

Ang-kot



Common Name

English : Crown plant (Madar)

Hindi : Ak

Manipuri : Ang-kot

Scientific Name

Group : Angiosperm (Dicotyledon)

Family : Asclepiadaceae

Genus : Calotropis

Species : gigantea R. Br. ex Ait.

Habit : Erect hispid shrub

Parts Used : Root, Leaf, Bark and Bud

Mode of Preparation : Fresh leaves are heated over a naked flame for abdominal pain treatment. Young floral buds, crushed for application in cases of earache. Stem cut for latex. Root is crushed with milk for decoction.

Mode of use : Fresh, Decoction and Local Application

Ingredients : Extract of aerial part of the plant possess potent analgesic effects indicating the possibility of developing the plant as the cheaper, safer and potent analgesic therapeutic agent.

Ailment Treated: Root, used as a poultice in ulcers and other skin diseases. Young floral buds juice used for earache. Root is useful in leucoderma and leprosy. Latex is applied on ringworms. Root-bark is used in dysentery. Flowers are given

in cold, cough, asthma and indigestion. Fresh root is boiled with cattle milk and the soup is taken against dog-bite.

Source: Plain, occasionally cultivated in the home gardens as decorative plant.