#### **IPOMOEA**

**BOTANICAL NAME** :- Ipomoea digitata

FAMILY :- Convolvulaceae

LOCAL NAME :-

HINDI NAME :- Vidaari, Kshiri-vidaari

# **HABITS AND HABITATS:**

A herbaceous spreading and twining plants which is distributed throughout the tropical Indian especially in the moist region.

## PLANTS DESCRIPTION :-

A highly spreading plant with creeping stem that are retorsely covered with hairs. Leaves are ovate-cordate, 5-lobed. Flower is axillary stout peduncled, pentamerous, deep pink in the inside and lighter on the putside. Fruits is capsule, dull brown, glabrous. Seed are small.

### PARTS USED:-

Tuber.

## **MEDICINAL PROPERTIES AND USES:-**

Tuber is used as an aphrodisiac tonic in seminal disorder, urethral discharge, respiratory troubles, debility and in ocdema, hoemoptysis.

## **CHEMICAL COMPOSITION:-**

Tubers contain Taroxerol, sitosterol, palmatic, stearic and oleic acid, linoleic and linolenic acids.

### PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY:-

The plant is cultivated in a well drain, rich soil in the sun. It is cut back or thin out in spring. It is propagated by seed sown in spring at 18°C or by soft wood cutting in spring or summer. The root is harvest in autumn season and dried for used in powder, resin extraction and tinctures.