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EPARTMENT OF DRAVYAGUNA



SAPTAPARNA

Marathi: Satvin

Botanical name: Alstonia scolaris

Synonyms: Echites scholaris L., Pala scholaris (L.) Roberty

Family: Apocynaceae

Blackboard tree or Devil's tree Common name:

Large evergreen tree reaching up to height of 17 to 20 m, have bitter milky Description latex. Bark is greyish brown, rough, lenticellate. 4-7 Leaves in a whorl, coriaceous, elliptic-oblong, pale beneath. Flowers small, greenish white, spice scented. Fruits follicles, 30 – 60 cm long. Seeds papillose

with brownish hair at each end.

Attributes - : Rasa-TiktaKashayaVipaka: KatuVeerya: UshnaGuna: Laghu, Snigdha

Ulcers-Apply milky latex on ulcers. Medicinal uses:

Diarrhoea-Take powdered bark (3 teaspoon) of Devil's tree and soak in one glass boiling water for one hour. Filter and drink 2-3 times a day.

Indigestion, Gastritis, Slimy/Mucus stools-Take powdered bark (1/2 teaspoon) of Devil's tree and soak in boiling water for one hour. Filter and drink once a day.

Fever, rheumatism, scrotal hernia-Take root powder (1/4 teaspoon) in a cup of lukewarm water and drink. Joint pain, Rheumatism, ulcers-Prepare paste of its bark and apply at affected areas.