Clinical Study on underweight Children with Kshiravidari (*Ipomoea digitata* Linn.)

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Abstract

Thirty numbers of underweight children were administered with the powder of Kṣ̄īravidārī for 90 consecutive days and advised to take balanced diet (Group-1) and twenty numbers of underweight children were advised to take balanced diet only (Group-2). The results in both groups were assessed through change in clinical features, anthropometric measurement and alteration in serum protein level. The study reveals, KA¢ravid¡r¢ is more effective to manage underweight, with respect to only balanced diet. Besides gaining the weight (i.e. 1.35kg.) it also enhances the appetite (i.e.92.16%), removes constipation (i.e.100%), relieves weakness (i.e.100%) and reduces the morbidity incidence.

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