## EXOTIC MEDICINAL PLANTS OF DISTRICT LALITPUR, UTTAR PRADESH

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A large number of allien plant species adapted themselves and got naturalised so well that these now constitute an integral part of the Indian flora distinguishable only as exotics by their known previous history.

An extensive survey of the flora of Lalitpur, U.P. was conducted and the study revealed the occurrence of seventy medicinally useful exotic species which have been enumerated providing their family name, origin, medicinal uses, biological activity of various plant parts as a drug local habital and field book number. It has been observed that out of 70 plant species, about 43% are native to America which has been estimated to be the largest in number whereas species of the Australian and Eurasion origin are poorly represented. In between these lie species of Pantropical, Paleotropical, Asiatic, Indo-Malayan and European origin. Analysis of these exotic species revealed that about 15-16% exhibited anticancerous, cardio-vascular and antimicrobial activity while 0.75% have shown antibiotic property.