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A Substantial Review of *Kantaka Panchamoola*: Forbidden Drug

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ABSTRACT

The main objective of *Ayurveda* is to sustain the health of a healthy individual and to cure or treat a diseased or ill person. In *Ayurveda*, *Ahar*, *Vihar*, *Dincharya*, *Ritucharya*, *Ratricharya*, etc., are mentioned in detail. Several Ayurvedic herbs are briefly detailed to accomplish the aims or purposes of *Ayurveda*. Based on their origin, Ayurvedic medicines are mainly described as Medicines prepared from plants and designed from metal and minerals. Medicines prepared from plants are made using plant parts, i.e., Root, Stem, Flower, Fruit, Bark, Seed, Leaf, etc. In *Ayurveda*, five types of *Panchamoola* are mentioned in *Samhita*. When the root of five plants is taken together to prepare a formulation in *Ayurveda*, it is called *panchamoola*. *Kantaka Panchamoola* is one such *panchamoola* to be described in this article, Identification, Morphology, and medicinal properties of Contents of *Kantaka Panchamoola*.

Key Words *Kantaka*, *Panchamoola*, *Ayurveda*, *Shukra*, *Dushti*, *Shukra Dosha*

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INTRODUCTION

In *Charak Samhita*, *Rasayan* adhyaya of *chikitsa sthana*, five types of *Panchamoola* are mentioned¹. Acharya Charak described the word *Panchamoola* for the first time. Later on, In chapter 38th of *Sutra Sthana*, *Kantaka Panchamoola* is also defined by Acharya Charak². The contents of *Kantaka Panchamoola* are *Karmarda*, *Gokshura*, *Saireyaka*, *Shatavari*

and *Himsra*. Acharya Charak also described the medicinal properties and uses of all the contents of *Kantaka Panchamoola*. *Kantaka* means thorns and *moola* is root. All five plants of *Kantaka Panchamoola* have thorns; therefore roots of these five plants are collectively called as *Kantaka Panchamoola*. List of all the drugs in *Kantaka Panchamoola* are as mentioned in table no 1.

Table 1 List of drugs in *kantaka panchmoola*^{3,4}

Name	Botanical Name	Family	Varga (<i>Bhavaprakash</i>)	Karma
<i>Karmarda</i>	<i>Carissa carandas</i> Linn.	Apocynaceae	<i>Amradi Phala varga</i>	<i>Raktapitta shamak</i> , <i>Hridya</i> , <i>Vamak</i> , <i>Mutrajana</i>
<i>Gokshura</i>	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i> Linn.	Zygophyllaceae	<i>Guduchyadi varga</i>	<i>Mutravirechaniya</i> , <i>Shothahar</i> , <i>Vatahar</i> ,



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Saireyaka	<i>Barleria prionitis</i> Linn.	Acanthaceae	<i>Pushpa varga</i>	<i>Kesharanjaka,</i> <i>Kustha, Vatarakta,</i> <i>Vishanashak</i>
Shatavari	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd.	Liliaceae	<i>Guduchyadi varga</i>	<i>Shukravardhak,</i> <i>Rasayan, Netrya</i>
Himsra	<i>Capparis spinosa</i> Linn.	Capparidaceae		<i>Shopaghna,</i> <i>Kaphavatanashak</i>

Properties (*rasa*, *guna*, *virya*, *vipaka*) of all the drugs of *Kantaka Panchamoola* are mentioned in table no. 2

Table 2 Properties of drugs in *kantaka panchamoola*⁽⁵⁻⁸⁾

Drug	Rasa (Taste)	Guna (Property)	Virya (Potency)	Vipaka (Biotransformation)
Karmarda	Amla	<i>Guru</i> <i>Sara</i>	<i>Ushna</i>	<i>Katu</i>
Gokshura	Madhura	<i>Guru</i> <i>Snigdha</i>	<i>Sheeta</i>	<i>Madhura</i>
Saireyaka	Tikta Madhura	<i>Laghu</i>	<i>Ushna</i>	<i>Katu</i>
Shatavari	Madhura Tikta	<i>Guru</i> <i>Snigdha</i>	<i>Sheeta</i>	<i>Madhura</i>
Himsra	Tikta Katu	<i>Laghu</i> <i>Ruksha</i>	<i>Ushna</i>	<i>Katu</i>
Kantaka Panchamoola	Madhura Tikta Katu Amla	<i>Guru</i> <i>Snigdha</i> <i>Laghu</i> <i>Ruksha</i>	<i>Sheetoshna</i>	<i>Madhura</i>

DESCRIPTION OF SINGLE DRUGS

1. KARMARDA ROOT

- Synonyms - *Karonda*
- Macroscopic - Root considerably lengthy and frequently erratic. Woody, cylindrical rusty, or yellowish brown in color; 1-1.5 cm thick; surface smooth; fracture, hard; odor and taste not distinct^{9,10}.
- Pharmacological activities – Anti-inflammatory, antipyretic activity, Anti-oxidant activity, and Adaptogenic activity¹¹.



Fig. 1(a) *Carissa carandas* plant



Fig. 1(b) *Carissa carandas* root

2. GOKSHURA ROOT

- Synonyms - *Trikantaka*, *Chanadruma*, *Shvadanshtra*, *Ikshugandhika*, *Swadukantaka*.
- Macroscopic – The drug consists of the root, 7 to 18 cm long and thin, cylindrical, fibrous, stiff, woody, and 0.3 to 0.7 cm in diameter. Its color ranges from yellow to light brown. The surface is rough due to presence of small nodules; fracture fibrous; aromatic odor; sweet taste, and astringent¹².



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- Pharmacological activities - Aphrodisiac activity, Anti-inflammatory activity, Antidiabetic activity, Diuretic activity¹³.



Fig. 2(a) *Tribulus terrestris* plant



Fig. 2(b) *Tribulus terrestris* root

1. SHATAVARI ROOT

- Synonyms - *Satmuli*, *Bahu-suta*, *Atirasa*, *Satvirya*
- Macroscopic - Root tuberous, cm long and 0.2 - 0.5 cm hefty, sloping at both ends and longitudinal wrinkles; cream color; sweet taste¹⁴.
- Pharmacological activities - Anti-abortifacient, Antidiabetic activity, Diuretic activity, Immunostimulant¹⁵.



Fig. 3(a) *Asparagus racemosus* plant



Fig. 3(b) *Asparagus racemosus* root

1. SAIREYAKA ROOT

- Synonyms - *Sahchar*, *Kurantak*, *piyabansa*, *katsaraiyya*
- Macroscopic - Well developed, has lateral branches and many rootlets, cylindrical and tapering, and up to 1 cm thick at the top; surface rough due to many lenticels that resemble dots and root scars left by roots that have fallen; greyish brown exterior with thin bark with the smooth internal surface; cream-colored wood; stiff, layered fracture; odor and taste not characteristic¹⁶.
- Pharmacological activities - Antidiabetic activity, Anti-inflammatory activity, Antioxidant activity, Diuretic activity¹⁷.



Fig. 4(a) *Barleria prionitis* plant



Fig. 4(b) *Barleria prionitis* root



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HIMSRA ROOT

- Synonyms - *Gridhnakhi, Duhpragharaashaa, Kanthari, Kaakdaani.*
- Macroscopic - Root pieces are up to 5.5 cm thick; the bark is rough to tough, thick, and shows longitudinal lenticels; the freshly shattered surface is light yellowish; the wood is firm and compact; and the remnants of strong and thin rootlets are visible on the surface; color varies from pale yellow to reddish brown; no particular odor or taste¹⁸.
- Pharmacological activities - Anti-inflammatory, Diuretic, Anthelmintic activity¹⁹.



Fig. 5(a) *Capparis spinosa* plant



Fig. 5(b) *Capparis spinosa* root

List of all the pharmacological actions with evidences of all the drugs of *Kantaka Panchamoola* are mentioned in Table no 3.

Table 3 Evidence based pharmacological action

SR. NO.	NAME OF PLANTS	PHARMACOLOGIC AL ACTION	EVIDENCE
1.	<i>Carissa carandas</i> Linn.	Anti-inflammatory activity	Merai AH, Jadhav AG. Antiulcer activity of <i>Carissa carandas</i> using root extract in albino rats. <i>World J Pharm Pharm Sci.</i> 2014;3:1314-26.
		Hepatotoxicity	Sumbul S, Ahmed SI. Anti-hyperlipidemic activity of <i>Carissa carandas</i> (Auct.) leaves extract in egg yolk induced hyperlipidemic rats. <i>J Basic Appl Sci.</i> 2012;8(1):124-34. doi: 10.6000/1927-5129.2012.08.01.07.
		Antioxidant activity	Khatun M, Habib MR, Rabbi MA, Amin R, Islam MF, Nurujjaman M et al. Antioxidant, cytotoxic and antineoplastic effects of <i>Carissa carandas</i> Linn. leaves. <i>Exp Toxicol Pathol.</i> 2017;69(7):469-76. doi: 10.1016/j.etp.2017.03.008, PMID 28478952.
		Antidiarrhoeal activity	Mishra CK, Sasmal D. In-vivo evaluation of antidiarrhoeal activity of ethanolic fruit and root extracts of <i>Carissa carandas</i> . Linn. (Apocynaceae). <i>Int J Drug Dev Res.</i> 2015;7:216-21.
		Antibacterial	Ck Mishra et al. Antifungal and antibacterial activity of <i>Carissa carandas</i> Linn. <i>Int J Plant Sci.</i> 2009;4:564-8.
		Antidiabetic, inflammatory antipyretic	anti- and Anupama N, Madhumitha G, Rajesh KS. Role of dried fruits of <i>Carissa carandas</i> as anti-inflammatory agents and the analysis of phytochemical constituents by GC-MS. <i>BioMed Res Int.</i> 2014;2014:512369. doi: 10.1155/2014/512369, PMID 24877106.
2.	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i> Linn.	Aphrodisiac activity	Singh S, Nair V, Gupta YK. Evaluation of the aphrodisiac activity of <i>Tribulus terrestris</i> Linn. in sexually sluggish male albino rats. <i>J Pharmacol Pharmacother.</i> 2012;3(1):43-7. doi: 10.4103/0976-500X.92512, PMID 22368416.



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	Antibacterial activity	Al-Bayati FA, Al-Mola HF. Antibacterial and antifungal activities of different parts of <i>Tribulus terrestris</i> L. growing in Iraq. <i>J Zhejiang Univ Sci B.</i> 2008;9(2):154-9. doi: 10.1631/jzus.B0720251, PMID 18257138.
	Anticancer activity	Kim HJ, Kim JC, Min JS, Kim MJ, Kim JA, Kor MH, et al. Aqueous extract of <i>Tribulus terrestris</i> Linn induces cell growth arrest and apoptosis by down-regulating NF-κB signaling in liver cancer cells. <i>J Ethnopharmacol.</i> 2011;136(1):197-203. doi: 10.1016/j.jep.2011.04.060, PMID 21549825.
	Central nervous system (CNS) activity	Deole YS, Chavan SS, Ashok BK, Ravishankar B, Thakar AB, Chandola HM. Evaluation of antidepressant and anxiolytic activity of Rasayana Ghana tablet (a Compound Ayurvedic formulation) in albino mice. <i>Ayu.</i> 2011;32(3):375-9. doi: 10.4103/0974-8520.93918, PMID 22529654.
3.	<i>Barleria prionitis Linn.</i>	<p>Antifertility</p> <p>Verma PK, Sharma A, Joshi SC, Gupta RS, Dixit VP. Effect of isolated fractions of <i>Barleria prionitis</i> root methanolic extract on reproductive function of male rats: preliminary study [preliminary study]. <i>Fitoterapia.</i> 2005;76(5):428-32. 55. doi: 10.1016/j.fitote.2005.03.007, PMID 15964711.</p> <p>D'Cruz SC, Vaithinathan S, Jubendradass R, Mathur PP. Effects of plants and plant products on the testis. <i>Asian J Androl.</i> 2010;12(4):468-79. doi: 10.1038/aja.2010.43, PMID 20562897.</p> <p>Gupta RS, Kumar P, Dixit VP, Dobhal MP. Antifertility studies of the root extract of the <i>Barleria prionitis</i> Linn in male albino rats with special reference to testicular cell population dynamics. <i>J Ethnopharmacol.</i> 2000;70(2):111-7. doi: 10.1016/s0378-8741(99)00150-6, PMID 10771200.</p>
	Anticancer	Premjet D, Premjet S, Arthur R, Lelono A, Tachibana S. Callus induction and determination of iridoid glycosides from <i>Barleria prionitis</i> Linn leaf explants 1. <i>Australian Journal of Basic and Applied Sciences.</i> 2010;4(9):4461-7.
	Antidiabetic	Geetha M, Wahi A. Antidiabetic activity of <i>Barleria prionitis</i> Linn. <i>Journal of Natural Remedies.</i> 2001;1(1):64-6.
	Anti inflammatory	Khadse C, Kakde R. Anti-inflammatory activity of aqueous extract fractions of <i>Barleria prionitis</i> L. roots. <i>Asian J Plant Sci Res.</i> 2011;1(2):63-8.
4.	<i>Asparagus racemosus Willd.</i>	<p>Galactogogue</p> <p>Sharma S, Ramji S, Kumari S, Bapna JS. Randomized controlled trial of <i>Asparagus racemosus</i> (Shatavari) as a lactogogue in lactational inadequacy. <i>Indian Pediatr.</i> 1996;33(8):675-7. PMID 8979551.</p> <p>Anticarcinogenic</p> <p>Agrawal A, Ghosh NN, Tiwari M, Chandra R. New Delhi, India: chemistry biology interface, synergistic new frontiers; 2004. Identification and characterization of the active principles of <i>A. racemosus</i> and an evaluation of their anticarcinogenic activity in an animal model.</p> <p>Antioxidant</p> <p>Wiboonpun N, Phuwapraisirisan P, Tip-pyang S. Identification of antioxidant compound from <i>Asparagus racemosus</i>. <i>Phytother Res.</i> 2004;18(9):771-3. doi: 10.1002/ptr.1526, PMID 15478181.</p> <p>Gastroduodenal ulcer protecting activity</p> <p>Sairam K, Priyambada S, Aryya NC, Goel RK. Gastroduodenal ulcer protective activity of <i>Asparagus racemosus</i>: an experimental, biochemical and histological study. <i>J Ethnopharmacol.</i> 2003;86(1):1-10. doi: 10.1016/S0378-8741(02)00342-2.</p> <p>Immunostimulant Antihepatotoxic</p> <p>Muruganandan S, Garg H, Lal J, Suresh C, Dinesh K. Studies on the immunostimulant and antihepatotoxic activities of</p>



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			Asparagus racemosus root extract. <i>J Med Aromat Plant Sci.</i> 2001;22:49-52.
	Antitussive		Mandal SC, Kumar C K A, Mohana Lakshmi S, Sinha S, Murugesan T, Saha BP, et al. Antitussive effect of Asparagus racemosus root against sulfur dioxide-induced cough in mice. <i>Fitoterapia.</i> 2000;71(6):686-9. doi: 10.1016/s0367-326x(00)00151-9, PMID 11077176.
	Antidiarrhoeal Antiulcerogenic		Nwafor PA, Okwuasaba FK, Binda LG. Antidiarrhoeal and antiulcerogenic effects of methanolic extract of Asparagus pubescens root in rats. <i>J Ethnopharmacol.</i> 2000;72(3):421-7. doi: 10.1016/S0378-8741(00)00261-0.
	Diabetic retinopathy		Sharma S, Shrikant SahuM. Effect of shatavari on diabetic retinopathy. In: Proceedings of the international congress on Ayurveda-2000. Proceedings of the international congress on Ayurveda-2000. Chennai, India; 2000. p. 85-6.
	Antimicrobial		Mandal SC, Nandy A, Pal M, Saha BP. Evaluation of antimicrobial activity of Asparagus racemosus Willd.: root. <i>Phytother Res.</i> 2000;14(2):118-9. doi: 10.1002/(sici)1099-1573(200003)14:2<118::aid-ptr493>3.0.co;2-p, PMID 10685109.
	Immunomodulatory		Gautam M, Saha S, Bani S, Kaul A, Mishra S, Patil D, et al. Immunomodulatory activity of Asparagus racemosus on systemic Th1/Th2 immunity: implications for immunoadjuvant potential. <i>J Ethnopharmacol.</i> 2009;121(2):241-7. doi: 10.1016/j.jep.2008.10.028, PMID 19038322.
	Enhances memory and protect against amnesia		Ojha R, Sahu AN, Muruganandam AV, Singh GK, Krishnamurthy S. Asparagus racemosus enhances memory and protects against amnesia in rodent models. <i>Brain Cogn.</i> 2010;74(1):1-9. doi: 10.1016/j.bandc.2010.05.009, PMID 20594636.

5.	<i>Capparis spinosa</i> Linn. ⁽³⁰⁾	Antimicrobial	Mahboubi M, Mahboubi A. Antimicrobial activity of Capparis spinosa as its usages in traditional medicine. <i>Herba Pol.</i> 2014;60(1):39-48. doi: 10.2478/hepo-2014-0004.
		Antiinflammatory	Maresca M, Micheli L, Di Cesare Mannelli L, Tenci B, Innocenti M, Khatib M et al. Acute effect of Capparis spinosa root extracts on rat articular pain. <i>J Ethnopharmacol.</i> 2016;193:456-65. doi: 10.1016/j.jep.2016.09.032, PMID 27647009.
		Antibacterial	Boga C, Forlani L, Calienni R, Hindley T, Hochkoeppler A, Tozzi S et al. On the antibacterial activity of roots of Capparis spinosa L. <i>Nat Prod Res.</i> 2011;25(4):417-21. doi: 10.1080/14786419.2010.487189, PMID 21328135.
		Antioxidant	Al-Snafi A. The chemical constituents and pharmacological effects of capparis spinosa -an overview. <i>Indian J Pharm Sci Res.</i> 2015;5:93-100.
		Anticancer Activity	Yu L, Xie L, Ji Y. Preliminary study on apoptotic effect induced by N-butanol extract in Capparis spinosa L. on SGC-7901. In: 4th International Conference on Bioinformatics and Biomedical Engineering. Vol. 2010. IEEE Publications; 2010. p. 1-4. doi: 10.1109/ICBBE.2010.5516478.

List of chemical constituents present in roots of single drugs of *Kantaka Panchamoola* are mentioned in Table no 4.

Table 4 Chemical constituents present in roots of single drugs of *kantaka panchamoola*

SR. NO.	NAME OF PLANT	CHEMICAL CONSTITUENTS IN ROOT
1.	<i>Carissa carandas</i> Linn.	Lupeol, 16b-Hydroxybetulinic acid, Lupa-12,20(29)-dien-3b,28-diol, Ursolic acid,



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(19-26)	Urs-12-ene-3b,22b-diol, Me ursolate, α -Amyrin, Oleanolic acid, Carindone, (+)-Carissone, 1,2,4-Butanetriol, 2,3-bis[[4-dimethoxyphenyl)methyl]-,1,4-diacetate, Carinol, 4,40-Dimethylcarinol, 1,2,4-Butanetriol, 2,3-bis[[4-(acetoxy)-3-methoxyphenyl] methyl]-,1,4-diacetate, β -Sitosterol Root, Sitosterol glucoside, Cholest-5-en-3b-ol, Scopoletin, 4-Amino-1-(4-amino-2-oxo-1(2H)-pyrimidinyl)-1,4-dideoxy-b-d-glucopyranuronic acid		
2. <i>Tribulus terrestris</i> Linn. (27)	Saponin (diosgenin, tigogenin, neotigogenin, gitogenin, neogitogenin, Tribulosin; β -sitosterol-D-glucoside), Flavonoids (Flavonols; kaempferol; quercentin; isorhamnetin; 3-gentiobiosides, Quercetin flavonoids), Sterols (sitosterol, stigmasterol, and campesterol)		
3. <i>Barleria prionitis</i> Linn. ⁽²⁸⁾	Terpenoid (Pipataline, Lupeol), Phytosterols (13,14-seco-stigmasta-5,14-diene-3- β -ol, β -sitosterol), balarenone, pipataline, lupeol, prioniside A, prioniside B, prioniside C, luteolin-7-O- β -D-glucoside, β -sitosterol, scutellarein 7-neohesperidoside, apigenin 7-O-glucoside, 13, 14-seco-stigmasta-5, 14-diene-3-a-ol		
4. <i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd. ⁽²⁹⁾	Rutin, asparagan, Asparagamine A, 9,10- dihydro 1, 5 methoxy- Quercetin3 glucouronides, 8-methyl-2, 7- phenenthrenediol, Racemofuron, ncoumertans, Shatavarin V. Shatavarin I-(steroid glycosides), Immunoside, Sitosterol, Shatavari, Secoisolariciresinol, diosgenin, Racemosol, 4 trihydro isoflavine, Sterols, alkaloids, tannins, carbohydrates, flavonoids, isoflavones, cumestans, and prenylated compounds are all components of 7-O beta-D-glucopyranoside. Lactones, rutin and amino acids 4,6-Dihydroxy-2-(hydroxyl isobutyl)benzaldehyde Undecanyl Cellanoate		
5. <i>Capparis spinosa</i> Linn. ⁽³⁰⁾	Glucosinolates containing methyl, isopropyl, and set-butyl isothiocyanates, spermidine alkaloids (i.e., capparispine, cadabicine 26-O- β -D-glucoside and capparispine 26-O- β -D-glucoside), Stachydrine [32] and 3-hydroxy-7-methoxy-2-methyl-4H-1,4-benzoxazine-4-carbaldehyde		

List of all the ethnomedicinal uses of roots of all single drugs of *Kantaka Panchamoola* are mentioned in Table no 5.

Table 5 Ethnomedicinal uses of roots of all single drugs of *kantaka panchamoola*

SR. NO.	PLANT NAME	PART USED	INGREDIENTS ADDED	USE
1.	<i>Carissa Linn.</i> ^(31, 32)	<i>Carandas</i>	Root	Pulverized with lime juice, camphor, and horse urine Root plaster ----
				Used in curing itching By using it, Konkan folklorists may repel flies Used to treat stomach conditions such gas and acidity, intestinal worm infestation, diabetic ulcer, and scabies; also used as a stomachic, anthelmintic, and antiscorbutic biliousness; serves as an insect repellent; relieves pruritus; pyrexia; urinary problems; chronic ulcer; and biliousness
2.	<i>Tribulus Linn.</i> ⁽³³⁾	<i>terrestris</i>	Root	----
			Boiled with rice Paste mixed with water ----	Tonic and aperient (French) Urinary Troubles tonic and cooling medicine (Omara)
			----	Gonorrhoea (Las Bela)
			----	Rheumatism (South Africa)
			----	On wounds (Andhra Pradesh)
3.	<i>Barleria Linn.</i> ⁽²⁸⁾	<i>prionitis</i>	Root	Paste ----
				Externally applied to disperse boils and glandular swellings Diuretic and tonic, used in urinary infection, jaundice, hepatic obstruction and dropsy ----
				Stiffness of limbs, enlargement of scrotum and sciatica



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		Ash with honey	Bronchial asthma	
		Crude extract	Greying of hair, arthritis and gout	
		----	Neurological disorders like paraplegia, sciatica, also in leprosy and other skin diseases (South India)	
4.	<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd. ⁽²⁹⁾	Root	Administered as tuber infusion ---- Dry tubers grounded with milk Tuber extract, along with ginger ---- Root decoction	To the ladies after parturition To kids for a fit life and during the seizure, To kids for a fit life As expectorant For tonsils To cure intestinal worm infections
5.	<i>Capparis spinosa</i> Linn. ^(34,35)	Root	Decoction ---- ---- Paste Herbal tea	To Cure dropsy, anemia, and rheumatism Diuretic and a general body tonic. Cosmetic purpose to treat rose-colored rashes on the skin Treat swollen joints, skin rashes, and dry skin For the treatment of rheumatism and stomach and intestinal complaints

DISCUSSION

According to Acharya Sushruta, five medicinal plants are under *Kantaka Panchmoola*. These five plants bear thorns (*Kantaka*), known as *Kantaka Panchmoola*. *Moola* (Root) of these *Dravya* is used in medicinal preparations. Most of the *Dravya* of *Kantaka Panchmoola* possess *Madhura Rasa* except *Karmarda*, which keeps *Amla Rasa*, and *Himsra*, which has *Tikta Rasa*. Thus, *Rasa* of *Kantak Panchmoola* is collectively decided as *Amla*, *Madhura*, *Tikta*, and *Katu*. Some *Dravya* of *Kantak Panchmoola* possess *Ushna Virya*, and some have *Sheeta Virya*. According to *Rasapanchaka*, the pharmacological actions of *Kantak Panchmoola* are *Shothahar*, *Raktapitta Nashak*, *Shukra Vardhaka*, *Vrishya*, and *Rasayana*. Acharya Susruta describes these actions above. Also, Acharya Sushruta described *Kantaka Panchamoola* as *Shukradoshanashak*. It means *Kantaka Panchamoola* will cure all the *shukra*

dhatu dosha or improve all the semen parameters. Additionally, it is clarified that *Kantaka Panchmoola* fixes all types of *Shotha* and *Prameha*. Pharmacological activities exhibited by *Kantaka Panchmoola* are Anti-inflammatory, Anti-oxidant, Apoptogenic activity, Aphrodisiac Antidiabetic, etc.



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