

Botanical Survey of India

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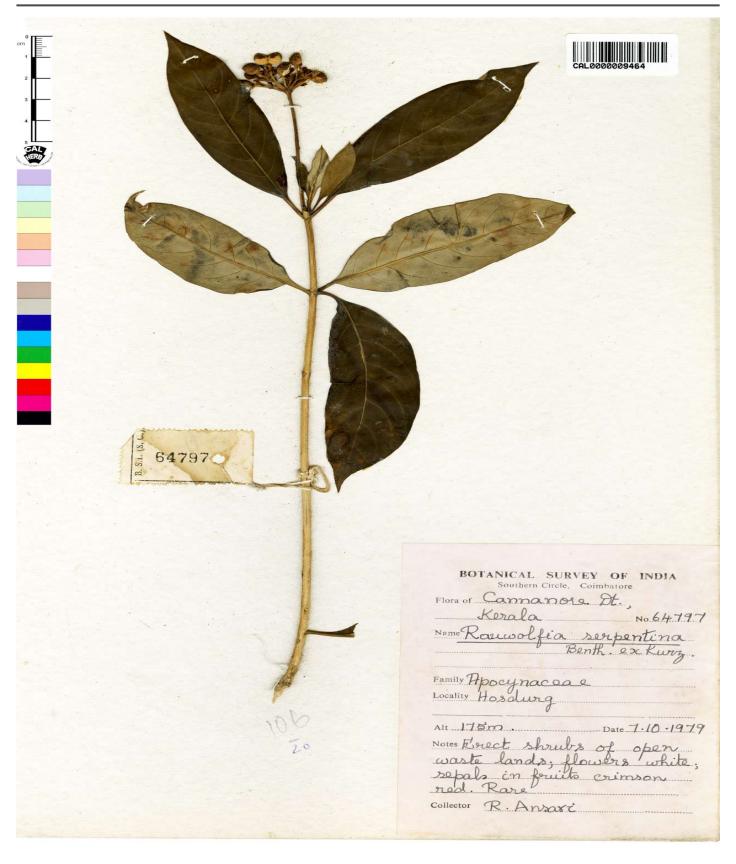


Image Details of Economy Botany Herbarium

Barcode: CAL0000009464

Family: APOCYNACEAE

Scientific Name: Rauvolfia sarpentina (L.) Benth. ex Kurz

Collector: R. Ansari

Country: India

Uses: Roots constitute the drug Rauvolfia which is used for the treatment of nervous disorders including anxiety states, excitement, maniacal behaviour associated with psychosis, schizophrenia, insanity, insomnia, and epilepsy. Extracts of the roots is used for intestinal troubles. Roots are used to stimulate uterine contraction and in cases of difficult delivery. Juice of the leaves are used for clearing the torneal opacity. Rauvolfia and its preparati