

## Some Folk Medicines of the Tribals of Gujarat

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The paper deals with 25 plants used by the tribals of Gujarat for some 20 diseases. These are *Alangium salvifolium*, *Bacopa monnieri*, *Bliphytum sensitivum*, *Boswellia serrata*, *Cayratia auriculata*, *C. carnosa*, *Cissus setosa*, *Commelina benghalensis*, *Curculigo orchioides*, *Dioscorea hispida*, *Dregia volubilis*, *Dyerophytum indicum*, *Ehretia aspera*, *E. laevis*, *Elytratia acaulis*, *Euphorbia nivulia*, *Lawsonia inermis*, *Lepidagathis trinervis*, *Miliusa tomentosa*, *Neuracanthus sphaerostachyus*, *Pentatropis spiralis*, *Pergularia daemia*, *Rhynchosia minima*, *Sterculia urens* and *Trianthema portulacastrum*.

The following diseases are said to be cured: Cough and cold, Loose motion, eye diseases, hydrocele, wounds/abscess, intestinal worms, mumps, jaundice,

stomach ulcer, Menstrual complaints, piles, rheumatism, snake-bite, swellings/inflammation, toothache, impotency, tuberculosis, urinary troubles, skin diseases and one claim is to check the pregnancy.

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