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Marathi: Devhari

Botanical name: Ixora coccinea

Synonyms:

Family: Rubeaceae

Common name: Ixora, Jungle geranium

Description: Ixora is native to Asia and its name derives from the word 'Isvara' or Ishwara, a name variously meaning God, Supreme Being, Supreme Soul, lord, in India. It is a branched shrub, up to 1 m tall; branches hairless. Leaves are mostly stalkless, opposite deccussate, 4-8 x 1.5-6.5 cm, entire, apiculate, blunt or with a short sharp point, 8-15 pairs at lateral nerves, hairless; stipules triangular, cuspidate or awned. Flowers are borne at branch-ends, in dense corymb-like cymes, flower-cluster-stalk very short or absent; bracts about 8 mm long. Flowers are stalkless, bright scarlet, hypanthium 1-1.5 mm long, becoming hairless, teeth, about 0.5 mm long. Flower-tube is prominently long, 2.5-4.0 cm long, 1.5 mm wide, hairless, petals 8-10 x 4-5 mm, twisted in bud, throat hairless. Stamens are 4, inserted on the throat of flower-tube, filaments very short. Style protruding; stigma 1.5 mm long. Fruit is spherical, red when ripe, crowned with the sepal-cup teeth. It is a very common garden plant.

Attributes: Ras - ---- Vipak - ---- Virya - ---- Guna - ----

Medicinal uses- Action Herb- astringent, antiseptic, blood-purifier, sedative, antileucorrhoeic, antidiarrhoeal, anti-catarrhal. Used in dysmenorrhoea, haemoptysis, bronchitis. Root-astringent, antiseptic (used against scabies and other skin diseases). Flowers-prescribed in dysentery and dysmenorrhoea.