Kurz, Sarpagandha, Apocynaceae		High blood pressure	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Malaria	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Fever and snake bite	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		R	Stomach problem and fever	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Cholera, diarrhoea, dysentery, uterine contraction during childbirth, snake bite, and malarial fever	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2017)
			Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Pneumonia	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		L	Mental disorders	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Snake bite	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		F	Reduce blood pressure, dysentery, and hypotonic	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
228.	<i>Rhododendron arboreum</i> Sm., Laligurans, Ericaceae	Fl	Dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Bone prick	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
229.	<i>Ricinus communis</i>	L	Mumps and increase lactation	Tharu	(Singh, 2020)

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	L., Arandi, Euphorbiaceae			(Pr)	
		Sd	Cracking heels	Meche Bantar	(Rai, 2004) (Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
230.	<i>Rorippa benghalensis</i> (DC.) H. Hara, Tori Ghas, Brassicaceae	L	Malaria and headache	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
231.	<i>Rotala rotundifolia</i> (Buch-Ham. ex Roxb.) Koehne, Sim Jhar, Lythraceae	L	Hemicranias	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
232.	<i>Rubus ellipticus</i> Sm., Ainselu, Rosaceae	R	Dysentery	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
233.	<i>Rungia parviflora</i> (Retz) Nees, Runchejhar, Acanthaceae	W	Cuts and wounds	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
234.	<i>Saccharum officinarum</i> L., Ukhu, Poaceae	S	Jaundice	Darai Munda Tharu (Pr)	(Poudel & Singh, 2016) (Ghimire, 2016) (Singh, 2020)
235.	<i>Saccharum spontaneum</i> L., Kans, Poaceae	Fl	Cuts	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
236.	<i>Sansevieria frifasciata</i> Prain, Snake plant Asparagaceae	L	Ulcers	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
237.	<i>Sapindus mukorossi</i> Gaertn., Ritha, Sapindaceae	Sd	Tonsillitis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
238.	<i>Saraca indica</i> L., Ashoka, Fabaceae	B	Irregular menstruation	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
239.	<i>Saussurea graminifolia</i> Wall. ex DC., Saw-wort, Asteraceae	L	Cough	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
240.	<i>Schefflera venulosa</i> (Wight & Arn.) Hams, Kursiulo, Araliaceae	L	Irregular menstruation and fever	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)

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241.	<i>Schima wallichii</i> (DC.) Korth., Chilaune, Theaceae	B	Burn, abdominal pain, taenia pedis, snake bite, wormicide and malnourishment	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
242.	<i>Scindapsus officinalis</i> Schott, Kanchiro, Araceae	R	Abortion and fracture	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		S	Bodyache and backache	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
243.	<i>Scoparia dulcis</i> L., Mitha jhar, Scrophulariaceae	L	Cough	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Fever	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
			Veneral diseases and stomachache	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
244.	<i>Semecarpus anacardium</i> L. f., Bhalayo, Anacardiaceae	F	Headache	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Acute rheumatism, asthma, and dysentery	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)
245.	<i>Sesamum orientale</i> L., Til, Pedaliaceae	Sd	Sunburn and ringworms	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
246.	<i>Shorea robusta</i> Roth, Sal, Dipterocarpaceae	Lt & B	Diarrhea and dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		B	Diarrhea and dysentery	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		F	Diarrhea and dysentery	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
			Wounds	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		T	Gingivitis	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Fracture	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Appetizer	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
247.	<i>Sida cordifolia</i> L., balu, Malvaceae	L	Boils	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
248.	<i>Sida rhombifolia</i> L., Sano Chilya, Malvaceae	L	Wounds	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Wounds	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
249.	<i>Solanum aculeatissimum</i> Jacq., Kantakari, Solanaceae	F	Fever and toothache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		Sd	Teeth germs	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		R	Scabies	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
250.	<i>Solanum anguivi</i>	R	Scabies	Bantar	(Acharya &

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	Lam., Bihi, Solanaceae				Pokhrel, 2006)
251.	<i>Solanum indicum</i> L., Kande bihi, Solanaceae	F	Blood purifier and pneumonia	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
252.	<i>Solanum melongena</i> L., Bhanta, Solanaceae	R	Placenta retention	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
253.	<i>Solanum nigrum</i> L. Jungali bihi, Solanaceae	R	Intermittent fever and easy child delivery	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
254.	<i>Solanum tuberosum</i> L., Aalu, Solanaceae	Tu	Burns	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
255.	<i>Sonchus arvensis</i> L., Dudhi, Asteraceae	R	Typhoid	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
256.	<i>Spatholobus parviflorus</i> (DC.) Kuntze, Sal Lahara, Fabaceae	B	Diarrhea	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		R	Menstrual disorders	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
257.	<i>Sphaeranthus indicus</i> L., Gorakhmundi, Asteraceae	R	Stomachache and fever	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
258.	<i>Spilanthes calva</i> DC., Morathi, Asteraceae	L	Cuts and mun infections	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
259.	<i>Spondias pinnata</i> L. f. Kurz, Amaro, Anacardiaceae	L	Dysentery, pox and measles	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		B	rheumatic arthritis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
260.	<i>Stephania elegans</i> Hook. f. & Thomson, Taro Lahara, Menispermaceae	L	Blood dysentery and boils	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
261.	<i>Stephania japonica</i> (Thunb.) Miers, Badalpaate, Menispermaceae	R	Scorpion bite and abdominal spasm	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Gastric and indigestion	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
262.	<i>Stereospermum cheloniodes</i> Dc., Patala, Bignoniaceae	B	Leprosy	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
		Sd	Migraine headache	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
263.	<i>Streblus asper</i> Lour.,	L	Toothache	Tharu	(Singh, 2020)

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	Bedulla, Moraceae			(Pr)	
264.	<i>Swertia angustifolia</i> Buch-Ham. ex D. Don, Goru tite, Gentianaceae	S	Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Vomiting and stomachache	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		R	Fever	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		W	Anthelmintic, diarrhoea, fever, headache and stomach ache	Newar	(Balami, 2004)
265.	<i>Swertia chirayita</i> (Roxb. ex Fleming) H. Karst, Chiraito, Gentianaceae	L&S	Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
266.	<i>Syzygium aromaticum</i> L., Lwang, Myrtaceae	F	Tonsillitis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
		Sd & Bu	Toothache	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
267.	<i>Syzygium cumini</i> (L.) Skeels, Jamun, Myrtaceae	B	Diabetes	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Dysentery	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Dysentery and diarrhea	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		F	Diarrhea	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Diarrhea	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Indigestion	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Constipation and diabetes	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
268.	<i>Tagetes erecta</i> L., Sayapatri, Asteraceae	L	Cut injury	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Cut injury	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Pneumonia and chest pain	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Fever, cuts, and wounds	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
269.	<i>Tamarindus indica</i> L., Imali, Fabaceae	F	High blood pressure	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		Sd	Stomachache	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
		Fl	Piles	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
270.	<i>Terminalia belerica</i> (Gaertn.) Roxb.,	F	Bronchial asthma	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)

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	Barro, Combretaceae		Chest pain and cough	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)	
			Constipation	Meche	(Rai, 2004)	
			Gastritis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)	
			Cough and eye disease	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)	
271.	<i>Terminalia catappa</i> L., Kathe badam, Combretaceae	Sd	Anemia	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)	
272.	<i>Terminalia chebula</i> (Gaertn.) Retz., Harro, Combretaceae	B	Tonsillities	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)	
			F	Chest pain and cough	Chepang (C)	(Rijal, 2011)
				Gastric	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
				Chest pain and bronchitis	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
				Gastritis	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
Gastritis	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)				
273.	<i>Terminalia elliptica</i> Willd., Asna, Combretaceae	B	Dysentery	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)	
			Abdominal pain, fracture, diarrhea, cuts and dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)	
		S	Wounds and inflammation	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)	
274.	<i>Thespesia lampas</i> (Cav.) Dalzell & A. Gibson, Ban kapas, Malvaceae	R	Fever, indigestion, typhoid, dysentery and hangover of alcohol	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)	
		Sd	Constipation	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)	
275.	<i>Thevetia peruviana</i> (Pers.) K. Schum., Kaner, Apocynaceae	F	Ear infection	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)	
		L	Wounds	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)	
276.	<i>Thysanolaena maxima</i> (Roxb.) Kuntze, Amriso, Poaceae	R	Fever and indigestion	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)	
			Antihelmintic	Newar	(Balami, 2004)	
		L	Typhoid	Tharu (R)	(Acharya & Acharya, 2009)	
277.	<i>Tinospora cordifolia</i>	S	Diabetes, stomach problem	Tharu	(Singh, 2020)	

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	(Thunb.) Miers, Gurjo, Menispermaceae			(Pr)	
			Heat sickness	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Veneral diseases	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
			Earache	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
278.	<i>Trachyspermum copticum</i> Link, Jwano, Apiaceae	W	Cold, pimples, rashes, sore throat, wounds and pneumonia	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
		Sd	Gastritis	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
279.	<i>Trewia nudiflora</i> L., Bhelar, Euphorbiaceae	F	Ringworm	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
280.	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i> L., Gokhur, Zygophyllaceae	R	Miscarriage and body pain	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		S	Abdominal spasm	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
281.	<i>Trichodesma indicum</i> (L.) R. Br., Kanike Kuro, Boraginaceae	W	Headache	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
282.	<i>Trichosanthes dioica</i> Roxb., Parbal, Cucurbitaceae	F	Heat sickness	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
283.	<i>Tridax procumbens</i> L., Kurkure, Asteraceae	L	Cuts and wounds	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
284.	<i>Trigonella foenum- graceum</i> L., Methi, Fabaceae	Sd	Cold and running nose	Kisan	(Rajbanshi & Thapa, 2019)
			Cough	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
285.	<i>Triumfetta rhomboidea</i> Jacq, Ballu Kuro, Malvaceae	L	Boils	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
286.	<i>Urena lobata</i> L., Dalle Kuro, Malvaceae	L	Eczema and skin infections	Meche	(Rai, 2004)
			Boils	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
287.	<i>Urtica dioica</i> L., Sisnoo, Urticaceae	R	Snake and scorpion bite	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Fever	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		S	Blood pressure	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
288.	<i>Vicia tetrasperma</i> (L.) Schreb.,	Sd	Mental disorders	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)

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	Aankura, Fabaceae				
289.	<i>Viscum album</i> L., Hadchur, Santalaceae	B	Sprain and fracture	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
			Cut injury and wounds	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
		W	Fracture	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
			Fracture	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
290.	<i>Vitex negundo</i> L., Simali, Verbenaceae	L	Stomach problem	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Constipation	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
		R	Rheumatic arthritis	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
291.	<i>Withania somnifera</i> (L.) Dunal, Aswogandha, Solanaceae	L	Abdominal disorders	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)
293.	<i>Woodfordia fruticosa</i> (L.) Kurtz, Dhiero, Lythraceae	Fl	Diarrhoea and dysentery	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		B &R	Diarrhoea	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
294.	<i>Xanthium strumarium</i> L., Bhende Kuro, Asteraceae	L	Eczema	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
295.	<i>Xeromphis spinosa</i> (Thunb.) Keay, Main kanda, Rubiaceae	F	Sbdominal spasm	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		B	Leprosy	Tharu (C)	(Dangol & Gurung, 1991)
296.	<i>Xeromphis uliginosa</i> (Retz.) Maheshw, Pidar, Rubiaceae	F	Diarrhea	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
297.	<i>Youngia japonica</i> (L.) DC., Dulla jhar, Asteraceae	W	Appetizer, blood purifier, constipation and boils	Bantar	(Acharya & Pokhrel, 2006)
298.	<i>Zanthoxylum armatum</i> DC., Timur, Rutaceae	F	Oedema, abdominal spasm, teeth infection and cholera	Chepang	(Rijal, 2011)
		Sd	Indigestion	Chepang	(Sharma <i>et al.</i> , 2014)
299.	<i>Zingiber officinale</i> Roscoe, Aduwa, Zingiberaceae	Rh	Cough	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
			Cold	Tharu (C)	(Mueller- Boeker, 1993)
			Cough, cold, hair fall and	Kisan	(Rajbanshi &

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			sinusitis		Thapa, 2019)
			Vomiting and cough	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
300.	<i>Ziziphus mauritiana</i> Lam. Bayer, Rhamnaceae	B	Dysentery and diarrhea	Tharu (Pr)	(Singh, 2020)
		Sd	Chicken pox	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
			Abdominal pain	Munda	(Ghimire, 2016)
		L	Heart burn	Tharu (C)	(Mueller-Boeker, 1993)
		F	Cough	Darai	(Poudel & Singh, 2016)

The figure 2 shows the number of diseases treated by ethnic tribal groups of Terai region using different parts of plant body or whole plant body where it is clear that maximum number of diseases are treated using leaf (72) of plants then, by the use of bark (55) followed by root (48). Buds of plant (1) is least used for the treatment of diseases by ethnic tribal people of Terai.

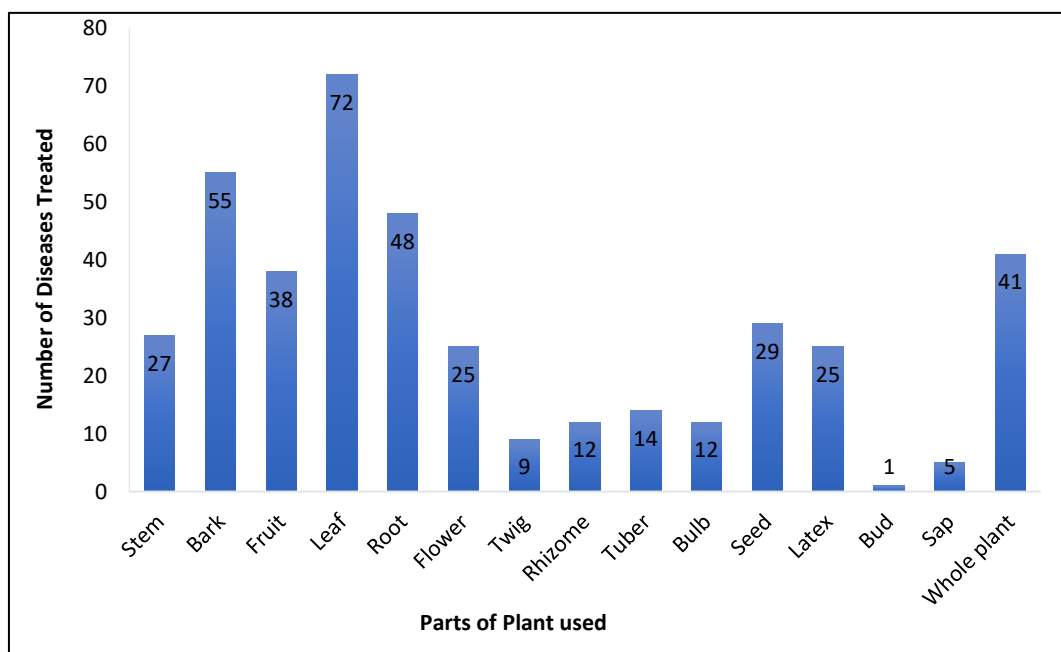


Figure 2. Bar graph showing number of diseases treated by using different parts of plant body or whole plant body.

Conclusions and Recommendation

This study provides ethnomedicinal information about the plant species used by major ethnic tribes of the Terai region of Nepal. A total of 300 plant species from 98 families are documented in this study. The maximum number of plants used by the tribal group of Terai is from Fabaceae (26.53%) family followed by Asteraceae (19.38%), and then Lamiaceae (14.29%). These plant species are used in the treatment of 120 types of diseases and ailments by 8 ethnic groups residing in six Terai districts, namely Chitwan, Parsa, Nawalparasi, Rupandhehi, Jhapa, and Morang. Many parts of a plant or whole plant body are found to be used by the tribal people among which leaf is used for the treatment of a maximum number of diseases (72) and bud is the least used body part (1). Many ethnic and indigenous knowledge about plant species, their identification, collection process, and treatment of diseases must be documented and passed on from generation to generation. This continuity of ethnic tribal knowledge on medicinal plants and their pharmacological values could widen the scope and importance of herbal medicine science. Moreover, ethnomedicinal knowledge ensures the cure of the diseases and ailments locally which ultimately saves time, money and prevents extreme situations. Researches and explorations should be carried out about the phytochemical as well as pharmacological values of medicinal plants and the knowledge must be utilized for future medical endeavors.

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