Martynia annua Linn.: A Traditional Drug for Asthma, Itch and Eczema

Martynia annua, Linn. (Martyniaceae) an exotic plant species now naturalized in India is well known among the villagers of Bundelkhand region by its local names such as 'Kaua', 'Baghnakha', and 'Hathajoru'. The local inhabitants were found using its seeds and fruits for the treatment of asthma, itch and eczema, respectively.