Folk-Lore Antifertility Plant Drugs of Bihar

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Population control has become a challenge to the whole world. Despite of several contraceptive measures, being available, the medical science is still in search of an effective antifertility drug having no drawbacks.

Folk-lore claims provide base for research and discovery of the remedies for various ailments. The author, while making medico-ethno-botanical exploration of various forest localities of Bihar during 1971-1980, have come across about one and a half dozen such plant drugs which are claimed to be successfully being used for antifertility purposes by the tribal people of Bihar. The present communication deals with these claims with a view to place the information at the disposal of the scientific workers engaged in solving the problem of birth control.

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