

## Ethnobotanical study of medicinal plants used to treat human ailments in Aseko District, Southeast Ethiopia

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### Supplementary Data

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S. Name	Family	L. Name	PU	Disease Treated	Mode preparation with dosage used	RA	CO	Ha	Ct	VN
<i>Acacia abyssinica</i>	Fabaceae	Laaftoo	L	Skin rash	Powdered and put on the area	Dm	D			
<i>Hochst.ex Benth.</i>			L	Goiter	Leaf of <i>Acacia abyssinica</i> is smashed and the sap is applied to the goiter for three days with needle.	Dm	F			
			L	Back-pain	Fresh crushed leaves are mixed with water and drunk.	O	F			
			L	Leismaneseis	Juvenile leaves crushed and sniffed	N	F	T	W	J001
			L	Ear problem	Squeezed and added	Au	F			
			R	Nasal bleeding	Crushed and sniffed with leaves of <i>Solanum incanum</i>	N	F/D			
			L	Kidney disease	Pounding the and drinking concoction with honey for 3 mornings	O	F			
<i>Anethum graveolens L.</i>	Apiaceae	Kooman	L	Kidney disease	Pounding the leaf and drinking the Decoction.	O	F/D	H	Hg	J002
		a	R	Retained feces	Pounding and drunk concoction	O	F			
<i>Aloe Vera L.</i>	Aloacea	Hargiis	La	Fire burn	The latex is painted on the wound	Dm	F	H	W	J003
<i>Allium cepa L.</i>	Alliaceae	Qulubbi	Bu	Jaundice	Grind, paste the crushed part and tie	Dm	F	H	Hg	J004
		i diimaa	Bu	Asthma	Boil with Ginger and Drink as herbal tea	O	F/D			
<i>Allium sativum L.</i>	Alliaceae	Qullubii	Bu	Colds	The blub is pounded, mixed with honey & 2-3 teaspoons is eaten for three days.	O	D			
		adii	Bu	Malaria	Eaten with 'injera' and <i>Capsicum annum L.</i> for 5 days before eating breakfast	O	D			
			Bu	Heart faller	Crushed and eaten for 2-3 days in the morning	O	D			
			Bu	Hemorrhoides	Mixed with honey, butter, <i>Nigella sativa</i> and <i>Trachy spermumammi</i> filtered and stayed for 1 day then one soup spoon is taken each day in the morning	O	D			
			Bu	Stomachache	Eaten by mixing with <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> and adding salt	O	D	H	Hg	J005
			Bu	Asthma	Mixed with honey, <i>Nigella sativa</i> & <i>Trachy spermumammi</i> & 1 soupspoon is taken each day in the morning.	O	D			
			Bu	Malaria	Blub pounded, mixed with the crushed fresh leaves of <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> , <i>Solanu mnigrum</i> , and applied externally to prevent the disease.	Dm	F			
			Bu	Wound	Blub is pounded together with the seed of <i>Lepidium sativum</i> and <i>Ricinus communis</i> and tied on the wound every two days for five days.	Dm	D			
<i>Asparagus africanus</i>	Asparagaceae	Sariitii	L	Snake bite	Squeezed with leaves of <i>Stereospermum kunthianum</i> and <i>Citrus limon</i> and 1 coffee cup is given	O	F	H	W	J006

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			R	Placenta-retention	Root is pounded; warm in water then mixed with honey & is drunk.	O	F			
			L	Spider poison	Leaves crushed and applied on the affected part	Dm	F			
			R	Wound	Fresh root is pounded together with leaves of <i>Dodonea angustifolia</i> , mixed with butter & applied on wound	Dm	F			
			L	Malaria	Leaf is crushed, mixed with milk and taken one coffee cup every morning until the individual goes from the malarial area.	O	F/D			
<i>Asplenium monathes</i>	Asplenia L	Digaluu Makani	L	Sudden sickness	Leaf is pounded with leaf of <i>Cussonia ostinii</i> and human takes 3-4 cup of tea.	O	F	Ep	W	J007
			L	Poison	Squeezed and given	O	F			
			R	Diabetes	Powdered and taken with honey	O	F			
<i>Bidens pilosa</i>	Asteraceae	Cogoogitii	L	Ear problem	Squeezed and added	Au	F			J008
			R	Gonorrhoea	Squeezed and drinking 1 glass cup	O	F	H	W	
			L	Spider poison	Burned on fire and put on the area	Dm	F			
<i>Brassica nigra</i> (L.) Koch	Brassicaeae	siinaficaa	Se	Common cold	Boil and drink the decoction with tella up on cooling.	O	D			J009
			Se	Asthma	Crush with garlic and steep the seed in cold water and drink the infusion	O	D	H	Hg	
<i>Brassica carinata</i>	Brassicaeae	Raafuu	Se	Stomach	Crushed and eaten with <i>Allium sativum</i> by adding salt	O	D			
			Se	Common cold	Powdered and mixed with water then dunk.	O	D			J0010
			Se	Common cold	Boil and drink the decoction with tella up on cooling.	O	D	H	Hg	
			Se	Asthma	Crush with garlic and steep the seed in cold water and drink the infusion	O	D			J0010
<i>Brucea antidysenterica</i>	Simaroubaeae	Jiloolaa	R	Wound	Crushed root is mixed with pounded fresh leaf of <i>D. angustifolia</i> & tied on wound for two days every other day.	Dm	F/D			J0011
			L	Evil eyes	Fresh leaf of <i>Brucea antidysenterica</i> is placed in the nostrils.	Dm	F	Sh	W	
			L	Rabies	Squeezed and baked with teff flour and given for 3 days	O	F			
<i>Calpurnia aurea</i>	Fabaceae	Ceekaa	L	Stomachache	Squeezed and drunk one spoon	O	F			
			L	Ecto-parasite	Crushed and washed	Dm	F			
			St	Amoeba	Squeezed, drunk 1/2 glass cup	O	F	Sh	W	J0012
			St	Toothache	Harvested and brushed and put on teeth	Ts	F			
			L	Diarrhea	Squeezed and drunk 1/2 glass cup	O	F			
<i>Capparis tomentosa</i>	Capparidaceae	Harangamaa	RL	Sudden sickness	Root is dried powdered and preserved, 1 spoon powder is mixed with alcohol & given to human.	O	D			
			L	Toothache	The leaf of <i>Capparis tomentosa</i> is chewed and placed on the teeth for some hours.	Ts	F			
			LR	Evil eye	Leaf or root is crushed, add to fire and smoked to the victim.	Dm	D	Sh	W	J0013
			R	Intestinal worm	Root of <i>Capparis tomentosa</i> is dried and powdered, mixed with water. 3 spoon is given per aday for three days	O	D			
			Se	Ascaries	The seeds are dried and eaten	O	D			
			R	Wound	Crushed and painted	Dm	F/D			
			Se	Amoeba	Dried, powdered and taken with tea	O	D			
<i>Carica papaya</i>	Caricaceae	Paapayaa	L	Malaria	Leaf of <i>Carica papaya</i> and <i>A. sativum</i> bulb are pounded together & made in the form of soup, boiled and mixed with honey and 1-2 cup of coffee is used.	O	F			J0014
			Fu	Anemia	Fruit of <i>C. papaya</i> squeezed & mixed with sugar, & left over night. 2 glasses are used as drink early in morning.	O	F	T	Hg	
			R	Lung disease	Crushing and chewing or Powdering and drinking the solution	O	D			
			R	Liver disease	Pounding and, Squeezing & then Drinking the solution	O	F/D			
<i>Catha edulis</i> (Vahl) Forssk. ex Endl.	Celastraceae	Jimaa	L	Urine-retention	Fresh leaf together with <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> , <i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> is pounded, mixed with water add local areke (katkala) and is given orally.	O	F			J0015
			LBa	Intestinal parasite	Fresh leaf and bark will be chewed and swallowed.	O	F	Sh	Hg	
			R	Impotency	Drink the concoction	O	F			

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			L	Common cold	Boil with sugar and Drink as herbal tea	O	D			
			Ba	Ascariasis	Boil with garlic and drink the decoction up on cooling	O	F			
			L	Common cold	The leaf of <i>Catha edulis</i> will be boiled with that of <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> and drunk.	O	F/D			
<i>Carissa spinarum</i> L.	Apocynaceae	Hgamsa	R	Head ache	Dry leaf of <i>Carissa spinarum</i> will be smoked and inhaled through nostrils.	N	D			
			L	Stomach ache	Pounded leaf is mixed with honey and 2-3 teaspoons will be eaten before breakfast.	O	D			
			R	Impotency	Root of <i>Carissa spinarum</i> will be pounded and mixed with local beer (tella) and one glass of it (~ 250 mL) will be drunk for three days.	O	F	Sh	W	J0016
			R	Evil sprit	Dried root is smoked and inhaled through nose	N	D			
			R	Evil eye	Root powdered mixed with butter and creamed	Dm	D			
<i>Citrus limon</i> (L.)Burm.	Rutaceae	Loomii	Fu	Stomachache	Fruit juice is added to water and drunk.	O	F			J00
			Fu	Scabies	Fruit juice mixed with fine powder, Root of <i>Acokanther aschimperi</i> , and Applied to the affected part and it Under the sun for about half an hour.	Dm	F	Sh	Hg	17
<i>Clematis simensis</i> Perr.	Ranunculaceae	Fiiitii	L	Urine of Bat	Placed on fire and put on the area	Dm	F			
			L	Toothache	Crushed and put on	Ts	F			
			L	Tonsilitis	Leaf of <i>C. simensis</i> is crushed and pressed, rolled in clean cloth and tied on neck.	Nk	F/D			
			Se	Rheumatism	Boil and drink the decoction up on cooling	O	D	Cl	W	J0018
			R	Ascariasis	Drink the concoction	Dm	O			
			L	Lymphatic Swelling	Leaf of <i>C. simensis</i> and <i>Lagera aleta</i> are crushed, smashed and tied on swelling.	Dm	F			
<i>Coffee arabica</i> L.	Rubiaceae	Buna	Se	Spider poison	Roasted, powdered, mixed with butter and painted	Dm	D			
			Se	Diarrhea	Powder of roasted coffee bean will be eaten or drunk before breakfast for 2-3 days.	O	D			
			Se	Wound	Roasted seeds grounded, and tied on the wound.	Dm	F/D			
			Se L	Dizzy & headache	Roasting the seeds & leaves, crushing, boiling & drinking it	O	F/D	Sh	Hg	J0019
			Se	Wound	Roasted seeds grounded, and tied on the wound.	Dm	F/D			
			Fu	Diarrhea	The dried coffee bean roasted and powdered then given to the patient by mixing with honey.	O	D			
<i>Commelina foliacea</i> Chiov.	Commelinaceae	Harmala	L	Headache & oral sore of children	Chewing and giving nasally	N	F	H	W	J0020
<i>Cordia africana</i> Lam.	Boraginaceae	Waddeessa	L	Skin rash	Dried, powdered, mixed with butter, painted by washing the area every day for 7 days and tied with clear cloth	Dm	D			
			L	Spider poison	Leaf is burned and the ash is mixed with butter and creamed on affected part.	Dm	F/D	T	W	J0021
			St	Smell of foot	Stem soaked and added on leg	Dm	F			
			L	Wound of leg	Placed on fire and put on the area	Dm	F			
			L	Scabies	Powdered, mixed with butter and painted	Dm	D			
<i>Coriandrum sativum</i> L.	Apiaceae	Dimbila	L	Diffuse cutaneous leshmaniasis	The leaf of <i>Coriandrum sativum</i> pound with leaf of <i>Croton macrostachyus</i> and <i>Rumex nervosus</i> creamed on pain area for 2-3 days.	Dm	F/D	H	Hg	J00
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<i>Croton macrostachyus</i> D	Euphorbiaceae		La	Ringworm	Painted on the area	Dm	F			
			S	Liver problem	The middle part of the stem cooked with teff flour and 5 - 7 spoons is taken.	O	F/D			
			L	Malaria	Crushed and Smoked	N	D			
			L	Gonorrhoea	Powdered, placed on water overnight and filtered and drunken 1 tea glass for two days, hiding from shadow for one day; cooked teff flour is eaten to stop diarrhea.	O	D	T	W	J0023
			Se	Ascaries	Cooked with teff flour and eaten from 3-5spoon.	O	D			
			La	Constipation	Harvesting the soft part of stem and drinking with 'Merek'	O	F/D			
			L	Tetanus	The upper part of the plant leaf is crushed & added to the	Dm	F			

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			L	Lymphatic swelling	Dried leaves of <i>Croton macrostachyus</i> and <i>Premna schimperii</i> will be powdered, and 2-3 tea spoons of the powder will be mixed with alcohol or coffee and drunk.	Dm	D			
			R	Evil eye	Chopped roots of <i>C. macrostachyus</i> & <i>Carissa spinarum</i> will be smoked & inhaled.	N	F/D			
			L	Febrile illness	Leaf of <i>C. macrostachyus</i> and <i>O. forskolei</i> are fumigated.	D	F			
			L	Headache	Leaf of <i>Croton macrostachyus</i> and <i>Ocimum forskolei</i> is smashed and sniffed.	N	F			
			L	Haemorrhoid	The fresh leaves of <i>C. macrostachyus</i> & <i>Cucumis ficifolius</i> will be pounded together and creamed.	D	F			
<i>Cucumis dipsaceus</i> Ehrenb. ex Spach	Cucurbitaceae	Araddo	R	Diarrhea & vomiting	Root grounded and eaten together with Porridge of teff.	O	D	H	W	J0024
<i>Cucumis ficifolius</i> A. Rich.	Cucurbitaceae	Araddo	R	Febrile illness	Root of <i>C. ficifolius</i> , leaf of <i>Ocimum gratissimum</i> and leaf of <i>Calpurnia aurea</i> are pounded together and mixed with cold water and a cup of coffee is given to human.	O	F			
			L	Jaundice	Cooked, pasted with honey and eaten.	O	F			
			L	Gonorrhoea	7,9 or 11 shoot tips is cut, cooked together with <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> and one spoonful of the solution is drunk per day for seven consecutive days.	O	F			
			RBa	Stomachache	Fresh bark together with bulb of <i>Allium sativum</i> , is pounded, mixed with butter and eaten; or A piece of root chewed with salt and swallowed	O	F	H	W	J0025
			Fu	Ear pain	Sap of fruit is added to ear canal.	Au	F			
			L	Tetanus	Leaf of <i>Cucumis ficifolius</i> is smashed & 2-4 drop of sap is added to the swelling.	Dm	F			
			LBa	Sudden sickness	Bark & leaf of <i>Cucumis ficifolius</i> is dried & powdered together mixed with alcohol, and a cup of tea is taken	O	F/D			
<i>Cucurbita pepo</i> L.	Cucurbitaceae	Dubbaa	Se	Tape worm	Roasted and eaten	O	D	Hg		J0026
			Se	Hookworm	Seeds are soaked in water over night, chew and swallowed as they are.	O	F/D	H		
<i>Clutia abyssinica</i> Jaub.	Euphorbiaceae	Ulee Fooni	R	Qora (Cold)	washing the patient by concoction or decoction	Dm	F			J0027
			St	Gum bleed	Clean teeth by juline stem as brush	Dm	F			
			L	Epilepsy	Taking concoction steam bath	Dm	F	Sh	W	
			La	Tinea corporis	Paint/rub/pastethe latex/sap/flesh/juice directly	Dm	F			
			LBa	Rabies	Pound leaves & bark drink concoction ½ coffee cup for human & 1 cup for cattle	O	F			
<i>Cynodon dactylon</i> L.	Poaceae	Coqorsa	Wp	Snake bite	The entire above ground parts of <i>Cynodon dactylon</i> will be crushed, mixed with butter and rubbed onto the skin part bitten by the snake.	Dm	F	H	W	J0028
			Wp	Wound	The whole plant will be crushed finely and sprayed over the wound every night for some days.	Dm	F			
<i>Cynoglossum lanceolatum</i> Forssk	Boraginaceae	Maxxanee	L	Ear disease	Leaves smashed and the exudates dropped in ear	Au	F			J0029
			L	Headache	Leaves crushed and sniffed	N	F	H	W	
			L	Eye disease	Leaves smashed and the extracts dropped in eye	OP	F			
			L	Hemorrhoid	Leaves powdered with leaves of <i>C. macrostachyus</i> and creamed on the affected part by mixing with butter	An	F			
<i>Datura stramonium</i> L.	Solanaceae	Banjii	Fu	Scabies(citto)	Powdered fruit of <i>Datura stramonium</i> 2-3 spoon of the powder is mixed with butter and creamed.	Dm	F			
			Fu	Dandruff	Fruit of <i>Datura stramonium</i> is dried and powdered, mixed with water and used to wash head skin.	Dm	D			
			Fu	Malaria	Powdered fruit of <i>Datura stramonium</i> is mixed with honey & 3-4 spoons are eaten with pounded <i>A. sativum</i> .	O	D			J0030
			R	Headache	Roots of <i>D. stramonium</i> is pounded with <i>Ocimum gratissimum</i> leaf sniffed Nasaly.	N	F			

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			L	Wound	The leaf is pounded and applied (put) on affected area once a day for 2-5 days.	Dm	F/D			
			Fu	Diarrhea	Drink 1-coffee cup decoction	O	D			
			L	Rheumatism	Washing with leaves of <i>Acacia abyssinica</i> , <i>Ocimum lamiifolium</i> and <i>Justica schimperiana</i> for 3 days	Dm	F			
<i>Dodonea angustifolia</i>	Sapindaceae	Iticha	L	Ear wound	Crushed, mixed with butter and placed on the damaged part.	Au	D			J0031
			L	Wound	Fresh/dried leaf is grounded and applies to the wound after washing with squeezed leaf of <i>Calpurnia aurea</i> .	Dm	F	Sh	W	
<i>Discopodium eremanthum</i>	Solanaceae	Maraaro	L	Scabies	Pa chewing or crushing the leaves and painting the concoction	Dm	F			J0032
			R	Gonorrhea	Crushing and drinking the decoction	O	F			
<i>Dombeya torrida</i>	Sterculariaceae	Daanisa	R	Snake poison	Pound the root with salt and Drink the concoction	O	F			J0033
<i>Dovyalis abyssinica</i>	Flacortiacae	Kooshi	R	Evil eye	Pounding the root bark and giving the concoction	Dm	F/D			J0034
			L	Retained placenta	pounding and drinking the decoction	O	F			
			Wp	Stomach pain	Crushing stem bark, twigs, flowers, seed and chewing or drinking.	O	F/D	Sh	T	
<i>Echinops kerebicho</i>	Asteraceae	Qamaric	R	Snake repellent	Root of <i>Echinops kerebicho</i> is dried and smoked in house.	N	D			
			R	Internal parasite	Root is dried powdered and mixed with water. Half of tea cup is given to human.	O	D			
			R	Febrile Illness	Dried Root of <i>Echinops kerebicho</i> is fumigated.	N	F			
			R	Gonorrhea	Root of <i>Echinops kerebicho</i> and bark of <i>Croton macrostachyus</i> are pounded together mixed with honey. One cup of tea is taken by human.	O	F/D	H	W	J0035
			R	Evil eye	Root together with dried root of <i>Silene macroselen</i> , is smoked to the patient.	Dm	F/D			
			R	Mich	method is the same as <i>Echinops kerebicho</i> Mesfin. of evil eye.	Dm	F			
<i>Ensete ventricosum</i>	Musaceae	Warqee	R	Diarrhea	Roasted and eaten with salt	O	D			J0036
			R	Gastritis	Crash the root Boil with salt and drink the decoction up on cooling	O	D	Sh	Hg	
			R	Wound	Extract the juveline shoot part and pour or paint it	Dm	F			
<i>Ehretia cymosa</i>	Boraginaceae	Ulaagaa	L	Pain waransa	<i>Ehretia cymosa</i> leaf is smashed and the sap is taken by human.	O	F			J0037
								T	W	
<i>Ekebergia pensis</i>	Meliaceae	Somboo	Ba	Wound	Bark of <i>Ekebergia capensis</i> is powdered and half a spoon is added to wound.	Dm	D			J0038
			Sa	Hemorrhoid.	Sap exudate of <i>Ekebergia capensis</i> is directly applied to hemorrhoid	An	F	T	W	
<i>Embliaschi mperi</i>	Myrsinaceae	Haanqu	Se	Tapeworm	Seed of <i>Embelia schimper</i> is dried and powdered, mixed with water, two glasses is taken once.	O	D	Sh	W	J0039
<i>Erythrina brucei</i>	Fabaceae	Waleens	L	Stomachache	Chewed	O	F			
			L	Insect bite	Squeezed and painted	Dm	F			J0040
			Ba	Tonsillitis	Chewed in the morning	O	F/D	T	W	
			L	Toothache	crushed and put on	Ts	F			
<i>Eucalyptus globulus</i>	Myrtaceae	Barga	L	Cough	Boiled with sugar 1 tea cup of syrup is given	O	F/D			J0041
			L	Dingetegna	Dried powdered make a s/n and drink	O	F/D	T	Hg	
			L	Fibril illness	Chewing and drinking sap	O	F			J0042
<i>Eucalyptus species</i>	Myrtaceae	Bargam	L	Foot smell	Added on shoes	Dm	F	T	Hg	J0043
<i>Euclea racemosa</i>	Ebenaceae	Mi'eess	R	Gonorrhea	Fresh or dried root is pounded, boiled in water and	O	F/D	Sh	W	J0044
			R	Internal parasite	Drunk with yoghurt.	O	F/D			

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<i>Euphorbia abyssinica</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Adaami	L	Sniff of feces	Squeezed with leaves of <i>Ruta nepalensis</i> and taken	O	F			
			La	Gonorrhoea	Very small amount of milky latex is mixed with red tef flour, bake and eaten for 3 consecutive days.	O	F/D	T	W	J0044
			Ba	Ascariasis	Fine powder of pounded bark of <i>C. macrostachyus</i> is mixed and taken at meal time.	O	F			
<i>Ficus sur</i>	Moraceae	Harbuu	Sa	Ring worm	Sap from <i>Ficus sur</i> is creamed on affected skin.	Dm	F	T	W	J0045
<i>Ficus sycomorus</i>	Moraceae	Odaa	Sa	Hepatitis	Sap of <i>Ficus sycomorus</i> is creamed directly on skin.	Dm	F			
			Ba	Rabies	Bark of <i>F. sycomorus</i> & root of <i>Prunus africana</i> are powdered together & backed with teff flour and eaten.	O	D	T	W	J0046
			Ba	Hemorrhoid	Bark of <i>Ficus sycomoru</i> is dried powdered and mixed with butter and creamed directly.	An	D			
<i>Fuerstia africana</i>	Lamiaceae	Qayya	L	Ring worm	Crushing the leaves, making s/n applying on the infected part.	Dm	F	H	W	J0047
<i>Hagenia abyssinica</i>	Rosaceae	Heexoo	Se	Tape worm	Crushed and drunk with local drink 'tella'	O	D			
			R Se	Hepatitis B	Root and seed are crushed and drink the concoction or decoction	O	F/D			
			Se Fl	Gonorrhoea	powdering seed and flower chewing or drinking the solution or crushing the leave and swallow the concoction	O	F/D			
			L	Bird (Qilensa)	Taking the steam bath by the concoction	Dm	F			
			Ba	Ascariasis	Drink the concoction or decoction from the internal stem bark	O	F	T	W	J0048
			Ba	Hepatitis B	crush and chew or drink solution made the internal bark of the stem	O	F			
			L	Common cold	Crush and smoke	N	F			
			Se	Taeniasis	Crushing chewing and drinking the sap	O	D			
			Fl	Headache	Crushing chewing and drinking the sap	O	D			
			L	Evil spirit	Crush the stem bark and using in the steam baths	Dm	F			
			Fl	Amoebiasis	Crushing and drinking the concoction or decoction	O	D			
<i>Hypericum revolutum</i>	Guttifera	Garamba	L	Cold	Crushing and boiling leaves and fumigating steam	N	F	Sh	W	J0049
<i>Juniperus procera</i>	Cupressaceae	Hindheessa	L	Qilensa(bird)	Taking steam baths by concoction or decoction	Dm	F			
			R	Diarrhea	Crushing and chewing the part or drinking the concoction	O	F			
			L	Typhoid	Crushing and chewing the part or drinking the concoction	O	F	T	W	J0050
			B	Toothache	Powder form mixed with fine powder of <i>Rumex nepalensis</i> in the presence of food oil is kept on teeth	Ts	F/D			
<i>Justicia schimperianaceae</i>	Acanthaceae	Dhumsel	LR	Rabies	Root and leaf will be pounded together, mixed with water and drunk.	O	F			J0051
(Hochst.)			L	Rheumatism	Boiled and 1 glass cup will be taken with sugar	O	F			
			R	Tonsillitis	Pound root & through nose	N	F	Sh	W	
			R	Gonorrhoea	Root of <i>J. schimperiana</i> together with leaf of <i>Erythrina brucei</i> pounded & drunk.	O	F/D			
			LR	Evil sprit	Root & leaves cooked & taking steam bath for 3 evening & washing body 3 mornings don't contact soil until dried	O	F/D			
<i>Jasminum grandiflorum</i>	Oleaceae	Biluu	L	Snakebite	Rub fresh leaf on the part/drink the fine powder mixed with milk, a glass of it.	O	F	Sh	W	J0052
L.			L	Tosilitis	Crush leaf mixed with butter & the paste is applied on the head	Dm	D			
<i>Lagenaria siceraria</i>	Cucurbitaceae	Buqqee	Fu	ringworm	Inner part of fresh fruit of <i>Lagenaria siceraria</i> is creamed on affected head skin.	Dm	F			J0053
		Hadhaa	Fu	Malaria	The sap from ripe fruit will be mixed with water and drunk before breakfast.	O	F	Cl	Hg	
			L	Ear disease	Fresh leaf will be squeezed and its juice will be dropped into the ear for 3-days.	Au	F			
			Se	Evil eye	Seeds are grounded and added to fire and smoke or drink	ON	F			

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			L	Snake bite	with honey. Fresh leaves are pounded & drunk with small amount of water	O	F			
<i>Lepidium sativum</i> L.	Lepidium	Shuunfa/Feexoo L.	Se	Malaria	Smoked with Echnops kebericho Mesfin. and leaves of Croton macrostachyus	N	D			J00
			Se	Diarrhea	Seed powdered with bulb A. sativum and given to cattle and to human with honey	O	D	H	Hg	54
			Se	Cough	Seed pound with bulb of Al sativum and given to human with honey for 5 days.	O	D			
			Se	Fibril illness	The seeds are inserted into fire and Smoke to the patient.	N	D			
<i>Linum usitatissimum</i> L	Lineacea	Talbaa	Se	Constipation	Seeds are soaked in water over night and the water solution is drunk.	O	D			J00
			Se	Dandruff	The hair washed by seeds of Linum ustitatissimum and used as a soap	Dm	D	H	Hg	55
			Se	Lymphatic swelling	Powder seeds and tie on the affected part	Dm	D			
<i>Lippia adoensis</i> Hochst	Verbenaceae	Sukaaye	L	Ringworm	Leaf is directly rubbed on affected skin.	Dm	F			
			L	Constipation	Pounding & drinking fresh leaves	O	F			J00
			LR	Dingetegna/Diarr	Leaves crushed make a solution with water and drink the concoction.	O	F/D	Sh	W	56
			L	Stomach pain	Crushing pounding and swallowing the sap	O	F/D			
			R	Internal parasite	Fresh dried root together with the dried bark of Croton macrostachyus is crushed and eaten after breakfast.	O	F			
<i>Lobelia rhynchopetalum</i>	Lobeliaceae	Taruura	St	Hemorrhoid	Cutting the stem and paint on the affected part	Dm	F			
			L	Eye problem	Crushing and applying the sap into eye	Op	F	Sh	W	J00
			R	Dandruff	Crushing powdering and painting the concoction for Forefor (dermatophytes)	Dm	D	Sh	W	57
<i>Lycopersicon esculentum</i> Mill.	Solanaceae	Timaantimii	L	Spider poison	Chewed and put on	Dm	F			
			L	Gonorrhea	Crushing and drinking the concoction or decoction	O	F/D	H	W	J00
			L	Kidney disease	Crushing and drinking the decoction	O	F			58
<i>Malva verticillata</i> L.	Malvaceae	Liitaa	L	Headache	Crushing and tying on head	Dm	F			J00
			R	Dandruff	Dried roots powdered and make paste creamed	Dm	D	H	W	59
			L	Eye problem	Squeeze fresh leaves in to the eye	Op	F			
<i>Maesa lanceolata</i> F.	Myrsinaceae	Abbayii	L	Rabies	Crushed, squeezed and taken	O	F			J00
			L	Urine of bat	Crushed, covered with leaves, placed on fire & put on the area	Dm	F	T	W	60
<i>Maytenus arbutifolia</i> A.	Celastraceae	Kombolcha	L	Sore	Grind the dried leave add butter and paint the powder or crushed part	Dm	D			J00
			L Fu	Hepatitis B	Dried leave or fruit is powdered and eaten or drink the concoction	O	D	T	W	61
<i>Melia azedarach</i> L.	Meliaceae	Mimie	L	Malaria	Squeezed and 1/4 coffee cup is taken	O	F			J00
			L	Abortion	Squeezed and drunk	O	F	T	Hg	62
			St	Toothache	Young stem is chewed and kept on the teeth.	Ts	F			
<i>Musa x paradisiaca</i> L.	Musaceae	Muuzii	Sa	wound	Paint/rub/pastethe latex/sap/flesh/juice directly by adding salt	O	F	H	Hg	J00
			Sa	Snake bite	Drink by squeezing sap	O	F			63
<i>Myrsine africana</i> L.	Myrsinaceae	Qacama	Se	Stomachache	Seeds are crushed, mixed with small amount of water keeping for a day & tea spoon of mixture is eaten Only once.	O	D			
			L	Tuberculosis	Drink the concoction	O	F	Sh	W	J0064
			R	Rabies	Boil and drink the decoction up on cooling	O	F			
<i>Nigella sativa</i> L.	Ranunculaceae	Habasuda	Se	Earache	Squeeze the seed and put into ear	Au	F/D			
			Fu	Diarrhea	Chewing and swallowing the juice directly seed/fruit	O	D			
		Gurraacha	Se	Asthma	Powder and drink the concoction or decoction	O	D	H	Hg	J0065
			Se	Haemorrhoid	Crushing & painting the concoction on affected part	Dm	F/D			
			Fu	Lung disease	Crushing the seed and swallowing the concoction	O	D			
			RFu	HepatitisB	Boil and drink the decoction up on cooling	Dm	F/D			

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<i>Ocimum basilicum</i> L.	Lamiaceae	Bassola	L	Headache	Leaf will be crushed and sniffed.	N	F			J0066
		laa	L	Malaria	Leaf of <i>O.basilicum</i> and bulb of <i>Allium sativum</i> will be pounded together and eaten with honey.	O	F/D	H	Hg	
<i>Olinia rochetiana</i> A.	Oliniaceae	Gunaa	L St	Qorra	Crushing leave and stem and taking the steam baths	Dm	F			J0067
			L	Qora	Washing by the concoction or decoction	Dm	F	T	W	
<i>Nicotiana tobaccum</i> L.	Solanaceae	Tamboola	L	‘Naqarsa’	Placed on fire and put on the area	Dm	F			J0068
			L	Toothache	Placed on fire and put on the tooth	Ts	F	H	Hg	
			L	Snake bite	Pounding leaves and tie on the affected part	Dm	F			
<i>Ocimum gratissimum</i> L.	Lamiaceae	Daama	L	Febrile illness	Leaf of <i>O. gratissimum</i> is smashed and sniffed Nasally.	N	F			J0069
		asee						Sh	Hg	
<i>Ocimum urticifolium</i> R.	Lamiaceae		L	Febrile illness	Leaf of <i>O. urticifolium</i> , <i>C. macrostachyus</i> and <i>Clausena anista</i> are smashed together and the sap is sniffed Nasally	N	F			J0070
			L	Headache	Leaf of <i>O.urticifolium</i> , <i>Carissa spinarum</i> and <i>Thalictrum rhynocharpum</i> are smashed together and sniffed	N	F	Sh	W	
<i>Oenanthe procumbens</i> W	Apiaceae	Booban	R	Stomach pain	Crushing the roots powdering and drinking the decoction	O	F/D			J0071
		qaa						H	W	
<i>Olea europaea</i> L.subsp.	Oleaceae	Ejersa	St	Earache	Crushing the stem and extracting the oil drop in to ear	Au	F			J0072
			SoL	Eczema	Painting stem oil or crushing the leaves and painting on the affected part	Dm	F			
			So	Qomaxa	Paint oil extracted from stem	Dm	F	T	T	
			So	Hemorrhoid	Paint oil extracted from stem	Dm	F			
			St	Evil spirit	Crushing the stem, burning and taking steam baths.	Dm	F			
<i>Phragmanthera macrosolen</i>	Loranthaceae	Digaluu	L	Diarrhea	Leaf of <i>Phragmanthera macrosolen</i> is pounded and mixed with water. One cup of ‘tella’ is used as a drink by human.	O	F			J0073
		Ceekata						Ep	W	
<i>Phytolacca dodecandra</i>	Phytolacaceae	Handoo	R	Poisoning	Crushed and taken with boiled coffee and butter	O	F			
		dee	Ba	Rabies	By powdering dried root mixing 1-tea spoon letting overnight and giving coffee cup ½ for adult ¼ for child and 1-coffee cup for cattle	O	D			
			R	Liver problem	Root is crushed and pounded mixed with water. One third of a cup is given	O	F/D			
			R	Gonorrhea	Root <i>Phytolacca dodecandra</i> and <i>Croton macrostchys</i> root are powdered and 1-2 cup of coffee is given to human with coffee.	O	F/D	Cl	W	J0074
			L	Toothache	Put teeth small amount leave tips with that of <i>Carissa spinarum</i> leave tips	Ts	F			
			R	Malaria	Root is grounded mixed with water & drunk in the morning for 3 consecutive days.	O	F			
			L	Scabies	Pounded, mixed with leaves of <i>V. amygdalina</i> and washed	Dm	F			
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i> L.	Plantaginaceae	Qorxib	L	Blood clot	Crushed and added on the area	Dm	F			J0075
			L	Wound	Crushed and put on	Dm	F	H	Hg	
<i>Plumbago zeylanica</i> L.	Pumbagi	Merxes	Ba	Toothache	Partly dried bark of root together with <i>Melia azadarach</i> are chewed turn by turn and hold on the teeth	Ts	F	H	W	J0076
		ncee								
<i>Podocarpus falcatus</i> (Thunb.) R.B.	Podocarpaceae	Birbirsa	Ba	Intestinal parasites	Decoction of the fine powder of the bark, grounded garlic and honey are pasted and about two-tea spoon is eaten at bedtime for 3-5 days.	O	F			J0077
								T	W	
<i>Rhus natalensis</i> Kr	Anacardiaceae	Dabooba	L	Evil spit	Pounding leaves damping in water and washing body	Dm	F			J0078
		essa		Snakebite (venom)	Chewing a handful of its leaves	O	F			
								Sh	W	
<i>Rhamnus prinoides</i> L.	Rhamnaceae	Geesho	L	Tonsillitis	Chew the leaf and swallow twice a day for 3 days.	O	F	Sh	Hg	J0079
<i>Ricinus communis</i> L.	Euphorbiaceae	Qobboo	Se	Wound	The oil is painted	Dm	F/D			J0080
			Se	Tonsillitis	Tied on neck	Nk	D	Sh	Hg	



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			L	swelling	The leaf is warmed on fire and rubbed on the swelling.	Dm	F			
			Se	Impotency	Seeds are pounded, mixed with small quantity of latex from Aloe spp. and drunk one coffee cup before bed time for 3 days.	O	D			
<i>Rumex nepalensis</i> Spreng.	Polygonaceae	Shhaabbe	L	Blood clot	Squeezed and applied	Dm	F			
			R	Stomachache	Squeezed and drunk 1 soup spoon	O	F			
			L	Evil eye	Squeezed with leaves of <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> & drunk 1/2 coffee cup	O	F			
			L	Spider Poison	Leaf is directly rubbed on affected skin.	Dm	F			
			R	Amoeba case	Root of <i>Rumex nepalensis</i> is pounded and two cup of tea is taken with coffee.	O	F			
			R	Internal parasite	Chew root & swallow or boil in the water & 1 glass solution is drunk only once.	O	D	H	W	J0081
			L	Amoebiasis	Dried leaf is ground, mixed with water & unspecified solution of it is drunk.	O	D			
			L	Ear problem	Fresh leaves heated on fire fluids from leaf are dropped in to the ear & putted in side	Au	F			
<i>Ruta chalepensis</i> L.	Rutaceae	Xeenadaam	L	Body swelling	Dry/fresh root chewed and put on the swollen part	O	F/D			
			L	Stomachache	Chewed and eaten or Squeezed and 1/2 glass cup is taken	O	F		Hg	
			L	Epilepsy	Squeezed, added to syringe up to 1 cc & added drop by drop on the left ear for 40 days.	Au	F			
			L	Fever	Fresh leaf is pounded together with <i>Zingiber officinale</i> , added to coffee and then a cup of coffee is drunk every morning for three consecutive days.	O	F			
			L	Cough	Leaf of <i>R. chalepensis</i> pounded with <i>Cussonia ostiniichiov</i> & eaten with injera	O	F			
			L	Influenza	Leaf is pounded with bulb of <i>Allium sativum</i> mixed with soup & used as adrink.	O	F	H		J0082
			L	Stomachache	Fresh leaf with garlic, is pounded, mixed with a glass of milk & drunk.	O	F			
			L	Headache	Fresh leaf together with <i>Zingiber officinale</i> is pounded, add to coffee and drunk.	O	F			
			L	Evil eye	Fresh leaves together with leaf of <i>Datura stramonium</i> are rubbed on the body of the patient or wash with the solution of these plants.	Dm	F			
<i>Rubus steudneri</i> Schew	Rosaceae	Goraabadaa	L	Asthma	Boil and drink the decoction up on cooling	O	F			J0083
<i>Schefflera volkensii</i>	Araliaceae	Anshaa	L	(Qilensa) bird	Crush the leaves make a concoction and take steam baths	Dm	F	T	W	J0084
<i>Silene macrosolen</i> A.	Caryophyllaceae	Waggartii	R	Amoebiasis	Chew directly or crash and drink concoction	O	F/D			
			R	Headache	Crush and smoke dried root	O	D			
			R	Evil eye	Partly dried root together with <i>Carisa spinarium</i> , <i>Capparis tomentosa</i> , <i>Ruta chalepensis</i> is fumigated in a closed room or Burn and taking steam baths	Dm	F/D			
			R	Digetegna	Pounding and drinking the decoction	O	F/D	H	W	J0085
			R	Diarrhea	Pounding and drinking	O	F/D			
			R	HepatitisB	Chewing and swallowing or crushing and making concoction and drinking	O	F/D			
<i>Solanum incanum</i> L.	Solanaceae	Hiddii Orome	R	Eye problem	Crushing make concoction, burning & take steam baths	Dm	D			
			Se	Pancreatic problem	Placed on water for one day, filtered and 1 glass cup is given for 3 days	O	F			
			Se	Common cold	Filtered with cloth and given	O	F	Sh	W	J0086
			R	Stomachache	Chewed	O	F			
			Se	Tonsillitis	The seed are squeezed and the sap is taken	O	F			
<i>Stephania abyssinica</i> D.	Menispermaceae	Hiddii Kalaala	L	Wound	Leaf of <i>Stephania abyssinica</i> is pounded and a small amount is added to wound.	Dm	F	Cl	W	J0087

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		a	R	Gonorrhea	Crush roots and drink the decoction	O	F			
			R	Warts	Grind, paste the crushed part and tie	Dm	F			
			L	Gastritis	Boil and drink the decoction up on cooling	O	F			
			R	Syphilis	Drink the concoction by adding Honey	O	D			
			Wp	Common cold	Whole part crushed, boiled in water & smoke inhaled until the patient get sweat	N	F			
<i>Syzygium guineense</i>	Myrtaceae	Zeeytuna	Ba	Impotency	Boil and drink the decoction up on cooling with 'Doorway'	O	F	T	Hg	J0088
<i>Thymus schimperi</i>	Lamiaceae	Xooshinee	L	Gara Bokoyso	Crush the leaves and chew or drink the concoction	O	D	H	W	J0089
			L	Hypertension	Boil with sugar Drink as herbal tea	Dm	F/D			
			L	Fibril illness	Smoke dried leaves as Cigarate	N	D			
<i>Urera hypselodendron</i>	Urticaceae	Haliilaa	Wp	Urine retention	Pounded, mixed with water and given orally.	O	F	Cl	W	J0090
<i>Urtica simensis</i> Steudel	Urticaceae	Doobbii	R	Gonorrhea	Leaf is pounded, mixed with water and given.	Dm	F			
			L	Fever	Dried leaf is powdered & 1 teaspoon of the powder & drunk with tea for 5 days	O	D			
			L	Gastritis	Eat the cooked the cooked shoots	O	F	H	W	J0091
			L	Epistaxis	Pound/squeeze/smash the shoots and sniff	N	F			
			Rh	Abdominal pain	Eat the plant part (raw/cooked)	O	F			
<i>Verbascum sinaiticum</i> Benth.	Scrophulariaceae		L	Diarrhea	Leaf is powdered and 1 spoon with cup of water given as pain is seen	O	F/D			J0092
			L	Tuberculosis	Boil shoots and drink the decoction up on cooling with honey	O	D	H	W	
			L	Hemorrhoids	Grind and paint the powder or crushed part on the affected part	An	F			
<i>Vernonia amygdalina</i>	Asteraceae	Ebicha	L	Mouth sore	Squeezed and mouth is rinsed	O	F			
			L	Heart problem	Squeezed and drunk 1 coffee cup	O	F			
			L	Poisoning	Squeezed and drunk 1 coffee cup	O	F			
			L	Gastritis	Chewed and the sap is swallowed	O	F			
			L	Malaria	Squeezed and drunk 1 glass cup	O	F			
			La	Dandruff	The stem latex is painted on head	Dm	F			
			L	Cough	Squeezed and drunk 1/2 coffee cup	O	F	Sh	W	J0093
			L	Tooth infection	To treat tooth infection leaves <i>V. amygdalina</i> are chewed with bulb of <i>A. sativum</i>	O	F			
			Tw	Intestinal parasites	Pound twings & bulb of <i>A. sativum</i> with rhizome of <i>G. officinale</i> & eaten with honey.	O	F			
			Tw	Evil sprit	Root, twinge & leaves pound and fumigating & washing body	N	F			
			L	'qilleensa'	Boiling and washing body for 3 consecutive days	D	F			
<i>Withania somnifera</i> L.	Solanaceae	Uunjoo/Gizawa	L	Evil eye	Squeezed with leaves of <i>R. chalepensis</i> & drunk 1 soup spoon	O	F			
			L	Insect allergy	Crushed and tied by cloth in the area	Dm	F	Sh	W	J0094
			R	Fibril illness	Dried root inhaled nasally	N	D			
			R	Cough	Boiling with sugar and drinking as herbal tea	O	D			
<i>Vicia faba</i> L.	Fabaceae		Se	Tape worm	Seeds are soaked in water overnight and eaten for 3days	O	F	H	Hg	J0095
<i>Zingiber officinale</i> R.	Zingiberaceae	Janjabii	Rh	Gastritis	Chew with salt and swallow the sap	O	F/D			
		a	Rh	Common cold	Boil with garlic and drink decoction up on cooling	O	F/D			
			Rh	Malaria	Make a solution with garlic and Drink the concoction	O	F/D	H	Hg	J0096
			Rh	Diabetes mellitus	Boil with sugar and Drink as herbal tea	O	F/D			
			Rh	Abdominal pain	Chew and swallow the sap	O	F/D			

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