

# ETHNOVETERINARY VALUES OF SOME PLANTS USED AGAINST SNAKE BITE IN POONCH DISTRICT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR (INDIA)

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**Abstract:** Poonch district of Jammu and Kashmir state possesses a rich history and culture of tribal society which have a great wisdom of traditional knowledge with regard to medicinal plants for the treatment of their livestock. Survey was conducted from January 2009 to December 2010 for the documentation of ethno veterinary plants used for snake bite particularly to cows, Buffaloes and Horse with the help of village elders, key informants and local healers which indicated that inhabitants of the valley utilize 22 species belonging to 16 genera and 12 families. The primary objective of the study was to explore the floristic diversity and valuable folk medicinal plants because the knowledge is confined to only local healers and it is important to record this knowledge for future generations which otherwise will be lost forever. Family name, botanical name with local name in bract, parts used, method of preparation and mode of use is presented here.

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