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Image Details of Economy Botany Herbarium

Barcode: CAL0000008745

Family: [SCROPHULARIACEAE](#)

Scientific Name: [Picrorhiza kurroa Royle ex Benth.](#)

Collector: [M.A. Rau](#)

Country: [India](#)

Uses: [The drug Picrorhiza is obtained from the dried rhizomes and roots which is used as a substitute or adulterant of Indian Gentian-Gentiana kurroo Royle and is having bitter tonic almost as efficacious as gentian; also considered of having cholagogue and stomachic; in large doses it is cathartic and in small doses it acts as laxative. It is beneficial in dropsy. The plant contains kutkin, picrorhizin, and other compounds.](#)