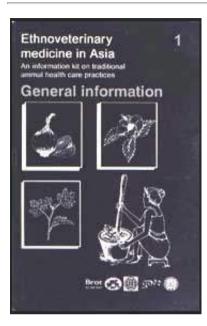
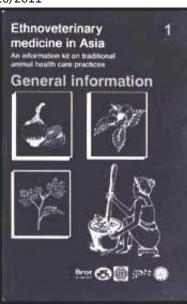
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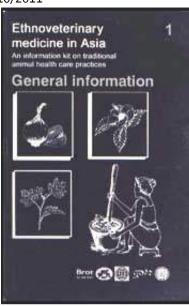




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#### Treating castration wounds

The practice of castration is very old. Castration checks unwanted breeding, prepares young male animals for draft work, fattens males for good meat production and makes the animal docile. Farmers castrate their animals using various methods. In the Philippines and in Sri Lanka, some farmers use a sterilized blade and two long forceps.



**Treating castration wounds** 

#### **Antiseptics to prevent infection**

After castration, apply any of the following remedies:

- Wash the wound with water boiled with guava leaves that has been allowed to cool. Do this for 3 consecutive days. (Philippines. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
- Chop and pound 1 to 3 mature, fresh banana leaves (depending on how big the wound is). Extract the latex by straining the chopped leaves through a clean cloth or gauze. Apply latex on the wound after the animal's wash in the early morning and the evening. Do this every day until the wound heals. (Philippines. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
- Apply 2 handfuls of hot, cooked rice to the wound. This will stop bleeding. (Philippines. 1, 2, 3, 4)
- Mix 1 part brown sugar and 1 part coconut oil and apply on the wound.

(Cambodia. 1, 2)

• Mix 1 part lime (calcium hydroxide) powder and 1 part brown sugar and apply to the wound. (Cambodia. 1, 2)

#### If swelling occurs

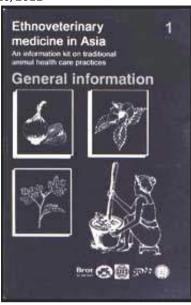
- Splash 2-3 cups clean, cold water on the swollen part 23 times a day.
   (India. 1, 2, 3, 4)
- Pound dry turmeric (Curcuma domestica) rhizome with water to make a paste. Apply on the wound till the wound heals. (India, Philippines. 1, 2)
- Crush 5-10 comfrey (Symphytum officinale) leaves. Apply to the wound. (Philippines. 1, 2, 3, 4)
- Boil a handful of neem or guava leaves in 1 liter of water for about 15 minutes. Let cool down and sprinkle on and around the wound. (India, Philippines. 1, 2, 3, 4)





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## Glossary of english and botanical names

This glossary lists plants mentioned in the manuals that are known widely by their common English name. Further information on each plant and a full list of other plants mentioned in the manuals can be found in the Glossary of medicinal plants, page 49.

## avocado Persea americana

banana Musa sp.

barley Hordeum sativum

betel Piper betle

camphor Cinnamomum camphora

cassava Manihot esculenta

castor Ricinus communis

chickpea Cicer arietinum

chilli Capsicum annum

coconut Cocos nucifera

cotton

Gossypium sp.

cowpea Vigna sinensis or Vigna unguiculata

cumin Cuminum cyminum

fennel Foeniculum vulgare

fenugreek Trigonella foenum-graecum

finger millet Eleusine coracana

garlic Allium sativum

ginger Zingiber officinale

greengram Phaseolus aureus

groundnut (peanut) Arachis hypogaea guava Psidium gunjava

hemp Cannabis sativa

horsegram **Dolichos uniflorus** 

jackfruit Artocarpus heterophyllus

lentil Lens esculenta

linseed Linum usitatissimum

maize Zea mays

mango Mangifera indica

millet Pennisetum typhoideum

mungbean

#### **Phaseolus radiatus**

mustard Brassica nigra

neem Azadirachta indica

nipa Nypa fructicans

nutmeg Myristica fragrans

onion Allium cepa

palmyra palm Borassus flabellifer

papaya Carica papaya

pepper Piper nigrum

pigeonpea Cajanus cajan pineapple Ananas sativus

pomegranate Punica granatum

rice Oryza sativa

ricebean
Phaseolus calcaratus

rosewood Dalbergia nigra

rubber Hevea brasiliensis

sandalwood Santalum album

sesame Sesamum indicum

sorghum Sorghum vulgare

soybean

### **Glycine max**

sunflower Helianthus annus

sweet potato
Ipomoea batatas

tamarind Tamarindus indica

tard Colocasia esculenta

tea Camellia sinensis

tobacco Nicotiana tabacum

turmeric Curcuma longa or Curcuma domestica

water hyacinth Eichhornia crassipes

watermelon

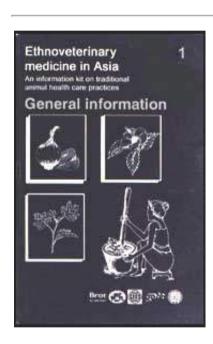
#### **Citrullus Ianatus**

### wheat Triticum aestivum





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#### Glossary of medicinal plants

This glossary lists all ethnoveterinary plants that are mentioned in the manuals. It does not include poisonous plants described in the section Poisoning in Ruminants.

The plants are ordered alphabetically by their botanical name. In addition to the botanical name, each entry provides the English name if known, the various plant Parts used and the known uses for each plant part mentioned in the manuals. The only exception is bamboo because it consists of several different genera and species. Therefore, it was not always possible to determine which genus or species was meant when farmers use "bamboo." Therefore, only the English name is given.

To make it easy for the reader to find the section in the manuals that corresponds to each use, the wording of the "known uses" closely follows or includes the headings of the chapter titles where the plants and treatments are mentioned.

In a few cases, a reference in [] is added after a specific plant part and known use. It refers to the publication which contains the scientific validation for the plant's efficacy in treating the problem in the livestock species in question (marked in the corresponding chapter and treatment with code No. 6). The complete citation of the reference appears in the section on References.

Abelmoschus esculentus Ladyfinger, Okra

Parts used Leaf, root and seed

Usage Decreased milk flow

**Booklet Ruminants** 



**Abrus precatorius Prayer beads** 

Parts used Leaf Usage Fowl pox

**Booklet Poultry** 



**Acacia arabica** 

Parts used

Bark Leaf and pod Whole plant Usage
Vaginal bleeding (Pregnancy and birthing)
Feed
Fencing (Housing)

Booklet Ruminants Ruminants Ruminants



Acacia catechu Catachu

Parts used Sap

Usage Wounds and diarrhea

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Acacia concinna

Parts used Leaf

Usage Bloat

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Acacia farnesiana

Parts used Whole plant

Usage Fencing (Housing)

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Acacia insuavis** 

Parts used Branch

Usage Diarrhea

**Booklet Poultry** 

Acacia rugata

Parts used Pod

Usage Coughs and colds

**Booklet Swine** 

Acacia spp.

Parts used

# Whole plant

Usage Fencing (Housing)

**Booklet Poultry** 

**Acorus calamus** 

Parts used Root

Usage Eye disease

**Booklet Ruminants** 



**Acorus calamus** 

## **Actinopetris fennis**

Parts used Leaf

Usage Bleeding

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Adhatoda vasica

Parts used Leaves, rhizome

# Usage Coughs and colds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Aegale marmelos Indian Bael** 

Parts used Bark, flower, fruit, leaf, root, stem Fruit

Usage Dehydration Diarrhea

**Booklet Ruminants Ruminants** 



**Aegale marmelos** 

# Albizzia myriophylla

Parts used Bark

Usage **Coughs and colds** 

**Booklet Swine** 

**Allium cepa** Onion

Parts used **Bulb** 

Usage Coughs and colds, fungus

**Booklet Poultry** 



Allium sativum Garlic

Parts used Bulb

Usage
After birth, coughs and colds, newborn's navel, wounds
Retained placenta (Breeding)
Appetizer, coughs and colds, feed, fungus, wounds

Diarrhea
Intestinal worms
Warts (Surgery)

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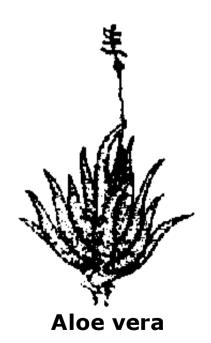
#### Aloe vera

**Aloe** 

Parts used Leaf

Usage Constipation, eye disease, pregnancy and birthing difficulties, wounds Wounds

Booklet Ruminants Poultry



Alpinia galanga Greater galangal Parts used Rhizome

Usage Appetizer, coughs and colds, fungus

**Booklet Ruminants** 



Alpinia galanga

**Alstonia scholaris** 

Parts used Bark, leaf and stem

Usage Appetizer

**Booklet Swine** 



**Amaranthus gracilis** 

Parts used Leaf

Usage Care during pregnancy (Breeding), constipation

**Booklet Swine** 

# **Amaranthus spinosus**

Parts used Leaf

Usage Care during pregnancy (Breeding), constipation

**Booklet Swine** 



**Amaranthus spinosus** 

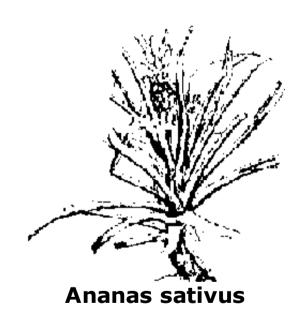
#### **Ananas sativus**

# **Pineapple**

Parts used Fruit wastes

Usage Feed

**Booklet Ruminants** 



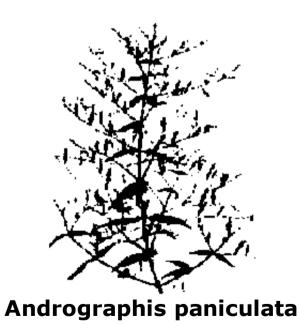
**Andrographis paniculata Bitters** 

Parts used Stem

Juice Whole plant

Usage Diarrhea Newcastle disease (Infectious diseases) Coughs and colds

Booklet Poultry Poultry Poultry



Andropogon annulatus Marvel grass Parts used Leaf

Usage Decreased milk flow

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Andropogon citrates See Cymbopogon citratus** 

Annona muricata Sour sop

Parts used Seed Leaves

Usage Lice Foot rot, wound.

Booklet Swine Ruminants



**Annona muricata** 

### **Annona reticulata**

Parts used Seed

**Usage** Lice

**Booklet Swine** 

**Annona squamosa** Sugar apple, custard apple, sweet sop

**Parts used Fruit** 

Leaf Seed

Usage
Wounds
Bleeding, foot rot, wounds
Eye, disease, internal parasites
Lice, scabies
Tick and lice
Wounds

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Swine
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Arachis hypogaea Ground nut, peanut

Parts used Seed

Usage After birth Feed Decreased milk flow

Booklet Ruminants Poultry, ruminants and swine Ruminants



**Arachis hypogaea** 

Areca catechu Betel nut

Part used Nut

Usage Internal parasites Intestinal worms Liverflukes

Booklet Ruminants, swine Poultry

#### **Ruminants**



Aristolochia bracteata Worm killer

Parts used Leaf

Usage

**Constipation, internal parasites** 

# **Booklet Ruminants**

### **Artemisia vulgaris**

Parts used Leaf Root and stem

Usage Internal parasites, scabies Scabies

Booklet Swine Swine



Artocarpus heterophyllus Jack fruit

Parts used Leaf and fruit

Usage After birth, feed, wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 



**Artocarpus heterophyllus** 

Azadirachta indica Neem tree

Parts used Bark Leaf Seed Whole plant

Usage
Diarrhea, ticks and lice, wounds
Abscesses (Surgery), castration wound
Bleeding, feed, fever, foot rot, lice, udder infection, wounds
Wounds
Ticks

### **Insect repellent (Housing)**

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**Azadirachta indica** 

#### **Azima tetracantha**

Parts used Root or leaf

### **Usage**

**Diarrhea** 

**Booklet Poultry** 

Bamboo (Bambusa sp. and other genera)

Parts used Leaf, shoot Stem

Usage Retained placenta (Pregnancy and birthing), feed (After birth) Housing

Booklet Ruminants Poultry, ruminants, swine



Barleria lupulina Mahua

Parts used Leaf

Usage Snake bite

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Bassia latifolia** 

#### **Indian butter tree**

Parts used Flower

Usage Feed (After birth)

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Berberis aristata** 

Parts used Leaf, stem

Usage Eye disease

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Bixa orellana

Parts used Seed

**Usage** 

#### **Intestinal worms**

**Booklet Poultry** 



#### Blumea balsamifera

Parts used Leaf

Usage Fever

**Booklet Swine** 



Blumea balsamifera

**Boerhaavia diffusa** 

Parts used Whole plant

Usage Difficulty in urinating

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Borassus flabellifer Palmyra tree** 

Parts used Flower

Leaf, wood

Usage Bleeding Housing

Booklet Ruminants Ruminants, swine

**Brassica integrifolia** 

Parts used Seed

Usage Coughs and colds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Brassica nigra or juncea Mustard

Parts used Seed

Usage

Appetizer
Feed, ticks and lice
Sprains

Booklet Swine Poultry Ruminants

**Breynia patens** 

Parts used Bark, leaf

Usage Decreased milk flow

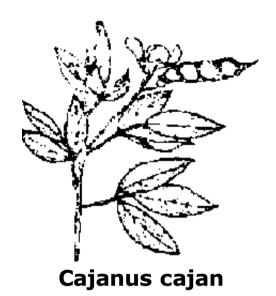
**Booklet Ruminants** 

Cajanus cajan Pigeon pea

Parts used Leaf and pod

Usage Feed

## **Booklet Ruminants and swine**



Calendula officinalis Calendula

Parts used Flower, leaf and petal

Usage Warts (Surgery)

**Booklet General information** 

**Camellia sinensis** 

Tea

Parts used Leaf

Usage Bleeding, dehydration, diarrhea, poisoning Eye disease

**Booklet Ruminants Swine** 



Cannabis sativa Hemp

Parts used

Stalk

Usage Housing

**Booklet Ruminants** 



# **Capsicum annum or frutescens Chilli**

Parts used Fruit, seed

Usage Appetizer

#### Fowl pox

Booklet Ruminants, poultry Poultry



**Capsicum annum or frutescens** 

Careya sphaerica

Parts used Bark

Usage Dehydration, wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

### Carica papaya Papaya

Parts used
Fruit
Leaf
Latex of fruit or stem
Seed
Latex of trunk, fruit and leaf

Usage
Constipation
Intestinal worms
After birth
Intestinal worms
Internal parasites
Warts (Surgery)

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Cassia alata Ringworm bush

Parts used Leaf Stem, bark, fruit

Usage Scabies Fungus infection Scabies

Booklet Swine, ruminants Ruminants Swine



#### **Cassia siamea**

Parts used Leaf

Usage Appetizer

**Booklet Ruminants** 



Cassia siamea

**Cassia tora** 

Parts used Leaf, seed

Usage **Fungus** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Centrosema spp.

Parts used Leaf

Usage Feed

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Chromolaena odorata

Parts used Leaf

Usage Wounds

**Booklet Swine** 

**Chrysanthemum indicum Chrysanthemum** 

Parts used Leaf

**Usage Scabies** 

**Booklet Swine** 



Chrysophyllum cainito Star apple

Parts used Leaf

Usage Diarrhea, foot rot, internal parasites, wounds Diarrhea

Booklet Ruminants Swine



Cicer arietinum Chick pea

Parts used Seed hulls

Usage Feed

**Booklet Ruminants** 



**Cinnamomum camphora Camphor** 

Parts used Wood

Usage Coughs and colds

**Booklet Ruminants** 



Cissampelos pareira Velvet leaf

Parts used Leaf

**Usage Fractures (Surgery)** 

**Booklet General information** 

**Citrullus lanatus Watermelon** 

Parts used Rind of fruit

Usage Water source (Feeding)

**Booklet Swine** 



**Citrus acida** 

Parts used Bark Usage Ticks and lice

**Booklet Poultry** 

Citrus bergamia Lemon

**Parts used Fruit** 

Usage Sprains

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Citrus madurensis

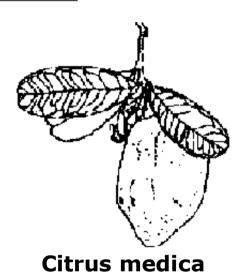
Parts used Leaf

Usage Fever

**Booklet Swine** 

#### Citrus medica Citron tree

Parts used Usage		Booklet	
Leaf	Fever	Swine	
	Coughs and colds	Ruminants	



### **Coccinia grandis**

Parts used Leaf

Usage Eye disease

**Booklet** 

### **Ruminants**

# **Cocos nucifera Coconut**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Husk	Lice, diarrhea Scabies, fungus	Swine Ruminants
Leaf	Housing	Ruminants, swine
Meat	Appetizers	Ruminants
	Feed	Swine, poultry
	Internal parasites	Swine
Oil	Castration wounds	General information
	Constipation, scabies, ticks	Ruminants
	Scabies, udder infection, diarrhea	Swine
	Wounds	Poultry
Shell	Diarrhea	Ruminants, swine
	Lice, scabies	Swine
Water	Appetizer	Ruminants, poultry
	Diarrhea	Swine
	Diarrhea, dehydration	Ruminants
	Eye disease, poisoning	Ruminants, swine
	Heat stress	Poultry
Wood	Housina	Poultry



Colocasia esculenta Taro

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Feed	Ruminants
Corm	Feed	Swine



**Couroupita guianensis Cannon-ball tree** 

Parts used **Fruit** 

**Usage** To stimulate heat

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Crataeva nurvala

Parts used

### Whole plant

Usage Difficulty in urinating

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Crotolaria juncea Sun hemp

Parts used Fresh leaves

Usage Feed (After birth)

**Booklet Ruminants** 



Crotolaria juncea

**Cuminum cyminum Cumin** 

Parts used Seed (dried)

Usage After birth, diarrhea

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Curcuma longa or domestica Turmeric** 

Parts Usage Booklet

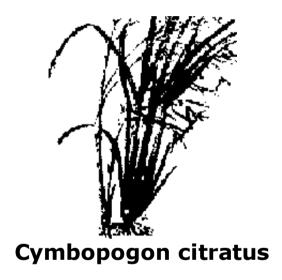
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	Fungal diseases, diarrhea, intestinal worms, feed	Poultry
	Ticks, constipation, udder infection, bleeding, eye disease, sprains	Ruminants
	Wounds	Ruminants, swine, poultry
Whole plant	Cough and colds, sprains	Ruminants
	Swine pox	Swine



**Curcuma longa or domestica** 

### Cymbopogon citratus Lemon grass

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Ticks, lice and mites	Poultry
	Sprains	Ruminants



# **Cynodon dactylon Bermuda grass**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Grass stalk	Bleeding	Ruminants
Leaf	Bleeding, wounds, decreased milk flow	Ruminants

### Dalbergia nigra

#### Rosewood

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Wood	Housing	Ruminants

#### **Desmodium triflorum**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Eye sidease	Ruminants

Dioscorea alata Yam

Parts used Tuber

Usage Feed

**Booklet Swine** 



Dioscorea alata

Dioscorea esculenta Tugui

**Parts used Tuber** 

Usage **Feed** 

**Booklet Swine** 



## **Diospyros ebenum**

Parts used Leaf

Usage **Ticks and lice** 

**Booklet Poultry** 

## **Diospyros mollis**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Fruit	Cough and colds	Swine
	Internal parasites	Swine, ruminants

#### **Dolichos uniflorus Horsegram**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	Feed	Poultry
	After birth	Ruminants

**Dolichos catjung See Vigna unguiculata** 

**Eichhornia crassipes Water hyacinth** 

Parts used Leaf

Usage Feed

**Booklet Swine** 

Eleusine coracana Finger millet Parts used Seed

Usage After birth

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Embelia ribes** 

Parts used Fruit

Usage Bloat

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Erythrina indica** 

Parts used Leaf

Usage Cough and colds

## **Booklet Ruminants**

# **Eucalyptus globulus Eucalyptus**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Fever, sprains	Ruminants
	Wounds	Poultry
Whole plant	Insect repellent	Ruminants
		(Housing)

## **Eugenia caryophyllus Clove**

Parts used Root clove and bark

Usage Diarrhea

**Booklet Swine** 



**Eugenia caryophyllus** 

Eugenia jambolana Jambul or black plum

Parts used **Bark** 

**Usage Bleeding** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Eupatorium odoratum** 

Parts used

Usage

Booklet

Leaf	Bleeding, wounds	Ruminants
	Wounds	Swine
Whole plant	Foot rot Ruminants	

## **Euphorbia hirta**

Parts used Latex from stem

Usage Eye disease



#### **Euphorbia hirta**

**Euphorbia neriifolia Common milk hedge** 

Parts used Latex

Usage Fractures and warts (Surgery)

**Booklet General information** 



Euphorbia neriifolia

Ferula assa-foetida Asafoetida Parts used Resin

Usage Bloat, after birth

**Booklet Ruminants** 

#### Ficus bengalensis Banyan tree

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Bark	Bleeding	Ruminants
Latex	Wounds	Ruminants, poultry
Leaf	Feed	Ruminants

Ficus hauili

Parts used Bark

Usage Wounds

#### Ficus minahassae

Parts used Leaf

Usage Udder infection

**Booklet Swine** 

Ficus racemosa

Parts used Leaf

Usage Sprains

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Foeniculum vulgare Fennel

Parts used Seed

Usage Appetizer, after birth

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Fumaria officinalis** 

Parts used Leaf

Usage Udder infection

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Gardenia gummifera** 

Parts used Resin

**Usage Bloat** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Gardenia jasminoides** 

#### **Gardenia**

Parts used Stem

**Usage** Fever

**Booklet Ruminants** 



## **Gaultheria fragrantissima**

Parts used Leaf

Usage Sprains **Booklet Ruminants** 

**Gmelina** arborea

**Parts used Leaf** 

Usage Coughs and colds

**Booklet Ruminants** 



#### Gliricidia septum Gliricidia

Parts used Usage Booklet

Bark and root	Scabies, sprains	Swine
Leaf	Lice	Swine
	Feed scabies	Ruminants. swine



Gliricidia septum

# Glycine max Soy bean

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	After birth	Ruminants
	Constipation, sprains	Swine
	Feed	Poultry, swine, ruminants



**Glycine max** 

## Glycyrrhiza glabra Liquorice

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Stem	Wounds	Ruminants
Whole plant	Coughs and colds	Ruminants

#### Gossypium sp. **Cotton**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Retained placenta	Swine
	(Breeding)	

Seed	Decreased milk flow	Ruminants
	Feed	Poultry, ruminants



Gossypium sp.

**Helianthus annus Sunflower** 

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed

**Booklet Poultry, ruminants** 



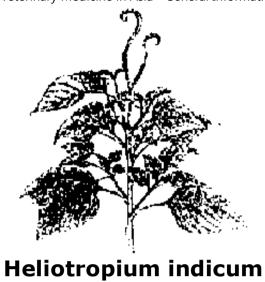
**Helianthus annus** 

Heliotropium indicum Indian heliotrope

Parts used Mature leaf

Usage Coughs and colds

**Booklet [Reference] Poultry [Fernandez, 1990]** 



Hevea brasiliensis Rubber

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed



Hibiscus rosa-sinensis Hibiscus

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Flower	Fever	Swine
	Wound	Ruminants
Leaf	Sprains, wound	Ruminants
	Fever	Swine



**Hibiscus rosa-sinensis** 

## Holarrhena antidysenterica

Parts used Seed and bark

Usage Diarrhea



Holarrhena antidysenterica

**Hordeum sativum Barley** 

**Parts used** Grain

**Usage Feed** 

**Booklet Poultry** 

Hoya ovalifolia

Parts used Leaf

Usage Sprains

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Hyoscyamus niger Black or common henbane

Parts used Whole plant

Usage Difficulty in urinating



Imperata cylindrica Cogon grass

Parts used Leaf

Usage Housing

**Booklet Ruminants, swine** 



Imperata cylindrica

**Ipomea aquatica** Swamp cabbage, water spinach

Parts used **Leaf and stem** 

**Usage Care during pregnancy (Breeding)** 

**Booklet Swine** 



**Ipomea aquatica** 

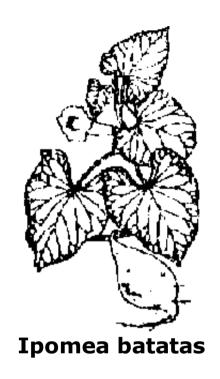
Ipomea batatas Sweet potato

Parts used Leaf Leaf and stem Root

Usage
Appetizer, constipation
Feed
Care during pregnancy (Breeding)
Feed

**Booklet Swine** 

#### Swine and poultry Swine Swine



**Jatropha curcas** 

Parts used Leaf

Usage Bleeding



Jasminum sambac Arabian jasmine

Parts used Flower Whole plant

Usage Eye disease Ticks and lice

Booklet Ruminants Poultry



Lagerstroemia speciosa Banaba

**Parts used** Leaf

Usage **Wounds** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

**Lansium domesticum** 

Parts used Seed

Usage Intestinal worms

**Booklet Poultry** 



Launaea pinnatifida Pathri grass

Parts used Leaf

Usage

#### **Decreased milk flow**

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Lawsonia inermis Henna

Parts used Leaf

**Usage Constipation** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Lens esculenta Lentil

Parts used Husk

Usage Decreased milk flow, feed

#### Leucaena leucocephala

Parts used Leaf Seed

Usage Feed Internal parasites

Booklet Ruminants, swine, poultry Swine



#### Leptadenia reticulata

Parts used Bark Leaf Whole plant

Usage
Decreased milk flow
Decreased milk flow, feed (After birth)
Eye disease
Decreased milk flow, antiabortion, to stimulate heat

Booklet Ruminants Ruminants Swine Ruminants

Linum usitatissimum Linseed

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed Poisoning, constipation retained placenta Booklet Poultry Ruminants

Litsea sabifera

Parts used Leaf

Usage Udder infection

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Mangifera indica Mango

Parts used Bark Peel, kernel, leaf, fruit pulp

Usage Bleeding Feed (After birth)

#### **Ruminants**



Manihot esculenta Cassava

Parts used Leaf Root

Usage Feed (After birth) Feed

Booklet Ruminants Ruminants, swine



**Manihot esculenta** 

Marantha arudinacea Arrowroot

Parts used Root

Usage Feed

**Booklet Swine** 

Melia azedarach Persian lilac or common bead tree

Parts used Leaves

Usage Scabies

# **Booklet Ruminants**



Mentha arvensis Japanese mint

Parts used Leaf

Usage Sprains

**Booklet Ruminants** 

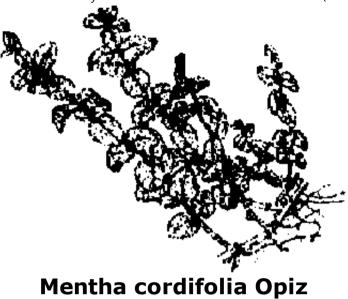


Mentha cordifolia Opiz **Marsh mint** 

Parts used Leaves

Usage **Abscesses (Surgery)** 

**Booklet General information** 



Mentha piperita Pepper mint

Parts used Leaf

Usage Abscesses (Surgery) Sprains

Booklet General information Ruminants

Mimosa pudica

### **Sensitive plant Touch-me-not**

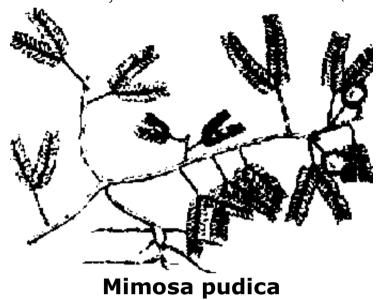
Parts used Bark

Leaf

**Root** 

Usage
Sprains
Internal parasites
Sprains
Castration wounds pain (Surgery)

Booklet [Reference]
Swine
Ruminants
Swine [Tan 1981]
General information



# Mimusops elonga

Parts used Seeds

Usage Cough and colds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Mitragyna speciosa

Parts used Leaves

Usage Dehydration

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Michelia champaca

Parts used Bark

Usage Wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Momordica charantia Bitter gourd

Parts used Leaf Fruit and root

Usage Anemia Internal parasites Diarrhea Booklet [Reference]
Swine [Micu and Mateo 1986]
Swine
Ruminants



Morinda citrifolia Indian mulberry

Parts used Fruit Leaf

**Usage Internal parasites** 

## **Appetizer**

**Booklet Ruminants Ruminants** 



Moringa oleifera Horseradish tree or drumstick

Parts used Leaf Stem bark Seed

Usage Anemia, feed Wounds, cough and colds, after birth Coughs and colds Internal parasites

Booklet [Reference]
Swine [Micu and Mateo 1986]
Ruminants
Ruminants
Swine

Mucuna pruriens Cow-witch

Parts used Seed

Usage To stimulate heat

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Murraya koenigii Curry - leaf tree

Parts used Leaf Usage Appetizer

**Booklet Poultry** 

Musa sp. Banana

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Blossom	Constipation	Ruminants
Fruit	Bleeding, foot-and- mouth disease (Infectious diseases), udder infection	Ruminants
Latex	Castration wounds	General information
Leaf	Bedding (Breeding, care of newborn), wounds	Swine
	Bloat, constipation, housing	Ruminants
Stem	Fungus	Ruminants
Trunk	Water source (Feeding)	Swine

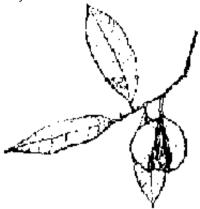


Myristica fragrans Nutmeg

Parts used Fruit

Usage Diarrhea

**Booklet Poultry** 



**Myristica fragrans** 

Nephelium lappaceum Rambutan

Parts used Leaf, bark

Usage Fever

**Booklet Ruminants** 



**Nephelium lappaceum** 

Nicotiana tabacum Tobacco

Parts used Leaf

Usage Ticks and lice Ticks, wounds Udder infection

Booklet Poultry Ruminants Swine



Nicotiana tabacum

Nigella sativa Black cummin

Parts used Seeds

Usage
Decreased milk flow
Retained placenta
(Pregnancy and birthing)

Booklet Ruminants Ruminants

Nypa fructicans Nipa Parts used Leaf

Usage Housing

**Booklet Ruminants, swine** 

Ochna serrulata

Parts used Root

Usage Snake bite

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Ocimum sanctum Holy basil

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Bleeding, coughs and colds, eye disease, udder infection, wounds	Ruminants
	Coughs and colds, ticks and lice	Poultry
	Mosquito control	Poultry

(Infectious discuses)	,
Mosquito control	Ruminants
(Housing)	



## Ocimum basilicum Sweet basil

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Bleeding, cough and colds, udder infection	Ruminants
Pulp	Bleeding	Ruminants



Odina wodier Besharam

Parts used Leaf

**Usage Abscesses (Surgery)** 

**Booklet General information** 

**Orthosiphon spicata** 

**Parts used** 

#### Leaf

# Usage Difficulty in urinating

# **Booklet Ruminants**

## Oryza sativa Rice

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Bran	Decreased milk flow (After birth)	Ruminants
	Feed	Ruminants, swine
Seed	Appetizer, decreased milk flow, dehydration, snakebite, wounds	Ruminants
	Care during pregnancy	Swine
	Castration wounds	General information
	Coughs and colds	Poultry
	Diarrhea	Poultry, swine
	Feed	Poultry, ruminants
Ctraw	Radding (Housing)	Duminante

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		poultry
	Bedding (Care of newborn)	Swine
	Feed	Ruminants



### **Panicum isachne**

Parts used Leaf

Usage Decreased milk flow

### **Booklet**

#### **Ruminants**

Papaver somniferum Poppy

Parts used Fruit gum

Usage Diarrhea

**Booklet Swine** 



#### **Pathos secundes**

Parts used Whole plant

Usage Sprains

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Pavetta indica

Parts used Whole plant

Usage Difficulty in urinating

**Booklet Ruminants** 

#### **Pedalium maurex**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf, stem, fruit	After birth	Ruminants
Bark	Retained placenta	Ruminants
	(Pregnancy and birthing)	

# Pennisetum typhoideum Millet

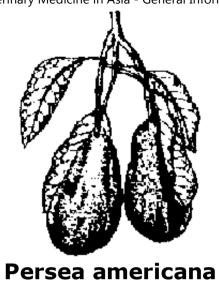
Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed, straw	Feed	Ruminants
Seed	Feed	Poultry
	After birth	Ruminants

### Persea americana Avocado

Parts used Leaf

Usage Wounds, foot rot

**Booklet Ruminants** 



**Peucadenum graveolens** 

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	Appetizer	Swine
	Bloat	Ruminants
	Retained placenta (Pregnancy and birthing)	Ruminants

Phaseolus aureus Green gram

Parts used Bean

Usage

**Feed** 

**Booklet Poultry** 

**Phaseolus calcaratus Rice bean** 

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed

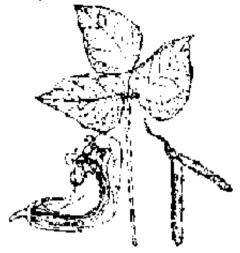
**Booklet Ruminants** 

Phaseolus mungo Black gram

Parts used Bean

**Usage** Feed

**Booklet Poultry** 



**Phaseolus mungo** 

Phaseolus radiatus Mung bean

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed

**Booklet Ruminants, swine, poultry** 

**Phyllanthus emblica** 

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Fruit	Appetizer	Ruminants

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Seed	Wounds	Ruminants

## Picrorrhiza kurrooa

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Root	Appetizer	Swine
	Fever	Swine, ruminants

# Piper betle Betel pepper

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Abscesses, warts	General information
	(Surgery)	
	Eye disease	Ruminants
	Housing, retained placenta (Breeding), udder infection	Swine



## Piper nigrum **Black pepper**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	After birth, coughs and colds, decreased milk flow	Ruminants
	Fowl pax	Poultry
	Retained placenta	Swine
	(Breeding)	



**Piper nigrum** 

Plumbago zeylanica **Ceylon leadwort** 

Parts used **Bark** 

**Usage Bleeding** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Plumeria acuminata **Temple flower** 

Parts used Leaf, bark

Usage Internal parasites

**Booklet Swine** 

Pongomia glabra

Parts used Seed

Usage Wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Premna odorata Alagau

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Ticks and lice	Poultry
	Lice	Swine



Premna odorata

## Psidium guajava Guava

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Castration wounds	General information
	Retained placenta	Ruminants
	(Pregnancy and birthing)	
	Udder infection, diarrhea	Swine, ruminants
	Wounds	Swine



### **Pterocarpus macrocarpus**

Parts used Bark

Usage Foot rot, wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Pterocarpus santalinus Red Sanderswood

Parts used Usage Booklet

Wood	Abscesses (Surgery)	General information

## Punica granatum Pomegranate

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Bark	Intestinal worms	Poultry
Fruit	Intestinal worms	Poultry
	Eye disease	Swine
Leaf	Eye disease	Ruminants
	Diarrhea	Swine
Root	Internal parasites	Ruminants
Stem	Diarrhea	Swine



**Punica granatum** 

## **Quisqualis indica**

Parts used Leaf and seed

Usage Intestinal worms

**Booklet Poultry** 



# **Ricinus communis Castor**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Feed (After birth)	Ruminants

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Seed (oil)	Bloat Ruminants	
	Constipation	Swine and ruminants



# Saccharum officinarum Sugar cane

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Juice from stem	Decreased milk flow	Ruminants
Leaves or juice from stem	Difficulty in urinating	Ruminants
Stalk, top, molasses	Feed	Ruminants



**Saccharum officinarum** 

Sansevieria sp.

Parts used **Root** 

Usage **Snake bite** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Santalum album **Sandalwood** 

Parts used Wood

Usage Wounds

**Booklet Swine** 

**Sapindus rarak** 

Parts used Fruit

Usage Eye disease

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Saraca indica Ashoka tree

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Bark	Bleeding	Ruminants
	Retained placenta	Ruminants
	(Pregnancy and birthing)	

#### **Sauropus androgynus Katuk**

Parts used Leaf

Usage After birth

**Booklet Ruminants** 

#### Semen nelumbinis Lotus

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	Breeding	Swine
	Nutrition	Piglet

#### **Sesamum indicum Sesame**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	Constipation	Swine
	Feed	Poultry, ruminants

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		Ruminants
	(Pregnancy and birthing)	
	Wounds	Ruminants



# Sesbania aegyptiaca

Parts used Seed and bark

Usage Diarrhea

#### **Booklet**

#### **Poultry**

Sesbania grandiflora Katurai

Parts used Bark

Usage Dehydration, wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Sida cordiofolia Country mallow

Parts used Whole plant

Usage To stimulate heat

Booklet Ruminants

**Sorghum vulgare Sorghum** 

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed, after birth

**Booklet Ruminants** 

# Spondias pinnata or Spondias mangifera Indian wild mango

Parts used	Usage	Booklet [Reference]
Leaf	Abscesses (Surgery)	General information
	Coughs and colds	Poultry [Fernandez, 1990]
	Tapeworm	Swine
Whole plant	Wounds	Swine



Spondias pinnata or Spondias mangifera

# Stachyta jamaicensis

Parts used Leaf

Usage Udder infection

**Booklet Swine** 

Sterculia foetida Wild almond

Parts used Pod

Usage Eye disease

**Booklet Swine** 

#### **Swertia chirata**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Whole plant	Appetizer, fever	Swine
	Fever	Ruminants

# **Symphytum officinale Comfrey**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf	Castration wounds	General information
	Fractures (Surgery)	General information
	Sprains	Ruminants



## Tamarindus indica Tamarind

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Bark	Internal parasites	Swine
Fruit	Appetizer, bloat, fever, internal parasites	Ruminants
	Constipation	Ruminants, swine
	Cough and colds	Swine
Leaves	Fever, cough and colds	Ruminants
	Fractures (Surgery)	General information
	Internal parasites	Swine



**Tamarindus indica** 

# **Tectona grandis Teak**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Leaf, bark	Poisoning	Ruminants
Wood	Housing	Ruminants

# Terminalia arjuna

Parts used Bark

## Usage

#### **Bleeding**

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Terminalia belerica

Parts used Seed

Usage Wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

#### Terminalia chebula

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Fruit	Appetizer, bloat	Ruminants
Seed	Wounds	Ruminants



## Thunbergia laurifolia

**Parts used Root** 

Usage **Poisoning** 

**Booklet Ruminants** 

## Tinospora spp.

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Whole plant	Scabies	Swine
Vine	Appetizer, internal parasites	Ruminants

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Diarrhea	Poultry

### Trachyspermum ami Bishop's weed

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed	Appetizer	Swine
	Diarrhea, bloat, appetizer	Ruminants
	Retained placenta	Ruminants
	(Pregnancy and birthing), after birth	

#### **Tribulus terrestis**

Parts used Whole plant

Usage Difficulty in urinating

**Booklet Ruminants** 

## Trigonella foenum-graecum Fenugreek

	Usage	Booklet
Parts used	33 <b>g</b> c	

Leat Foot-and-mouth disease (Infectious diseases)		Ruminants
Seed Appetizer		Swine
	Coughs and colds, coryza	Poultry
	Diarrhea	Ruminants, poultry
	Retained placenta(Pregnancy and birthing), after birth	Ruminants

# **Triticum aestivum Wheat**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Bran	Feed	Ruminants
Seed	Decreased milk flow (After birth)	Ruminants
	Diarrhea	Poultry
	Feed	Ruminants, poultry
Straw	Bedding (Housing)	Ruminants

#### Veronica anthelmintica

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Seed, leaf, whole plant	Appetizer	Swine
Seed	Diarrhea	Ruminants

### Vigna sinensis or unguiculata Cowpea

Parts used Seed

Usage Feed

**Booklet Ruminants, poultry** 



Vigna sinensis or unguiculata

Vitex negundo Five-leaved chastetree



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	Leaf	Sprains, fever	Ruminants
		Wounds, ticks and lice	Poultry



# Withania somnifera Winter cherry

Parts used Root

Usage Decreased milk flow

**Booklet Ruminants** 

# Xylia kerii

Parts used Bark

Usage Dehydration, wounds

**Booklet Ruminants** 

Zea mays Maize

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Grain	Feed	Swine, poultry
Straw, seed	feed	Ruminants



**Zea mays** 

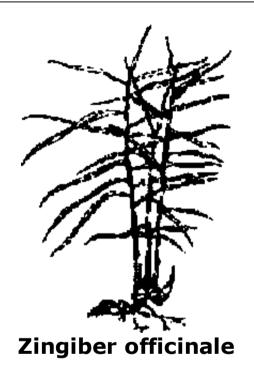
# Zingiber cassumunar **Common ginger**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Rhizome	Diarrhea	Swine
	Internal parasites	Ruminants

# Zingiber officinale **Ginger**

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Rhizome	Appetizer, coughs and colds	Poultry, ruminants

	Appetizer, eye disease, retained placenta (Breeding)	Swine
II	Bloat, diarrhea, retained placenta (Pregnancy and birthing), sprains	Ruminants



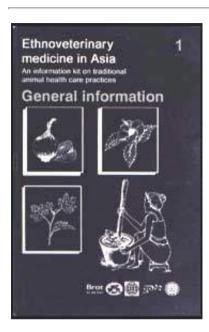
# Zingiber zerumbet

Parts used	Usage	Booklet
Rhizome	Coughs and colds	Ruminants
Rhizome	Diarrhea	Swine





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#### **Ethnoveterinary question list**

If you work on livestock production in villages, it is important to know and understand local animal health care practices. Here is a list of questions to ask livestock raisers when recording information on ethnoveterinary medicine. The questions are for guidance only; they should be adapted to local conditions and the situation of each livestock raiser.

#### **Background information**

- Who in the household is responsible for, manages, or treats sick animals?
- What are the local seasons of the year? How do they affect livestock diseases?
- What species of livestock are kept? What breed, age or other categories are considered relevant for animal health?

#### **Disease names**

- Elicit the names of all livestock diseases in the area, by species, seasons and other locally relevant variables.
- Cross-check all terms for duplications, overlaps, confusions and omissions.
- Decide which diseases warrant further investigation in the question list below.

#### The question list

Ask these questions for each disease you have identified above.

1. What species, breeds, ages and sexes of animals are affected by this

#### disease?

- 2. Is there seasonality or other timing to the appearance of the disease?
- 3. Does it usually affect one animal or a group of animals at the same time? Does it spread from animal to animal (i.e., is it contagious or infectious)?
- 4. What causes the disease natural/physical causes, supernatural/non-physical causes, or both? Describe.
- 5. Are there ways to prevent/avoid this disease? If so, what are they?
- 6. Describe the main symptoms, if possible, in order of progression and timing, i.e., what is the first symptom seen and when? What is the second symptom seen and when? etc. Also, what is the symptom, if any, that makes you decide it is this specific disease?
- 7. Are traditional treatments available? What are they? Where/how are they obtained? What happens when they are used? (Please be as specific as possible.)
- 8. Are modern treatments available? What are they? Where/how are they obtained? What happens when they are used? (Please be as specific as possible.)
- 9. What usually happens if the animal is not treated?
- 10. When did you last have (or for areas with few livestock per household,

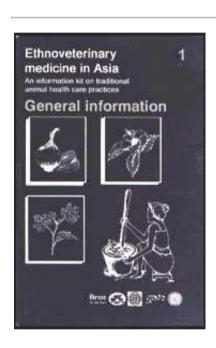
# hear of) an animal with this disease? What did you do and what happened to the animal?

Source: Based on Grandin and Young (forthcoming).





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#### **Glossary of technical terms**

These manuals avoid using technical terms if at all possible. Sometimes, however, using a technical word is unavoidable. This glossary contains such words and other terms found in books on veterinary medicine.

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Abortifacient. Causes abortion or miscarriage.

Abscess. A collection of pus in the tissue.

Acaricide. Chemical used for tick (external parasite) control.

Active principle. Ingredient or the chemical component of a crude drug which has a therapeutic effect.

Acute. Condition which is critical, sudden and of short duration.

After birth. Placenta and other membranes expelled after birth.

Allergen. Substance capable of inducing an allergic response.

Allergy. Hypersensitivity of the body cells to specific substances such as antigens

and allergens, resulting in various types of reactions.

Alterative. A substance which alters a condition by a gradual change toward restoration of health.

Analgesic. Pain-reliever or pain-killer.

Anaphrodisiac. A drug that represses sexual desire.

Anemia. Number of red blood cells and quantity of hemoglobin in blood reduced below normal.

Anesthetic. An agent which causes total or partial loss of sensation.

Anhidrotic. An agent that suppresses perspiration.

Anodyne. A soothing agent which eases pain.

Anthelmintic. An agent that removes intestinal worms from the host animal.

Antibiotic. A chemical substance produced by a microorganism that has the capacity to kill or inhibit the growth of other microorganisms.

Antibody. Immunoglobulin molecule that is found normally in the body but is elicited after contact with an antigen.

Anticoagulant. Agent preventing or retarding blood clotting.

Anticolic. Agent that relieves abdominal pain by expelling gas from the stomach

and intestines.

Antidote. A treatment which counteracts or destroys the effect of poisons or other medicines.

Antidyspeptic. Acts against nausea due to indigestion.

Antiemetic. An agent that relieves vomiting.

Antigen. A substance capable of inducing an immune response.

**Antiherpetic. Drug for skin inflammations.** 

Antipyretic. Substance that lowers body temperature to the normal level; used against fever.

**Antirheumatic. Medicine for rheumatism.** 

Antiseptic. An agent for destroying or inhibiting diseasecausing bacteria.

Antisialic. Checking the flow of saliva.

Antispasmodic. Prevents or relieves muscular spasms or cramps.

Antitussive. An agent that relieves coughing.

Aphrodisiac. A drug that arouses sexual desire.

Aperient. A gentle purgative.

Aromatic. Emits fragrant odor; used to make medicinal preparations more palatable.

Ascariasis. Infestation by the intestinal parasite Ascaris.

Ascarid. A roundworm (nematode parasite) found in the intestine of pigs, birds, ruminants, horses and humans.

Astringent. Shrinks tissues and prevents secretion of fluids from wounds.

В

Bacteria. Microscopic organisms.

Balm. A soothing or healing medicine.

Balsam. A semifluid, resinous vegetable juice.

Balsamic. Healing or soothing agent.

Bladder. The organ which is reservoir for urine, or gall, in body.

Boil. Infected, painful, hard swelling of the skin.

C

Carminative. An agent that relieves flatulence.

Catarrh. Inflammation of nose and mucous membranes.

Cathartic. Causes cleansing of the bowels.

Chronic. Condition which is recurring and of long duration.

Colic. Gas pain.

Collyrium. An eyewash or lotion for the eyes.

Colostrum. Viscid yellow milk, high in protein and micro-nutrients, produced by mothers after birth.

Compress. A wet, folded cloth soaked in a solution and applied firmly to a part of the body.

Congestion. Abnormal accumulation of blood in a part.

Concoction. A preparation from crude materials, made by combining different ingredients.

Constipation. Infrequent or difficult bowel movement with hard stools caused by functional or organic disorders or improper diet.

Contagious. Diseases which are readily passed on to others.

Contamination. The soiling or making inferior by contact, as by introduction of organisms into a wound.

Contusion. Injury to tissues caused by blunt force which did not disrupt or lacerate the skin.

Convulsion. A violent involuntary contraction of a muscle or muscles.

Costive. An agent that produces constipation.

D

Decoctions. Solutions representing the water-soluble constituents of plant drugs prepared by boiling the drug in water.

Decongestant. An agent that reduces congestion or swelling.

Demulcent. A soothing medicine or application.

Depressant. Agent that reduces functional activity.

Depurative. Purifying agent; normally applied to bloodpurifiers.

Dermatitis. Inflammation of the skin.

**Detergent. Cleansing agent.** 

Diagnosis. The determination of the nature of a case of disease. Includes: (1) the name, (2) the cause and (3) the prognosis.

Diaphoretic. An agent that promotes profuse perspiration.

Diarrhea. Abnormal frequency and fluidity of stool discharges.

Digestant. Aids or promotes digestion.

Disease. Any departure from a state of health.

Diuretic. A drug or preparation that promotes urine production.

Dosage. The determination and regulation of the size, frequency and number of doses.

Dose. The quantity of a specified medication to be administered at one time that cures or mitigates illness.

Drench. Giving medicines in liquid form by mouth and forcing the animal to drink.

Dysentery. Inflammation of the large intestines with evacuation of liquid and bloody stool and painful straining.

Dyspepsia. Indigestion characterized by nausea.

**Dysuria. Difficult discharge of urine.** 

E

Eczema. Inflammatory skin disease characterized by redness, itching and formation of scales and crusts.

Edema. Abnormal accumulation of fluids in the tissues.

**Emetic. Causes vomiting** 

Emollient. An agent that softens or soothes the skin, or soothes an irritated

internal surface.

**Encephalitis. Inflammation of the brain.** 

Enema. Any liquid preparation introduced into the rectum.

**Enteritis. Inflammation of the intestines.** 

Epidemic. A sudden outbreak of disease in a relatively small area.

Estrus. Heat, the condition of being receptive to breeding.

Etiology. The study or theory of the cause(s) of any disease; the sum of knowledge regarding causes.

**Eupeptic. Promotes good digestion.** 

Expectorant. Promotes ejection of fluid from the lungs and trachea.

F

Febrifuge. A remedy for fever.

Fever. Increase in the body temperature; an abnormally high body temperature.

Flatulence. Gas formation in the alimentary canal.

Fluid extract. Liquid preparation of vegetable drug containing alcohol as a solvent or as a preservative or both.

Fomentation. Application of warm, moist substances such as wet cloth to ease pain and inflammation.

Fracture. Breaking of a bone.

G

Galactagogue. An agent that promotes milk flow.

Gastroenteritis. Inflammation of the stomach and intestines characterized by pain, nausea and disease germs.

Germicide. Destroy disease germs.

Gestation. Period of pregnancy term of life of offspring within womb.

Н

Health. A normal condition of body and mind.

Hematoma. A swelling filled with blood.

Hemorrhage. Excessive bleeding.

Hemorrhoid. Painful swelling formed by dilation of a vein in the anus; usually accompanied by bleeding and constipation; piles.

Hygiene. The science of health and its preservation.

Hypnotic. Induces sleep.

Ι

Immune. Resistant to a disease due to the formation of antibodies.

Immunity. The body is defense against disease; can be passed on to offspring through colostrum, or through exposure and naturally developed defenses (vaccinations/inoculations).

Infectious. Disease conditions which can be passed on to others (see Contagious).

Inflammation. The reaction of living tissues to injury infection or irritation; characterized by pain swelling, redness and heat.

Infusion. Herbal remedy preparation which involves adding hot or cold water to plant part(s) and allowing to stand (with cover), usually for about 15 minutes; an infusion can be either hot or cold.

Internal medicine. Branch of medicine not involving surgery.

Invigorant. Strengthening, energy-giving agent.

L

Larva. An independent, immature stage in the life cycle of an animal or insect in which it is unlike the parent and must undergo changes in form and size to reach the adult stage.

Laxative. Encourages defecation.

Lesions. Alterations of skin due to skin disease.

Liniment. A medicated liquid, usually containing alcohol, camphor and an oil, applied to the skin to relieve pain or stiffness.

M

Macerate. Cold water extract of a plant or crude drug, also, to soften or separate by soaking.

Massage. Rubbing or kneading the muscles.

Mastitis. Inflammation of the udder due to infection.

Medicine. (1) any drug or remedy (2) the art or science of healing diseases—the diagnosis and treatment of a case of disease.

Milk fever. Critical condition after calving when cow cannot stand and may quickly die unless given calcium therapy.

Mixture. A combination of different elements or ingredients.

N

Narcotic. A drug, which, in moderate doses, alleviates pain, reduces sensibility, produces sleep; in large amounts, induces stupor, coma or convulsions.

Nausea. Upset stomach, with the inclination to vomit.

**Nervine. Soothing to the nerves; provides nervous relaxation.** 

**Nutrient. Nourishing substance.** 

0

Obstuent. Any agent that causes obstruction (e.g., in the wind pipe or intestine).

Ointment. Combination of juice or plant part with oil (e.g., coconut oil) and starch.

P

Pandemic. An outbreak of disease occurring over a very wide area, affecting a large percentage of the population.

Paralysis. Inability to move a muscle or group of muscles, often coupled with loss of sensation in the affected area.

Parasites. Any organisms which have a harmful effect or cause a disease condition; usually refers to worms, ticks, fleas' mites, lice, leeches, etc.

Parturient. Giving birth or pertaining to birth.

Parturition. The act of giving birth; calving.

Pathology. The science that deals with the study of disease.

Pelvic. The area around the anus and the hips.

Pharmacognosy. The study of the biology, chemistry and pharmacology of plant drugs and species.

Pharmacology. The study of the action of chemicals and drugs in the body.

Placenta. The sac inside which the fetus grows and is attached to the mother's womb through which it is nourished.

Plaster. A mixture of materials that hardens; used for immobilizing body parts.

Preventive medicine. Branch of study and practice which aims at prevention of disease.

Poison. A substance that, in relatively small amounts, may cause structural damage or functional disturbance.

Post partum. After a birth.

Poultice. A soft, usually heated preparation spread on a cloth and applied to a sore or inflammation.

Prognosis. A forecast as to the probable result of a case of disease; the prospect as to recovery from a disease afforded by the nature and symptoms of the case; may be: (1) favorable, (2) guarded, (3) unfavorable.

Prolapsed rectum. The lower portion of the intestinal tract comes out of the anus.

Prolapsed uterus. The uterus descends into the vagina and may be seen at the vaginal opening.

Prophylactic. Preventing against disease.

Pulmonary. Pertaining to the lungs.

Purgative. Causing evacuation from the intestines.

R

Refrigerant. Relieving fever and thirst. Rejuvenator. Causes renewed vitality. Repellent. An agent that repels or drives off other organisms.

Resolvent. An agent that promotes the subsidence of an inflammation or the softening and disappearance of a swelling.

Restorative. Aids in regaining normal vigor.

Retained placenta. A disease condition in which the placenta is not expelled after calving, requiring treatment.

Revulsive. Diverts disease from one part of the body to another.

Rinse. To wash out with water.

Rubefacient. An external skin application causing redness of the skin.

Ruminant. An animal that has a stomach with four complete cavities and

regurgitates undigested food from the rumen and masticates it when at rest (e.g., cattle, buffalo, sheep, goat).

S

Secretion. The liquid products of glands.

Sedative. An agent that calms the nerves.

Sign. Any objective evidence of a disease.

Soak. To thoroughly wet or saturate with liquid.

Soporific. An agent that induces sleep.

Specific agent. Remedy that has a special effect on a particular disease.

Sporadic. An outbreak of disease in a single or scattered location.

Sprain. A violent and sudden twist of a joint.

Starchy water. Water full of starch.

Steam. The vapor which rises from boiling water

Sterile. Free from living germs or bacteria.

Stimulant. Increases or hastens body activity.

Stomachic. Stimulates activity of the stomach.

Stomatitis. Inflammation of the mouth.

Styptic. Stops bleeding with an astringent.

Sudorific. An agent that causes sweating.

Symptom. Any functional evidence of disease or of a patient's condition.

Syndrome. The aggregate of symptoms associated with a particular disease.

T

Therapeutics. Branch of medicine associated with the use of remedies and the treatment of diseases.

Tincture. Alcoholic extract of a plant drug.

Tonic. Produces healthy muscular condition and reaction.

Treatment. Application of therapeutic measures.

U

Ulcer. A superficial inflammation or sore of the skin or mucus membrane discharging pus.

V

Vagina. The portion of the female reproductive tract through which the baby animal must pass. It is separated from the uterus by the cervix.

Vermicide. An agent lethal to worms or intestinal animal parasites.

Vermifuge. An agent that expels the worms or intestinal animal parasites; anthelmintic.

Vesicant. An agent that produces blisters.

Virus. A minute organism which causes disease.

Vulnerably. An agent that promotes the healing of wounds.

Vulva. The opening below a female animal's tailhead to which the urinary and reproductive tracts are attached, which swells at time of estrus and more so at calving time.

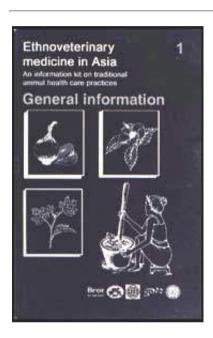
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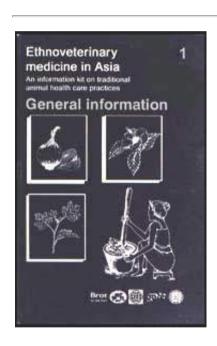
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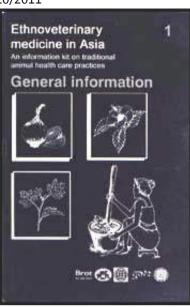
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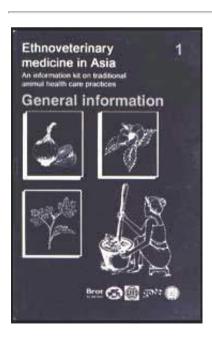
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#### **Introduction to the workshop process**

Introducing Western technologies in developing countries can have side effects and disadvantages that may outnumber their benefits. Western veterinary medicine is no exception. Drawbacks include:

- Drugs are unavailable in rural areas or their supply is erratic.
- Imported drugs are expensive.
- Many stockraisers either underdose to save money, or overdose because they do not understand the instructions for use.

Stockraisers would often be better off if they knew ethnoveterinary remedies and practices for the most common animal diseases. Such remedies and practices reflect centuries of experience and trial and error, they are adapted to the local culture and environmental conditions, and they are inexpensive and locally available.

Local veterinary practices have been systematically recorded and documented for more than a decade, but the results have found little application in development efforts. There are two reasons for this:

 Many international and national organizations have not yet recognized the role and potential contribution of ethnoveterinary medicine in development. This contrasts with the case in human ethnomedicine, which has been widely recognized and used by development organizations.

Little written information exists on practices that work and can be recommended. Without any guidelines on what to use and what not to use, development professionals hesitate to integrate ethnoveterinary practices into project design and implementation.

These manuals aim to overcome the latter constraint. They will facilitate the use of ethnoveterinary medicine and enable project designers and field personnel to tap this valuable resource. They are a ready-to- use package on ethnoveterinary remedies and practices that can be implemented and recommended in villages.

The manuals demonstrate that ethnoveterinary science contains many valuable, traditional practices which can serve as low-cost and practical alternatives for rural communities throughout the world. However, much remains to be done to document, assess and understand the wide range of ethnoveterinary practices used across the globe. We hope that the compilation of these practices will serve as an inspiration to the veterinary science and pharmacology research community to undertake studies to validate traditional livestock practices. We also hope that the simple, practical and low-cost practices outlined in these manuals will benefit

rural households and communities whose livelihood involves livestock production.

### How these manuals were compiled

The International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (JIM) has pioneered a rapid, efficient way to produce information materials through the use of participatory workshops. Such workshops bring together academics, officials, nongovernment organization staff, extension personnel and farmers, together with editors and artists in intensive, one- or two-week sessions to write, edit, illustrate and critique the materials. A complete set of materials can be drawn up within this brief period. Only minor editing and refinement are necessary to obtain material that is ready to print. This workshop process has two major advantages: it reduces the total amount of time needed to develop information materials and it profits from the expertise and resources of a wide range of participants and their organizations.

This approach was used to compile the ethnoveterinary manuals. Preparations for the workshop started several months before the actual workshop date. A steering committee composed of staff members of IIRR and the Philippine Program of Heifer Project International contacted organizations and asked them to recommend individuals who had experience in the application of ethnoveterinary medicine at the field level or had tested such remedies in farm animals. The steering committee also developed a list of tentative topics and sent it to recommended candidates for two purposes: (1) to ask them to verify suggested topics and suggest additional ones and (2) to discover in which areas they could contribute.

Finally, some 20 participants were selected on the basis of the following criteria: (1) country (no more than four per country in tropical Asia), (2) regional distribution within country, (3) extensive field or laboratory experience with ethnoveterinary medicine; and (4) potential contributions of the participant to avoid overlap and ensure a broad coverage of topics.

Based on the participants' responses to the topic list, the steering committee assigned six or seven specific topics to each participant and asked him or her to compile first drafts along guidelines provided. Participants brought these drafts as well as other resource materials to the workshop.

For the workshop proper, some 20 participants from Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Laos, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and the USA met at IIRR on July 11-24, 1994. They included scientists, staff members of NGOs working at the field level and farmers.

During the workshop, the participants presented the drafts they had prepared, discussed these and critiqued them in plenary sessions. After each presentation, participants named additional remedies used in their countries for the disease or problem under discussion. Thus, the original drafts were enriched with remedies from several other countries in Asia.

All remedies were discussed and either accepted against a commonly agreed upon set of criteria, or rejected by the group if participants regarded them as harmful, dangerous or ineffective according to their professional judgement. Some topics were dropped, others combined or added. Editors and artists from IIRR helped each participant make the suggested changes in his or her topic. Through this

process, second drafts of about 80 topics were developed and discussed.

The second drafts were again presented in three groups, one each for ruminants, swine and poultry. Each group discussed the drafts in detail, editing and checking the validity of each remedy. Again, editors and artists integrated the revisions to text and illustrations. The resulting third drafts then underwent a final review by the IIRR editorial team and were prepared for printing.

Because the final version of the topics reflected the inputs not only from those who had originally drafted the text but also from many other participants, it was decided not to name specific authors for each topic but to identify the entire group as authors for the complete set of manuals.

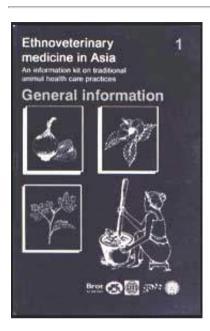
The initial stimulus for these manuals came from Dr. Julian Gonsalves of the International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (IIRR). We would like to thank him for his support. IIRR would also like to thank the workshop participants for their hard work and invaluable contributions during the workshop. Without them, producing this set of materials would not have been possible.

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#### How to use these manuals

#### **Audience and content**

The ethnoveterinary information in this set of manuals is intended for use in the field by animal husbandry and agricultural extension personnel (both government and NGO), paraveterinarians, local livestock healers and veterinarians. The manuals can serve as reference materials for livestock care and treatment, can be used to validate or cross-check existing practices and experiences from throughout Asia and can be a source of inspiration to further test ethnoveterinary practices.

The manuals describe indigenous practices which have been shared by the workshop participants. They focus on the tropical region of Asia because areas across this similar agro-climatic zone will have similar flora. This helps to ensure that the plantbased ethnoveterinary remedies recommended in the manuals will be widely available and equally applicable.

#### Structure and organization of the manuals

The set is divided into four Booklets, three of which are species-specific: ruminants (small and large), swine and poultry. This fourth Booklet contains topics which are general in nature, are not species-specific and are. therefore, applicable to any of the species presented in the manuals.

The topics in the species-specific manuals are not necessarily divided along disease categories, but rather have been broadly presented to include the whole spectrum of "conditions" which a field practitioner may encounter in the care and management of livestock. Additionally, the manuals do not solely present a

curative perspective to livestock care, but also include a range of traditional practices (e.g., housing, feeding, breeding, etc.) that focus on maintaining animal health and preventing diseases.

Cross-references (e.g., "see Housing") refer the reader to other relevant sections of the manuals. The References section contains publications that were consulted during the workshop to validate any particular remedy or that contain information on ethnoveterinary medicine.

Because of linguistic diversity across the region, the various remedies list the ingredients by their botanical (or Latin) name and a common English name. Many widely practiced remedies use commonly available and widely known species (e.g., garlic, ginger, coconut, banana, guava), so will be widely applicable. For such species, only the English name may appear in the text. The corresponding Latin name can be found in the Glossary of English and botanical names (page 46 in this manual). The Glossary of medicinal plants (page 49) provides the botanical name, the various plant Parts used and the known uses for each of the plants mentioned in the manuals.

- @ This symbol highlights precautions to heed when using a treatment.
- # This symbol highlights reminders.
- **\$ This symbol marks diseases that can affect humans.**

Topics which describe a disease or condition present the following information:

Symptoms key symptom(s) by which the disease can be identified.

Causes primary cause(s) of the disease.

Prevention appropriate preventive measure(s) to avoid disease onset.

Treatment a detailed description of the treatment(s).

The treatments or remedies which require multiple ingredients are presented in a step-by-step "recipe" format which lists all ingredients to be used and describes how to prepare them. Many remedies which require only a single ingredient are presented in tables. Each remedy is identified by the "-" mark; where several remedies are presented, the choice of the remedy is left to the user. The specific socio-religious context of any given remedy has not been included, even though this may be critically important within the culture where the remedy or practice originates.

### **Intellectual property rights**

All remedies and most dosages are based on local stockraisers' practices. Most treatments are widely used within a country or region and cannot be attributed to a single person or village. In a few cases, a remedy is known to be used by a certain individual. For such remedies, the individual's name and village are given.

# **Validation of practices**

After each treatment, the countries where the treatment is practiced (as validated by the workshop group or through references) are presented in boldface. Immediately after the names of the countries is a series of numbers that reflect the validation criteria used in the workshop:

- 1 Workshop participants agreed that the treatment would be useful.
- 2 Treatment is widely used in a region or a country (some remedies were also validated against practices from outside Asia).
- 3 Workshop participants had first-hand knowledge of the remedy's use onfarm.
- 4 Traditional healers are known to use the remedy.
- 5 The remedy is cited in the literature in one of two ways: (1) it is used to treat the same problem in humans or another animal species; or (2) this plant has proven pharmacological activity to treat the problem in question. For instance, laboratory tests have shown that Nicotiana tabacum (tobacco) leaf extract is effective against Staphylococcus aureus bacteria in vitro (Syat 1990). This tends to support the use of tobacco leaves in treating wounds.
- 6 The remedy has been scientifically validated as effective to treat the problem in the livestock species in question. Relevant references are given under the corresponding plant name in the Glossary of medicinal plants.

As can be seen from the validation codes after each remedy, relatively few treatments have been scientifically validated in the species in question (code 6). The wide use of some other plants or remedies in several locations or countries, however, lends support for the farmers' claim that these remedies are effective. It also suggests the need for careful scientific evaluation of these remedies, both in the laboratory and in clinical trials.

Because of the lack of scientific testing, it is not possible to vouch that every ingredient in every remedy acts directly to solve the problem in question. There may be additive, synergetic or nutritional effects that help alleviate the problem. It must be stressed again that these are remedies used by farmers and stockraisers. The workshop participants and IIRR have made every attempt to ensure that the remedies are effective and are not harmful. However, they cannot guarantee this or be held liable for any problems that arise from applying these practices.

### **Dosages**

Dosages and preparation methods in indigenous practice are often imprecise and vary widely between individuals and regions. The dosages and methods given are those that, according to the professional judgement and experience of the workshop participants, are most suitable, are easy to prepare and are likely to be effective.

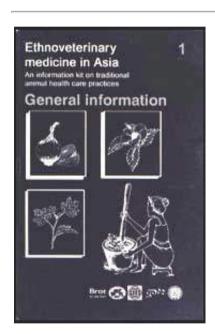
Unless noted to the contrary, all dosage quantities for treatments are for single dosage applications; in other words, each treatment should be prepared at the time of application according to the quantities specified. Dosages for treatments in swine are usually given in terms of live body weight (a simple calculation procedure for estimating live body weight for all species is explained on page 31). Remedies for ruminants are generally stated in terms of dosages for adult cattle or buffaloes. It is important to use appropriate dosages: for instance, a dose for an adult cow could kill a goat; on the other hand, a dose suitable for a goat may have no effect on a cow. Dosages for poultry are usually the amount needed to treat 10 adult birds.

Where possible, simple measurements (handful, cup, etc.) have been given for ease of use by field practitioners. More detailed measurements (milliliters, etc.) are also given to allow a practitioner to be as precise as the particular conditions may allow. The section on Common "nils of measurement (page 28) gives approximate equivalents for various measures used.









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## Identification, collection and preparation of medicinal plants

#### **Identification**

Make sure that you know exactly which plant to use to treat a problem. The names of plants vary from one place to another. Different plant species may have the same local name. The botanical name of each plant used in these manuals is given with each remedy, except for the most common plants. Here are some things to check to make sure you use the right plant.

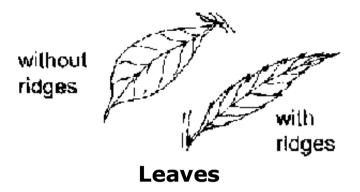
### Type of plant

- Approximate size of the plant.
- Type: tree, woody, shrub, vine, grass.
- The position of flower or fruit in the plant (such as on the ton of stem. in the branches).

#### Leaves

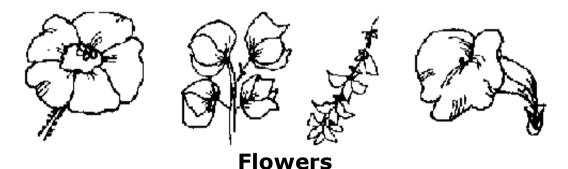
- Approximative size
- Shape (number of leaflets or lobes, with ridges or not) and color.
- Texture (smooth or rough, with hair or not).

### Position and arrangement of the



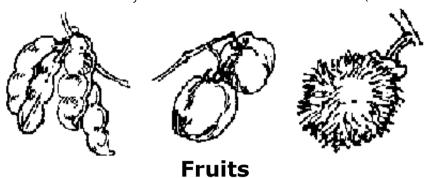
#### **Flowers**

- Type of flower; type of inflorescence.
- Size, color and shape of flowers and bud.



#### **Fruits**

- Approximate size.
- Shape, color when young or ripe.
- Seed present or not.
- Size, shape and color of seeds.



#### **Bark**

- Present or not.
- Color and texture (smooth or rough).

#### Collection

Know which materials to collect and what time to collect them. The content of the active ingredient may depend on the plant part, stage of growth, season of harvest, method of handling during collection, physical condition of its collection place and storage.

Leaves and stems are best collected during daytime and when the plant is about to bloom.

Flowers that have a smell are best collected when the flower buds are just about to open and in the morning when the sun is still low. Other flowers should be collected when they are in full bloom. Sometimes, collection should be done in batches since flowers do not bloom at the same time.

Unless the recipe says that unripe fruits will be used, fruits should be collected when they are ripe. Fleshy fruits which deteriorate rapidly should be gathered when they are somewhat ripe, preferably in the early morning or at nightfall.

Seeds are usually collected from thoroughly ripened fruits. Some dry-textured fruits fall off the plant or split open easily when fully ripened. As a result, seeds are easily scattered and lost. It is advisable to collect such fruits as soon as they start ripening.

Barks should be collected when the plants are in bloom or in vigorous growth. Barks should be collected from the trunk and branches.

Roots and other underground parts (e.g., rhizome, rootstock, stem tuber, bulb and stolon) are best collected when the plant is in full growth.

#### # Reminder

Avoid collecting plants in a way that kills the plant or damages its surroundings. Before collecting any, determine first how much of the plant and what parts are needed to prevent wastage. Collect only the plant parts you need. For instance, if you need only the leaves, take only the leaves and only the number that you need. Medicinal plants should be conserved to ensure their continuous supply.

**After collection** 

Sorting and cleaning

Clean plant parts of soil and dust.

Plants that may have been exposed to pesticides should not be used. If you have no other choice, they should be washed properly in clear water. Clean and wash plants as quickly as possible to avoid damaging them.

## **Drying**

Air-drying is the best way of drying herbal plants. Drying at high temperatures will destroy plant ingredients. Spread the plant materials thinly and evenly over an old newspaper, a bamboo mat, or chicken-wire screen. Put in the shade until the materials are dry. Drying can be done through artificial heat, especially in the rainy season. Heating devices vary from one place to another.

Cutting, trimming, grinding, chopping

These are done for various reasons:

- To increase the efficacy of the plants materials.
- To allow more active ingredients to go into the preparation.
- To reduce the toxicity or adverse effects of certain drugs.
- To shorten the duration of drying.
- To make the plant material more convenient to store.

## **Storing**

Medicinal plants should be properly stored to preserve their quality. Otherwise, they may be attacked by insects, mites and fungus. Storage can also ensure the continuous supply and availability of the materials whenever they are needed. Dried plants should be kept in covered plastic containers or bottles. These should

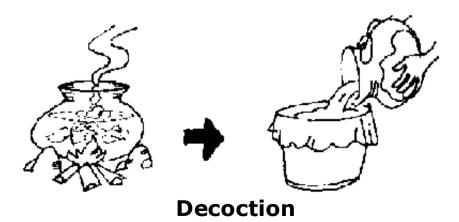
be covered tightly and kept in a cool, dry place away from sunlight. Label the container properly with the name of the plant and the date when it was collected. Do not use any stored herbal plant which has molds or is discolored.

### Preparing herbal medicine

Plant materials can be either fresh or dry, depending on the need and preparation. If dried plants are to be used as a substitute for fresh parts, adjust the quantity or the weight since water is lost during drying.

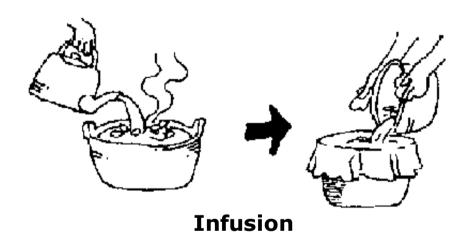
#### **Decoction**

Boil the plant parts in water, preferably for 15-20 minutes from the time the water has started boiling. Some healers recommend boiling the plant materials until the original volume of the water is reduced to one half. Some plants are soaked or moistened. Ideally, plant materials should be decocted twice in order to extract their active ingredients thoroughly. Strain or filter the liquid either while it is still hot or after cooling.



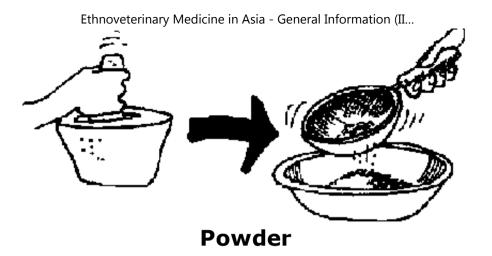
#### **Infusion**

Pour hot or cold water onto the fresh or dry plant material and allow it to stand. Cover the preparation tightly to stop important ingredients from being lost. The length of time needed to prepare an infusion depends on the type of plant material and whether the water is hot or cold. In general, hot infusions need to stand for only 5-15 minutes; cold infusions may require up to 24 hours. Filter the preparation (and allow hot liquid to cool) before administering to the sick animal.



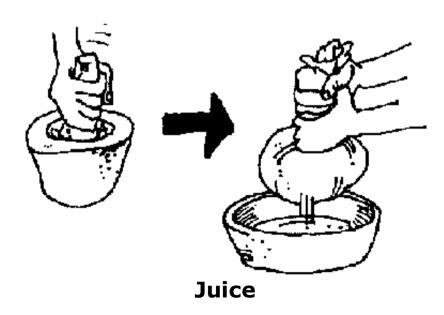
#### **Powder**

Pound and grind the dried plant materials into coarse, intermediate or fine particle sizes. Sift the powder (once or several times) through coarse or fine sieves to get the required particle size.



#### **Juice**

Pound the fresh plant materials, then pass them through a cheesecloth or any fine piece of cloth in order to get the juice. Or you may just squeeze the plant parts to extract the juice.



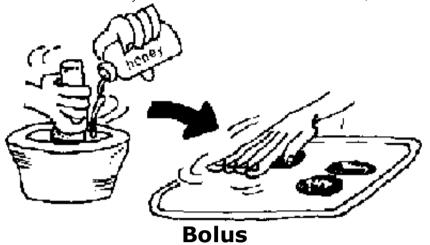
# **Poultice or paste**

A poultice is a moist, semisolid preparation which is applied directly on the skin. Prepare it by grinding the plant materials (either fresh or dry), sometimes with a little oil, water, molasses, honey, or other liquids.



#### **Bolus**

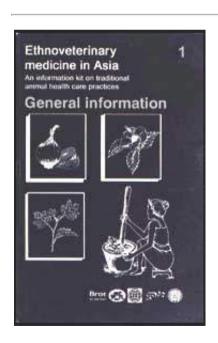
A bolus is made by pounding fresh or dried plant material' and adding sufficient binding agent such as honey or molasses. Roll it or shape it with your hand to make a round or oval ball







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## **Application of herbal medicine**

### **Drenching**

The application of liquid preparation through the mouth is called drenching. It can be used for swine, ruminants and poultry. Hold the head level so that the medicine does not an into the lungs. For swine and ruminants, use a bamboo tube, a softdrink bottle, a wine bottle or a bottle gourd. Use a dropper or straw for poultry.



#### **Swine**

- Lie the animal on its front on the ground and tie it down or ask someone to hold it.
- Tie the snout with a piece of rope. Hold one end of the rope tightly or tie it to a post so the animal's mouth is open and it cannot bite your hands or the bottle. Put the end of the bottle into the mouth and slowly pour the liquid into the mouth. Make sure the animal swallows the liquid.



**Swine** 



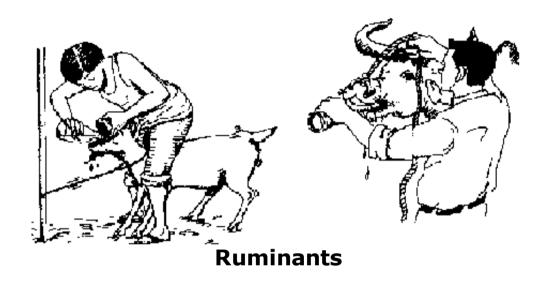
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# **Ruminants**

1 Tie the animal to a tree or pole.

2 With small ruminants, mount the animal and hold it between your thighs.

3 With one hand, hold the upper jaw so that the animal opens its mouth. With cattle and buffaloes, you can use a rope through the nose ring to hold the mouth open. With the other hand, put the end of the bottle in the side of the animal's mouth and slowly pour the liquid into the mouth.



#### **Chickens**

Birds can be held by the person who will administer the medicine or by someone else. Use a syringe or dropper or you can use a rice or sorghum straw.

Hold the upper beak with the left thumb or first finger. Push the lower beak down with your finger or the medicine dropper. Hold the head level so the medicine does not go into the lungs.

Drop or squirt the medicine into the mouth.



**Chickens** 

## **Force-feeding**

The application of solid preparations through the mouth is called "force-feeding". It is used for ruminants, swine and poultry. The procedure is similar to that for drenching. After you have put the solid medicines into the mouth, make sure that the animal swallows them. In ruminants, this can be done by massaging the throat. An easy way to force-feed animals is to put solid medicines either into a banana or cooked sweet potatoes and feed this to the animal.



Medicine mixed with feed and water

In all species, both liquid and solid medicines can be given with feed and water. They can be:

- Mixed thoroughly with the feed.
- Mixed with some of the feed; give the remaining feed only if the animal has eaten all of the medicated part. To treat individual poultry, put the bird and the medicated feed together under a basket until the feed has been eaten.
- Dissolved in drinking water. Use only as much water as the animal can

drink at one time.

Sprinkled on the feed ("top-dressing").

## **Topical application**

#### **Poultice**

- A poultice is a soft, usually heated preparation that is applied to a sore or inflammation.
- If necessary, keep the poultice on if necessary by tying a cloth or strip of banana trunk or coconut leaves over it.

Poultices are used for swine, ruminants and poultry.

#### **Fomentation**

A fomentation is a warm, moist substance (such as a wet cloth) applied to the affected parts of the body. It is used to ease pain and inflammation in swine and ruminants.

### **Compress**

A compress is similar to a fomentation, but is always dry.

This is used for swine and ruminants.

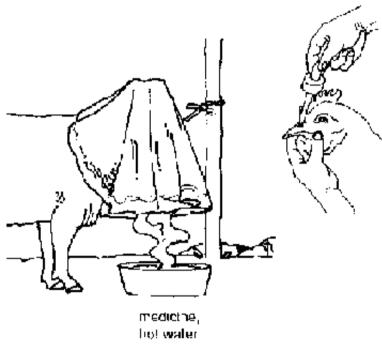
### **Direct application**

Rub the preparation directly on the affected part.

This is used for swine, ruminants and poultry.

## **Nasal application**

Drop medicine directly into the nostril or apply it as vapor as shown in the illustrations. This is used in all species.



**Nasal application** 

# Vaginal application

This application is used in cows and sows that have an infection of the birth canal, for example: after retained placenta or other birthing difficulties.

### To apply solid medicines

- 1 Clip your nails, clean your hands thoroughly and apply vegetable oil to them as a lubricant.
- 2 Clean the animal's vulva with soap and warm water.
- 3 Take the medicine in one hand and cup this hand into a cone-shape.
- 4 Insert this hand into the vagina when the muscles of the birth canal are relaxed (for instance, between contractions during birthing). Leave the medicine in the vagina and slowly pull your hand out.

### To flush the vagina with liquids

- 1 Clean and wash the stalk of a papaya leaf and lubricate its tip with vegetable oil.
- 2 Insert the stalk slowly about 10 cm deep into the vagina.
- 3 Pour the liquid medicine into the vagina through the hollow stalk until the liquid flows over.

## **Anal application**

This can be used for ruminants and swine.

- 1 Shape the medicine into a small ball.
- 2 Carefully push it into the animal's anus. If this is difficult, dip the ball into

the water or oil before inserting it in the anus.

In the eye

This can be used in all species.

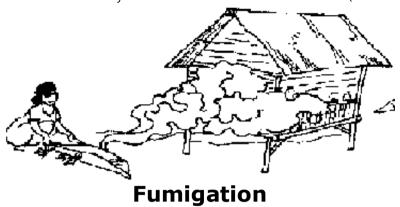
Use a rice straw, sorghum straw, medicine dropper or plastic dropper. Apply remedy directly into the eyes.



# **Fumigation**

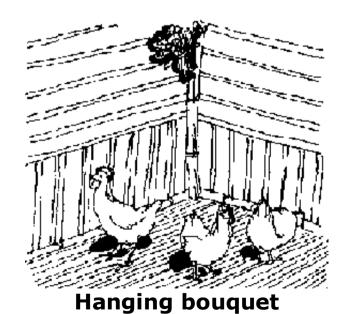
Fumigation is the use of smoke to drive away insects.

Burn dried leaves. Cover the fire with fresh banana leaves to make a lot of smoke.



# **Hanging bouquet**

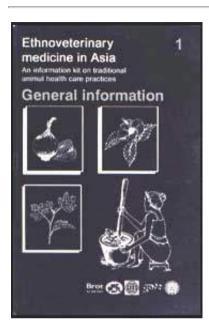
Bind plants into a bouquet and hang inside the houses. This can be used for poultry, swine and ruminants.







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#### Common units of measurement

Many farmers do not have accurate ways of measuring ingredients for medicines. For many of the remedies in these manuals, accurate dosages are neither appropriate nor possible. This section gives some approximate equivalents for commonly available measures. Common containers, such as glasses, cups, spoons and bottles, may vary from country to country or even within countries. You should check that these equivalents are correct for your area before using them.

## Liquid

- Cup (Philippines)
- Cups (teacup, India)
- Spoons

Cups (Philippines)

$$\bigcirc$$
 = 16 tablespoons  $-\frac{1}{4}$  liter approximately

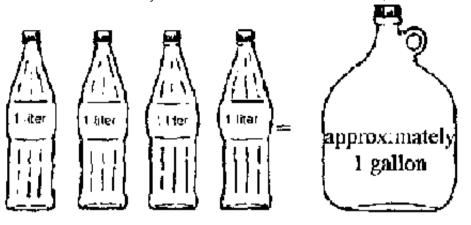
$$\bigcirc$$
 = 1 pint =  $\frac{1}{2}$  liter approximately

• Cups (teacups, India)

Spoons

Common units of measurement

## **Bottles (Philippines)**



4 liters
Common units of measurement

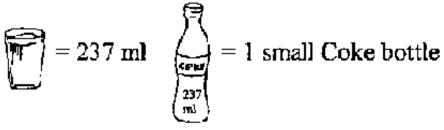
# **Bottles (India)**



**Common units of measurement** 

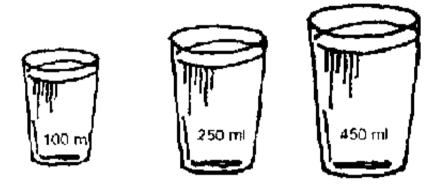
Bottles are often marked with their volume. Common sizes are 1 liter, 750 ml, 375 ml and 320 ml.

**Drinking glass (Philippines)** 



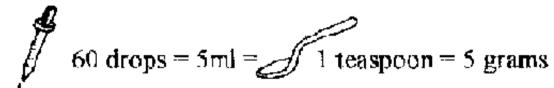
#### **Common units of measurement**

# **Drinking glass**



South India West India North India Common units of measurement

### **Dropper**



# **Common units of measurement**

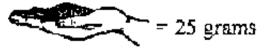
#### **Powder**



1 small matchbox = 50 grams

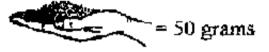


= 5 grams





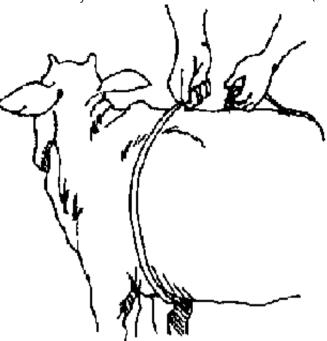
= 10 grams





20 peanuts

**Powder** 



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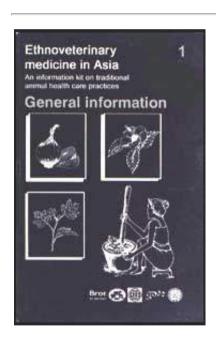
### **Chopped leaves**

150-200 leaves of Azadirachta indica = 1 handful 300 leaves of Ocimum sp. = 1 handful 15-25 leaves of Eucalyptus tereticornis = 1 handful 10 leaves of Areca catechu = 1 handful









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# **Estimating live weight**

#### **Cattle and buffaloes**

Measure the chest girth of large ruminants with a tape measure or a string. Use the table below to estimate the weight.

Girth	Weight	Girth	Weight	Girth	Weight
(cm)	(kg)	(cm)	(kg)	(cm)	(kg)
65	35	125	170	185	508
70	40	130	190	190	552
75	45	135	210	195	598
80	50	140	230	200	648
85	59	145	252	205	698
90	69	150	272	210	748
95	79	155	295	215	798
100	89	160	325	220	850
105	103	165	360	225	905

110	118	170	392	230	969
115	134	175	427		
120	150	180	467		

Source: Veterinary Research Institute, Sri Lanka

#### **Small ruminants**

Measure the heart girth of small ruminants (goats or sheep) using a tape measure or string. Pull the tape tight. Use the table below to estimate the weight.

Heart	girth	Body v	weight	Heart	girth	Body	weight
(in)	(cm)	(Ib)	(kg)	(in)	(cm)	(lb)	(kg)
10 3/4	27.3	5	2.3	18 ¾	47.6	25	11.3
11 1/4	28.6	5½	2.5	191/4	48.9	27	12.2
11 3/4	29.9	6	2.7	19 ¾	50.2	29	13.2
12 1/4	31.1	61/2	3	20 1/4	51.4	31	14.1
12 3/	32.4	7	3.2	20 ¾	52.7	33	15
13 1/4	33.7	8	3.6	21 1/4	53.9	35	15.9
13 ¾	34.9	9	4.1	21 ¾	55.3	37	16.8
14 1/4	36.2	10	4.5	22 1/4	56.5	39	17.7
14 3/4	37.5	11	5	22 3/4	57.8	42	19.1
15 1/4	38.7	12	5.4	231/4	59.1	45	20.4
15 3/4	40	13	5.9	23 ¾	60.3	48	21.8

16 1/4	41.3	15	6.8	241/4	61.6	51	23.1
16 ¾	42.7	17	7.7	24 ¾	62.9	54	24.5
171/4	43.8	19	8.6	251/4	64.1	57	25.8
17 3/4	45.1	21	9.5	25 ¾	65.4	60	27.2
18 1/4	46.4	23	10.4	26 1/4	66 7	63	28.6

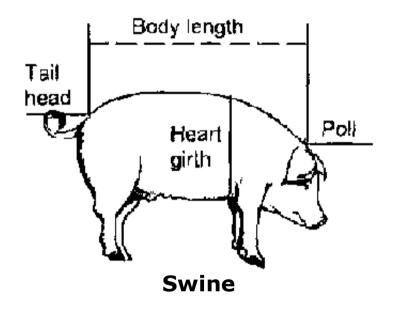
Heart girth Body weight					
(in)	(cm)	(lb)	(kg)		
26¾	67.9	66	29.9		
271/4	69.2	69	31.3		
27¾	70.5	72	32.7		
28 1/4	71.7	75	34		
28¾	73	78	35.4		
29 1/4	74.3	81	36.7		
29 ¾	75.6	84	38.1		
301/4	76.8	87	39.5		
30¾	78	90	40.8		
31 1/4	79.4	93	42.2		
31¾	80.7	97	44		
32 1/4	81.9	101	45.8		
32 3/4	83.2	105	47.6		

331/4	84.5	110	499
33¾	85.7	115	52.2
34 1/4	87	120	54.4
34 ¾	88.3	125	56.7
35 1/4	89.5	130	59
35 ¾	90.8	135	61.2
361/4	92.1	140	63.5
36 ¾	93.4	145	65.8
37 1/4	94.6	150	68.1
37 ¾	95.9	155	70.3
38 1/4	97.2	160	72.6
38 ¾	98.4	165	74.8
391/4	99.7	170	77.1
39 ¾	101	175	79.4
401/4	102.2	180	81.6
40 ¾	103.5	185	83.9
41 1/4	104.8	190	86.2
41¾	106.1	195	88.4

Source: Sinn (1983)

# **Swine**

Live weight of swine can be estimated by measuring the body length (from the back of the head to the tail head) and the heart girth of the animal with a tape measure. Using the table below, an approximate weight can be calculated. For example, if the body length is 130 cm and the heart girth 110 cm, the swine weighs about 105 kg.



# Heart girth (cm)

		-	1					
		80	90	100 - Badu v	110 ⁄eight (kg	120	130	140
	80	36	40	48	60 60	75	94	116
(сш)	80	42	47	55	67	82	101	123
	100	50	55	63	15	90	108	130
	110	59	64	72	64	90	117	139
	120	69	74	82	94	109	120	150
gth	130	80	85	94	105	120	139	161
Body length	110	£Q	940	106	118	133	151	173
	150	107	111	120	132	147	165	187

Source: Dayrit (1979)

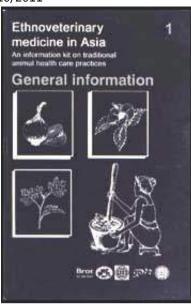
**Body length** 





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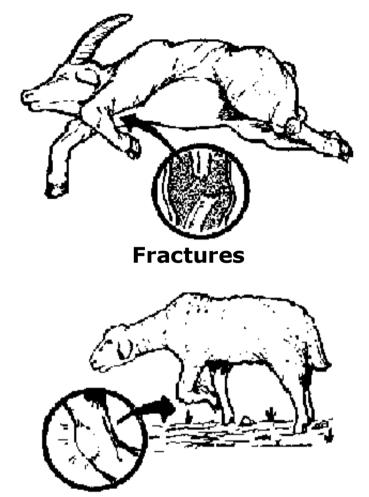
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# Simple surgical techniques

#### **Fractures**

A fracture is a crack or a break in a bone. Fractures are caused by accidents or falls. If a fracture is not treated immediately, the affected area may not regain its

### normal function.



**Symptoms** 

## **Symptoms**

- Swelling at the site of fracture which does not subside.
- The fracture site is painful.
- You can hear a crackling sound when you touch or move the fracture.

• The animal has difficulty using the affected area.



The fracture site is painful

#### **Prevention**

- Avoid accidents or falls of your livestock while using draft animals or when sending them out to graze in hilly areas.
- Take extra care with pregnant animals. Their bones are much weaker than other animals'.

#### **Treatments**

### To treat pain

Boil 4-7 tablespoons of fresh, mature roots of Mimosa pudica (sensitive plant) in 500 ml of water for 10 minutes. For adult cattle and buffaloes, drench this amount

of the liquid once a day for 3 days. Caution: prolonged use of Mimosa pudica can be dangerous.

For minor fractures and cracks in the bone

Grind a handful of fresh Symphytum officinale (comfrey) leaves and use as a poultice. Change the poultice once a day for 1 week until the animal regains the use of its limb.

For more serious fractures

### Follow these steps:

1 Put the animal in a comfortable position.

2 Boil 1 kg of fresh leaves of Cissampelos pareira in 1 liter of water for half an hour. Drench adult cattle and buffaloes with 200 ml of the decoction (give 100 ml to calves, goats or sheep). This will relax the animal's muscles an hour after drinking.

3 Position animal carefully and comfortably, with the affected area facing upwards.

4 Using a rope, straighten the affected limb and align the bones. Be careful not to hurt the animal.

5 Shave the hair and clean the affected area with clean water.

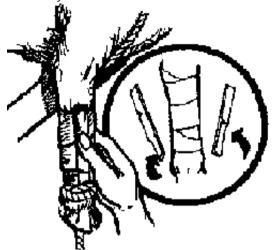
6 Pour vegetable oil on newspaper. Wrap several layers of newspaper around the joint as a cast to keep the joint from moving. This helps reduce the swelling slightly. Leave on for one day.

7 The next day, remove the newspaper. Tie a clean cloth around the area to cover the fracture and protect the skin.



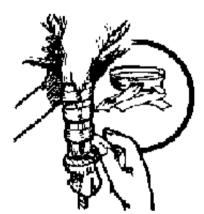
Wrap several layers of newspaper

8 Position splints to keep the joint from moving. Normally, four splints are needed around the leg.



Four splints are needed around the leg.

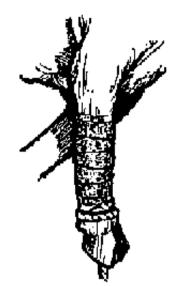
9 Dip strips of clean cloth in one of the plaster mixtures (see box) and bandage firmly around the limb. The bandage must not be too tight; you should be able to insert your finger under it.



The bandage must not be too tight

10 Leave the cast on for 710 days in young animals. Depending on the type of the fracture, it may take 3-4 weeks in adult animals before the cast can

be removed.



Depending on the type of the fracture

### How to make plaster

Use one of the following mixtures to make plaster. Make enough of the mixture to cover the fracture site. Dip strips of cloth in this mixture.

- Grind 2 bricks and mix with a sufficient quantity of egg white to make a smooth plaster. (Western India. 1, 2, 3, 4)
- Mix 10 egg whites, 3 teaspoons of latex from Euphorbia neriifolia and 2 teaspoons of red oxide of mercury. (Western India. 1, 2, 3, 4)
- Grind a handful of Tamarindus indica (tamarind) leaves and mix it with anthill mud. Add a little water to make a fine paste. (Western India. 1, 2, 3,

4)

• Mix equal amounts of fresh goat milk, fresh goat droppings (from a goat stall), ash and egg whites. (Western India. 1, 2, 3, 4)

## **Splints**

Splints support fractures and prevent the broken bone from moving. Splints must be made of stiff but light material, such as bamboo, the stalk of coconut or palmyra palm leaves, or the bark of Areca catechu.

### After treating the fracture

The bone takes approximately 3-6 weeks to heal, depending on the age of the animal and its health. Bones of young animals heal faster. Too much movement of the affected part will delay healing.

- Allow the animal to rest.
- Give the animal easily digestible and nutritious feed.
- Add a handful of ground limestone, chalk or eggshells to every 10 kg of feed.
- If the cast falls off, replace it immediately with a fresh one.

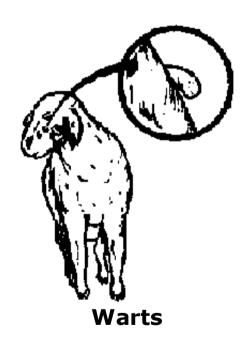
Bone fractures in very large ruminants are difficult to treat. This is especially true for fractures in the upper limbs. Such animals may develop sores. In this case, consult a professional (a local expert, respected healer or veterinarian).

Working animals may never regain the full use of the affected part. They may not

be able to pull heavy carts or plows. In most cases, it will be most practical to sell or slaughter the animal.

#### **Warts**

Warts are small, solid growths on the surface of skin. Warts on the tongue can interfere with eating. Warts around the nostrils block the breathing passage. Warts on the teats make milking painful for the animal. Warts on the penis hinder the passage of urine.



#### **Treatment**



**Treatment** 

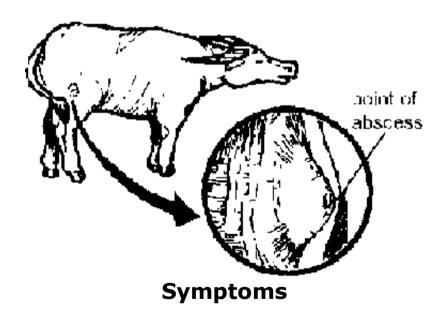
### Remove the wart using any of the following:

- Tie a thread or 3-4 strands of horse hair tightly around the wart. This will cut off the blood supply to the wart. It will shrink, dry up and eventually fall off. (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
- Apply 1 or several drops of latex of Euphorbia neriifolia or the latex from a papaya trunk, fruit or leaves on the wart. The amount of latex depends on the size of the wart. Apply twice a day until the wart falls off. (1, 2, 3, 4)
- Crush 2-3 fresh leaves and petals of a single flower of Calendula officinalis (calendula). Extract the juice and apply at least 3 drops on the wart twice a day until the wart falls off. The amount of juice depends on the size of the wart. (1, 2, 3, 4)
- Tie an entire Piper belle (betel) leaf over the wart like a bandage. Use a string to keep the leaf in place. Change the bandage twice a day until the wart falls off. Also used to treat abscesses (see below). (1, 2, 3, 4)

- Mix 2-3 crystals of copper sulfate with a drop of water. Apply on the wart using a matchstick. Caution: Copper sulfate is strong enough to burn your fingers. (1, 2, 3, 4)
- Squeeze 1-2 cloves of garlic directly onto the wart. Do this once a day till the wart falls off. (1, 2, 3, 4)

#### **Abscesses**

# **Symptoms**



An abscess is a rounded, hot, painful swelling full of pus. A single or many abscesses may be found on the body.

#### Cause

Abscesses may have various causes, including infected wounds, irritants on the skin and internal disease. They may also be caused by using dirty instruments, syringes or needles. If the animal has fever as well as abscesses, it may have an infectious disease (see Infectious diseases in species-specific manuals). Infected matter from an abscess which falls on open wounds may cause more abscesses, severe pain and swelling.

#### **Prevention**

- Keep the animal clean and well-fed.
- Clean and sterilize syringes, knives and other instruments before using them on animals.
- Clean wounds properly (see Wounds in species-specific manuals).

#### **Treatment**

Use any of the treatments below twice a day until the abscess has dried up. If the animal has fever, see also Fever in species-specific manuals. If the abscess does not subside, or if there are other symptoms, check the section on Infectious diseases and other sections. Consider getting help from a professional.

- Grind a handful of fresh neem leaves to make a paste. Apply it on the affected area as a poultice.
- Grind a handful of Odina wadder (sesharam) leaves and mix with half this amount of vegetable oil. Apply it on the abscess.
- Tie a Piper betle (betel) leaf over the abscess to drain it (see Warts on page 40).

- Make a paste from 5 teaspoons of turmeric rhizome powder and 5 teaspoons of water. Apply on the abscess.
- Rub a block of Pterocarpus santalinus (red sanderswood) against a rough stone to make a powder. Make a paste from 5 teaspoons of this powder with 5 teaspoons of water and apply on the affected area.
- Mix equal amounts of salt and water and pour on the abscess.
- Mix equal amounts of slaked lime (calcium hydroxide) and water. Mix this with an equal amount of lemon juice and apply on the abscess.
- Crush 10-20 fresh Mentha piperita or M. cordifolia opiz (mint) leaves and apply on top of the abscess as a poultice.
- Boil 1 part of young, chopped leaves of Spondias pinnate with 2 parts of clean water. Boil for 1015 minutes. Use the decoction to wash the abscess.



