

BOTANICAL NAME	:-	CUSCUTA (DODDAR)
		Cuscuta reffexa
FAMILY	:-	Convolvulaceae
LOCAL NAME	:-	Jawieh raid
HINDI NAME	:-	Amarvall



HABITS AND HABITATS :-

A parasitic climber common throughout India upto 3,000 m.

PLANTS DESCRIPTION :-

The climber consist funicular stem flowers is loosely racemose, each flower is pedicelled. Sepals is acutish, ovate-oblong, corolla is tubular, lobes minute acute, externally reflexed. Flowers are small and white coloured flowering in months of February to march.

PARTS USED :-

Whole plant.

MEDICINAL PROPERTIES AND USES :-

The plants is Hepatic, laxative, carminative and used for treating gastric ulcer.

CHEMICAL COMPOSITION:-

Plants contain amarbelin and Kaempferol, stem gave cuscutin, cuscutatin, beta-sitosterol, luteolin, bergenin and Kaempferol.

PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY :-

Grows only on suitable host plants. Some species are subject to certain plant controls in part of Australia. Propagation by seed in autumn, lodged among stems of host plant. Seeds are collected when ripe in autumn. They are then dried for use in decoctions.