

Plant of month -SHALPARNI



Shalparni-Desmodium gangeticum

Location: Herbal Garden @ BVDU COA, Pune : Photo by Dr. N.B. Nangare
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Desmodium gangeticum

✚ Synonyms -

Vidarigandha, Sthira

- ✚ **Botanical description -** Erect undershrubs; branches angled. Leaves unifoliate; leaflets ovate-obovate, elliptic, stipules scarious. Flowers few in axillary and terminal racemes. Corolla pink or white, pods subfulcate,6-8-jointed, sparsely clothed with hooked hairs.
- ✚ **Fls. & Frts. :** Aug.-- Dec.
- ✚ **Habitat:** Common on hill slopes as undergrowth in forests
- ✚ **Part used:** Root
- ✚ **Indication:** Shoth, Kasa, Shwas, Jvara, Atisara, Chhardi, Krumi & Vrishya

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