

The Economic Plants of North East India

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The North-Eastern Region of India is one of the largest centres of Genetic diversity of plants of economic importance. About 50 per cent of the total number of species of our sub-continent occur in this region. Further, the presence of large number of primitive flowering plants makes N.E. India the "Cradle of Flowering Plants". However, this region is still unexplored and informations available about these plants are rudimentary and scanty. This compendium is a small effort to give a glimpse of the richness of the plant-wealth of the region.

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The Medicinal Plants of North-East India

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The North-Eastern India is mega biodiversity area, it is also a "hot spot" area with reference to threats to biodiversity. The rare medicinal plants indiscriminately collected and endangering their survival. On the other hand, many of plants are facing danger due to over exploitation, deforestation, shifting cultivation, power and irrigation projects and unplanned management. The loss of this valuable plant wealth is a serious concern and attempts should be made to prevent their loss, therefore, the conservation of these plants need-based attention.

In this context, the present book with the collection, classification and cataloging of Medicinal Plants of North-Eastern Region is a timely contribution. This book will help to serve as a reference book for biodiversity monitoring and prospecting.

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Leafy and Edible Plants of North-East India

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The book will serve as an excellent reference source for researchers and well, as for those, engaged in conservation, bioprospecting and sustainable utilization of biodiversity.

The author has compiled information on 278 plant species of edible-leafy and other edibles (roots, rhizomes, fruits, nuts or young fonds) with fine details. All such plants are valuable functional foods, nutraceuticals or providing valuable chemicals or genes of economic or other interest.

These traditional plants may become useful raw material for pharmaceutical, cosmetic industry and in food preservation industry. If these plants are grown on large-scale and supplied to mainland, preserved and marketed both in India and abroad—tribals could earn better quality of life.

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