



A REVIEW ON "SANDIGDHA DRAVYAS" OF BHAVAPRAKASHA NIGHANTU

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ABSTRACT

"Sandigdha dravyas" is a term used for medicinal plants having controversial botanicals as sources. In current scenario, one of the major controversies is related to identification of drug which creating hurdles for pharmacopoeial standards of the formulations. Certain drugs are under are categorized as controversial drugs as there are confusion to exactly decode the accurate botanical source by names mentioned in Sanskrit as the names are assigned based upon many criteria i.e. morphology, habit, habitat, therapeutic action, some analogies etc. Due to the controversy of appropriate botanical identity, many divya aushadhi dravyas are not in clinical practice for their miraculous effects. Bhavaprakasha nighantu is one of the important Ayurveda Classics in which the synonyms, properties, actions and uses of the drugs are mentioned. It is compiled to furnish some more information about controversial drugs in ayurvedic texts. Thus here an attempt has been made to prevent the controversy of drugs and establish pharmacopoeial standards of classical Ayurvedic medicinal plants by the government.

KEYWORDS : Sandigdha dravya, Controversial drug, Bhavaprakasha nighantu**INTRODUCTION**

Ayurveda is perceived as one of the most ancient and well documented system of medicine equally relevant to modern times. The system of medicine is mainly plant based. The medicinal plants are known to be the main source of traditional medicines, phytopharmaceuticals, nutraceuticals, many of modern allopathic drugs, household remedies, cosmetics etc. with a very high degree of societal acceptance. However, for global acceptance as well as providing safe and effective Ayurvedic products the drug should be established appropriately. In Ayurveda, there are many instances of controversy in terms of fundamental principles and their clinical applications. But one of the major controversies is related to identification of drug. The long history of safe usage of Ayurvedic medicines can be extrapolated only when the botanical identity of the plant going into those medicines is established and standardized. Hence proper nomenclature of all crude drugs and establishing their exact botanical origin is a must. The nighantu literature is one of the important aspects in the study of Ayurveda and especially in the subject of Dravyaguna Vijnana. Bhavaprakasha Nighantu is one of them and is the nighantu of modern time period. The author Bhavamishra wrote the treatise in 16th century AD. *Acharya Bhavamishra* has mentioned controversial and non controversial drugs in some *Vargas* among 23 *vargas*. The review attempts at focusing on the *Sandigdha dravya* (controversial drugs) from *Bhavaprakasha nighantu*. The list of the controversial drugs was observed as follows.

OBSERVATIONS¹-**Table 1: Sandigdha dravyas mentioned in Haritakyadi varga:**

Sr. No.	Name of the Drug	Controversy regarding to drug	Page no.	Suggested drug
Haritakyadi varga				
1.	Ajamoda	Apium graveolens Linn. Seseli indicum W.& A. Thymus serpyllum Linn.	26	Apium graveolens Linn.
2.	Methika	Trigonella foenum-graecum Linn. Medicago sativa Linn. Trigonella corniculata Linn.	36	Trigonella foenum-graecum Linn.
3.	Vacha	Acorus calamus Linn. Alpinia galanga Willd. Paris polyphylla Sm. Iris germanica Linn. Alpinia officinarum Hance Zingiber zerumbet Rosc.	42	Acorus calamus Linn.
4.	Chopachini	Smilax china Linn. Smilax macrophylla Roxb. Smilax glabra Roxb. Smilax lanceaefolia Roxb. Smilax ornata Hook.	46	Smilax china Linn.

5.	Hapusha	Juniperus communis Linn. Tamarix gallica Linn. Flueggea leucopyrus Willd. Juniperus macropoda Boiss.	48	Juniperus communis Linn.
6.	Vidanga	Embelia ribes Burm. f. Embelia tsjeriam-cottam A. DC. Myrsine africana Linn.	50	Embelia ribes Burm. f.
7.	Tumburu	Zanthoxylum alatum Roxb. Zanthoxylum rhesta DC.	54	Zanthoxylum alatum Roxb.
8.	Katuka	Picrorhiza kurroa Royle. Gentiana kurroa Royle Helleborus niger Linn.	67	Picrorhiza kurroa Royle.
9.	Rasna	Pluchia lanceolata Oliver & Hiern. Inula racemosa Hook. Vanda roxburghii R. Br. Acampe papillosa Lindl. Tylophora asthmatica W. & A. Polygonum glabrum Willd. Heliotropium strigosum Willd. Lepidagathis trinervis Nees.	76	Pluchia lanceolata Oliver & Hiern.
10.	Machika	Solanum nigrum Linn. Hibiscus cannabinus Linn. Tamarix articulata Vahl. Tamarix gallica Linn.	82	Tamarix articulata Vahl.
11.	Jyotishmati	Celastrus paniculatus Willd. Cardiospermum halicacabum Linn.	86	Celastrus paniculatus Willd.
12.	Kushtha	Saussurea lappa C. B. Clarke Saussurea hypoleuca Spreng. Salvia lanata Roxb. Inula racemosa Hook. f. Senecio jacquemontianus Sm. Costus speciosus	87	Saussurea lappa C. B. Clarke
13.	Pushkaramula	Inula racemosa Hook. f. Iris germanica Linn. Iris florentina Linn.	91	Inula racemosa Hook. f.
14.	Katuparni	Argemone mexicana Linn. Euphorbia thomsoniana Boiss. Garcinia morella Desr. Euphorbia pilosa Linn.	93	Argemone mexicana Linn.

15.	Karkatashrungi	<i>Pistacia integerrima</i> Stew. <i>Rhus succedania</i> Linn.	95	<i>Pistacia integerrima</i> Stew.
16.	Kataphala	<i>Myrica esculenta</i> Buch.-Ham. <i>Myristica malabarica</i> Lam. <i>Careya arborea</i> Roxb.	97	<i>Myrica esculenta</i> Buch.-Ham.
17.	Bharangi	<i>Clerodendrum serratum</i> Spreng. <i>Picrasma quassioides</i> Ben. <i>Premna herbacea</i> Roxb. <i>Clerodendrum siphonanthus</i> R.Br.	98	<i>Clerodendrum serratum</i> Spreng.
18.	Pashanabheda	<i>Saxifraga ligulata</i> Wall. <i>Aerva lanata</i> Juss. <i>Kalanchoe pinnata</i> Pers. <i>Coleus aromaticus</i> Benth. <i>Homonoia riparia</i> Lour. <i>Rotula aquatica</i> Lour. <i>Ocimum basilicum</i> Linn. <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> Linn. <i>Ammania baccifera</i> Linn. <i>Bridelia retusa</i> Spreng. <i>Didymocarpus pedicillata</i> R. Br.	101	<i>Saxifraga ligulata</i> Wall.
19.	Daruharidra	<i>Berberis aristata</i> DC. <i>Berberis asiatica</i> Roxb. <i>Berberis lyceum</i> Royle	114	<i>Berberis aristata</i> DC.
20.	Bakuchi	<i>Psoralea corylifolia</i> Linn. <i>Vernonia anthelmintica</i> Willd.	119	<i>Psoralea corylifolia</i> Linn.
21.	Chakra marda	<i>Cassia tora</i> Linn. <i>Cassia obtusifolia</i> Linn.	121	<i>Cassia tora</i> Linn.
22.	Ativisha	<i>Aconitum heterophyllum</i> Wall. <i>Aconitum palmatum</i> D. Don <i>Cryptocornye spiralis</i> Fisch.	122	<i>Aconitum heterophyllum</i> Wall.
23.	Lodhra	<i>Symplocos racemosa</i> Roxb. <i>Symplocos crataegoides</i> Buch. <i>Excoecaria agallocha</i> Linn.	124	<i>Symplocos racemosa</i> Roxb.
24.	Rasona	<i>Allium sativum</i> Linn. <i>Allium ascalonicum</i> Linn. <i>Allium leptophyllum</i> Willd.	126	<i>Allium sativum</i> Linn.
25.	Palandu	<i>Allium cepa</i> Linn. <i>Urgenia indica</i> Kunth. <i>Scilla indica</i> Baker	130	<i>Allium cepa</i> Linn.

Table 2: Sandigdha dravyas mentioned in Karpuradi varga:

Sr. No.	Name of the Drug	Controversy regarding to drug	Page no.	Suggested drug
1.	Latakasturi	<i>Hibiscus abelmoscheus</i> Linn. <i>Salix caprea</i> Linn. <i>Hibiscus tetraphyllus</i> Roxb.	175	<i>Hibiscus abelmoscheus</i> Linn.
2.	Agaru	<i>Aquilaria agallocha</i> Roxb. <i>Aquilaria malaccensis</i> Lam. <i>Dysoxylum labaricum</i> Bedd. <i>Vepris bilocularis</i> W. & A. <i>Anaphalis neelgerriana</i> DC.	185	<i>Aquilaria agallocha</i> Roxb.
3.	Devadaru	<i>Cedrus deodara</i> Roxb. <i>Polialthia longifolia</i> Benth. & Hook. f.	187	<i>Cedrus deodara</i> Roxb.
4.	Sarala	<i>Pinus longifolia</i> Roxb. <i>Pinus excelsa</i> Wall. <i>Pinus khasya</i> Royle	189	<i>Pinus longifolia</i> Roxb.
5.	Tagara	<i>Valeriana wallichii</i> DC. <i>Valeriana officinalis</i> Linn. <i>Valeriana hardwickii</i> Wall. <i>Asarum europaeum</i> Linn. <i>Salinum vaginatum</i> Wall.	190	<i>Valeriana wallichii</i> DC.

6.	Kunduru- Shallaki niryasa	Gum resin of <i>Boswellia serrata</i> Roxb. Gum resin of <i>Boswellia carterii</i> Birdw. <i>Styrax benzoin</i> Dryand	202	Gum resin of <i>Boswellia serrata</i> Roxb.
7.	Sthula ela	<i>Amomum subulatum</i> Roxb. <i>Amomum aromaticum</i> Roxb. <i>Peucedanum grande</i> C.B. Clarke	211	<i>Amomum subulatum</i> Roxb.
8.	Sukshma ela	<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i> Maton. <i>Heracleum rigens</i> Wall.	212	<i>Elettaria cardamomum</i> Maton.
9.	Nagakesara	<i>Mesua ferrea</i> Linn. <i>Ochrocarpus longifolius</i> Benth. & Hook.	219	<i>Mesua ferrea</i> Linn.
10.	Hribera	<i>Pavonia odorata</i> willd. <i>Coleus vettiveroides</i> K.C. <i>Jacob Limnophilia indica</i> Linn.	227	<i>Pavonia odorata</i> willd.
11.	Mura	<i>Helicteres isora</i> Linn. <i>Erythriana stricta</i> Roxb. <i>Selinum tenuifolium</i> Wall.	236	<i>Helicteres isora</i> Linn.
12.	Gandhapalashi	<i>Hedychium spicatum</i> Ham. <i>Kaempferia galangal</i> Linn.	236	<i>Hedychium spicatum</i> Ham.
13.	Priyangu	<i>Callicarpa macrophylla</i> Vahl. <i>Prunus mahaleb</i> Linn. <i>Aglaia roxburghiana</i> Miq.	237	<i>Callicarpa macrophylla</i> Vahl.
14.	Renuka	<i>Piper aurantiacum</i> Wall. <i>Symphorema polyandrum</i> Wight <i>Vitex agnus-castus</i> Linn.	240	<i>Piper aurantiacum</i> Wall.
15.	Granthiparna	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i> Linn. <i>Angelica glauca</i> Edgw. <i>Ocimum basilicum</i> Linn. <i>Clerodendrum infortunatum</i> Linn	241	<i>Polygonum aviculare</i> Linn.
16.	Sthaunyeka	<i>Clerodendrum infortunatum</i> Linn. <i>Polygonum aviculare</i> Linn. <i>Angelica glauca</i> Edgw.	242	<i>Clerodendrum infortunatum</i> Linn
17.	Talisapatra	<i>Abies webbiana</i> Lindl. <i>Taxus baccata</i> Linn. <i>Rhododendron anthopogon</i> D. Don. <i>Cinnamomum tamala</i> Flacourtia <i>cataphracta</i> Roxb.	244	<i>Abies webbiana</i> Lindl.
18.	Gandhako kila	<i>Luvunga scandens</i> Roxb. <i>Cicca acida</i> Linn.	249	<i>Luvunga scandens</i> Roxb.
19.	Elavaluka	<i>Prunus cerasus</i> Linn. <i>Gisekia pharnaceoides</i> Linn.	251	<i>Prunus cerasus</i> Linn.
20.	Kaivarta musta	<i>Cyperus plastysilis</i> Br. <i>Cyperus amabilis</i> Vahl. <i>Zannichellia palustris</i> Linn. <i>Potamogeton pectinatus</i> Linn. <i>Celosia argentea</i> Linn.	252	<i>Cyperus plastysilis</i> Br.
21.	Sprukka	<i>Marsilia quadrifoliata</i> L. <i>Trifolium officinale</i> L. <i>Delphinium zalil</i> A & H. <i>Anisomeles malabarica</i> R. Br.	253	<i>Delphinium zalil</i> A & H.

Table 3: Sandigdha dravyas mentioned in Guduchyadi varga:

Sr. No.	Name of the Drug	Controversy regarding to drug	Page no.	Suggested drug
1.	Gambhari	<i>Gmelina arborea</i> Linn. <i>Premna flavescens</i> Ham. <i>Trewia nudiflora</i> Linn.	265	<i>Gmelina arborea</i> Linn.
2.	Patala	<i>Stereospermum suaveolens</i> DC. <i>Stereospermum chelonoides</i> DC. <i>Schrebera swietenoides</i> Roxb.	266	<i>Stereospermum suaveolens</i> DC.
3.	Shyonaka	<i>Oroxylum indicum</i> Vent. <i>Alianthus excelsa</i> Roxb.	271	<i>Oroxylum indicum</i> Vent.

4.	Shalaparni	Desmodium gangeticum DC. Uraria picta Desv. Uraria lagopoides DC.	273	Desmodium gangeticum DC.	22.	Nagabala	Sida humilis Cav. Sida spinosa Linn. Grewia hirsuta Vanb. Grewia populifolia Vahl.	356	Sida humilis Cav.
5.	Prishniparni	Uraria picta Desv. Desmodium gangeticum DC. Uraria lagopoides DC.	274	Uraria picta Desv.	23.	Karpasi	Gossypium herbaceum Linn. Gossypium arboretum Linn. Thespesia lampas Dalz & Gibs Hibiscus cancellatus Roxb.	359	Gossypium herbaceum Linn.
6.	Brihati	Solanum indicum Linn. Solanum torvum Swartz Solanum melongana Linn.	275	Solanum indicum Linn.	24.	Nala	Phragmites kirka Trin. ex Steud. Lobelia nicotianaefolia Heyne.	362	Phragmites kirka Trin. ex Steud.
7.	Gokshura	Tribulus terrestris Linn. Tribulus alatus Del. Acanthospermum hispidum DC.	279	Tribulus terrestris Linn.	25.	Katrana	Cymbopogon martini Wats. Cymbopogon citratus Wats. Cymbopogon jwarancusa Wats.	368	Cymbopogon martini Wats.
8.	Jivanti	Leptadenia reticulata W. & A. Dendrobium macraei Lindl. Dregia volubilis L.f. Benth Cimicifuga foetida L. Holostemma rheedianum Spreng.	282	Leptadenia reticulata W. & A.	26.	Bhutrana	Cymbopogon citratus Wats. Cymbopogon jwarancusa Wats.	369	Cymbopogon citratus Wats.
9.	Snuhi	Euphorbia nerrifolia Linn. Euphorbia acaulis Roxb. Euphorbia nivulia Buch. & Ham. Euphorbia antiquorum Linn. Euphorbia trigona Haw. Euphorbia tirucalli Linn. Euphorbia royleana Boiss.	293	Euphorbia nerrifolia Linn.	27.	Varahikanda	Dioscorea bulbifera Linn. Tacca aspera Roxb.	372	Dioscorea bulbifera Linn.
10.	Snuhibheda- Saptala	Euphorbia tirucalli Linn. Acacia concinna DC. Euphorbia dracunculoides Lam.	296	Euphorbia tirucalli Linn.	28.	Vidarikanda	Pueraria tuberosa DC. Trichosanthes cordata Roxb. Ipomoea digitata Linn. Dioscorea pentaphylla Linn. Lettsonia setosa Roxb.	373	Pueraria tuberosa DC.
11.	Langali	Gloriosa superba Linn. Costus speciosus Sm.	299	Gloriosa superba Linn.	29.	Shweta musali	Asparagus adscendens Roxb. Chlorophytum arundinaceum Baker	377	Asparagus adscendens Roxb.
12.	Dhatura	Datura metel Linn. Datura stramonium Linn. Datura innoxia Miller	303	Datura metel Linn.	30.	Patha	Cissampelos paeira Linn. Cyclea peltata H.f. & T. Cyclea burmanni Miers.	381	Cissampelos paeira Linn.
13.	Vasa	Adhatoda vasica Nees Adhatoda beddomei C.B. Clarke Justicia picta Linn.	306	Adhatoda vasica Nees	31.	Trivritta	Operculina turpethum S. Marsdenia tenacissima W. & A.	383	Operculina turpethum S.
14.	Parpata	Fumaria indica Pugsley. Oldenandia corymbosa Linn. Polycarpea corymbosa Lam. Justicia procumbens Linn. Glossocardia linearifolia Cass. Mollugo stricta Linn.	309	Fumaria indica Pugsley.	32.	Danti	Baliospermum montanum Muell. Croton tiglium Linn. Croton polyandrum Jatropa curcas L.	385	Baliospermum montanum Muell.
15.	Mahani mba	Melia azedarach Linn. Ailanthus excels Roxb.	317	Melia azedarach Linn.	33.	Indravaran	Citrullus colocynthis Schrad Cucumis trigonus Roxb. Trichosanthes palmata Roxb.	389	Citrullus colocynthis Schrad
16.	Kanchanara	Bauhinia variegata Linn. Bauhinia purpurea Linn. Bauhinia tomentosa Linn.	322	Bauhinia variegata Linn.	34.	Sharapunkha	Tephrosia purpurea Linn. Tephrosia villosa Pers.	393	Tephrosia purpurea Linn.
17.	Aparajita	Clitoria ternatea Linn. Evolvulus alsinoides Linn. Convolvulus pluricaulis Choisy. Symphorema polyandrum Wight. Vallaris solanacea Kuntze. Canscora decussata Schult	327	Clitoria ternatea Linn.	35.	Vruddhadaru	Argyrea speciosa Sweet. Ipomoea biloba Forsk. Ipomoea petaloidea Chois.	394	Argyrea speciosa Sweet.
18.	Nirgundi	Vitex negundo Linn. Vitex trifolia Linn. Nyctanthes arbour-tristis Symphorema polyandrum Wight. Buddleja asiatica Lour.	329	Vitex negundo Linn.	36.	Gandhaprasarini	Paederia foetida Linn. Merremia tridentate Hall.f. Convolvulus arvensis Linn. Leptadenia spartium Wt.	409	Paederia foetida Linn.
19.	Chilhaka	Casearia tomentosa Roxb. Casearia esculenta Roxb. Salacia chinensis Linn.	344	Casearia tomentosa Roxb.	37.	Trayama	Delphinium zilil Aitch. & Hemsl. Thalictrum foliolosum DC. Ficus heterophylla Linn.	416	Delphinium zilil Aitch. & Hemsl.
20.	Tankari	Clerodendrum phlomidis Physalis minima Linn. Physalis indica Linn.	345	Physalis minima Linn.	38.	Murva	Marsdenia tenacissima W. & A. Sansevieria roxburghiana schult. Bauhinia vahlii W. & A. Clematis gouriana Roxb. Maerua arenaria Hook. Helicteres isora Linn.	419	Marsdenia tenacissima W. & A.
21.	Vetasa	Salix caprea Linn. Calamus tenuis Roxb.	345	Salix caprea Linn.	39.	Kakanasa	Pentatropis capensis Linn. Asclepias curassavica Linn. Martynia diandra Glox. Thunbergia alata Boj.	424	Pentatropis capensis Linn.
					40.	Kaka jangha	Peristrophe bicalyculata Nees. Vitex peduncularis Wall. Leea hirta Roxb.	426	Peristrophe bicalyculata Nees.
					41.	Meshashringi	Gymnema sylvestre R.Br. Dolichandrone falcata Seem.	428	Gymnema sylvestre R.Br.

42.	Somalata	Ephedra gerardiana Wall. Sarcostemma brevistigma W. & A. Amanita muscaria Linn. Periploca aphylla Decne. Ceropegia species Peganum harmala Linn.	430	Ephedra gerardiana Wall.
43.	Akashavali	Cuscuta reflexa Roxb. Cassytha filiformis Linn.	433	Cuscuta reflexa Roxb.
44.	Vanda	Loranthus longiflorus Desr. Viscum album Linn.	435	Loranthus longiflorus Desr.
45.	Vamshapatari	Setaria glauca Beauv. Oplismenus burmanii Beauv.	437	Setaria glauca Beauv.
46.	Sarpakshi	Opiorrhiza mungos Linn. Polygonum plebejum R. Br.	438	Opiorrhiza mungos Linn.
47.	Shamkhapushti	Convolvulus pluricaulis Chois. Evolvulus alsinoides Linn. Canscora decussate Schult	439	Convolvulus pluricaulis Chois.
48.	Lajjalu	Mimosa pudica Linn. Neptunia oleracea Lour. Biophytum sensitivum DC.	442	Mimosa pudica Linn.
49.	Dugdika	Euphorbia hirta Linn. Euphorbia thymifolia Linn. Euphorbia microphylla Linn. Euphorbia hypericifolia Linn.	444	Euphorbia hirta Linn.
50.	Gojihva	Onosma bracteatum Wall. Elephantopus scaber L. Coccinia glauca Savi Launaea aspleniifolia Hook.	456	Onosma bracteatum Wall.
51.	Nagadamani	Sansevieria roxburghiana schult. Crinum asiaticum Linn. Pupalia lappacea Moq.	458	Sansevieria roxburghiana schult.
52.	Sudarshana	Crinum latifolium Linn. Crinum asiaticum Linn. Tinospora malabarica Miers.	461	Crinum latifolium Linn.
53.	Akhukarni	Ipomoea reniformis Chois. Evolvulus nummularis Linn. Synogramme vestita Wall.	462	Ipomoea reniformis Chois.
54.	Mayurashikha	Elephantopus scaber Linn. Actinopteris dichotoma Bedd. Adiantum caudatum Linn. Celosia cristata Linn.	463	Elephantopus scaber Linn.

Table 4: Sandigdha dravyas mentioned in Pushpa varga:

Sr. No.	Name of the Drug	Controversy regarding to drug	Page no.	Suggested drug
1.	Sthala padma	Ionidium suffruticosum Ging. Hibiscus mutabilis Linn.	469	Ionidium suffruticosum Ging.
2.	Kumuda	Nymphaea alba Linn. Nymphaea rubra Roxb. Nymphaea pubescens Willd. Nymphaea stellata Willd.	470	Nymphaea alba Linn.
3.	Variparni	Pistia stratiotes Linn. Eichhornia crassipes Solms.	471	Pistia stratiotes Linn.
4.	Shaivala	Ceretophyllum demersum Linn. Vellisneria spiralis Linn.	472	Ceretophyllum demersum Linn.
5.	Malati	Jasminum grandiflorum Linn. Aganosma caryophyllata G. Don.	477	Jasminum grandiflorum Linn.

6.	Kadamba	Anthocephalus cadamba Miq. Mytragyna parvifolia Korth Adina cordifolia Benth.& Hook.	482	Anthocephalus cadamba Miq.
7.	Karnikara	Erythrina indica L. Cassia fistula Abroma augusta Pterospermum acerifolium Pterospermum suberifolium	486	Erythrina indica L.
8.	Ashoka	Saraca indica Linn. Polyalthia longifolia Benth.& Hook.	487	Saraca indica Linn.

Table 5: Sandigdha dravyas mentioned in Vatadi varga:

Sr. No.	Name of the Drug	Controversy regarding to drug	Page no.	Suggested drug
1.	Nandivriksha	Ficus retusa Linn. Ficus altissima Blume Ficus microcarpa Linn.	503	Ficus retusa Linn.
2.	Shala	Shorea robusta Gaertn.f. Dipterocarpus alatus Roxb.	508	Shorea robusta Gaertn.f.
3.	Arjuna	Terminalia arjuna W. & A. Terminalia myriocarpa H. & M. Lactuca serriola Linn. Lactuca indica Linn.	511	Terminalia arjuna W. & A.
4.	Rohitaka	Tecomella undulata Seem. Amoora rohituka W. & A.	515	Tecomella undulata Seem.
5.	Katabhi	Albizia procera Roxb. Careya arborea Roxb.	531	Careya arborea Roxb.
6.	Jalakshirika	Trichodesma zeylanicum R.Br. Dalbergia volubilis Roxb.	533	Trichodesma zeylanicum R.Br.
7.	Tinisha	Ougeinia dalbergioides Benth. Lagerstroemia flos-reginae Retz.	535	Ougeinia dalbergioides Benth.

DISCUSSION

India is blessed with one of the richest floras in the world and still there are hundreds of species. Natural sources of medicinal plants are often unable to meet demand for popular herbal drugs. As per the above references it is observed that there are 25 controversial drugs are mentioned in *Haritakyadi varga*, 21 drugs are mentioned in *Karpuradi varga*, 54 drugs are mentioned in *Guduchyadi varga*, 8 drugs are mentioned in *Pushpa varga*, 7 drugs are mentioned in *Vatadi varga* and total 115 controversial drugs are mentioned in *Bhavaprakasha nighantu*. Due to the polynomial nomenclature system of medicinal plant names in Sanskrit texts, each classical plant is attributed with many botanical sources i.e. *Aparajita* and *Shamkhapushti* both are in controversy with each other due to having same synonym *Vishnukranta*. Disruption in traditional teaching and training, non availability of raw material, unwanted dependency over substitutes, documentation defects in the manuscripts and falsification of *Vaidyas* themselves in identifying herbs are certain practical viewpoints which are also responsible in creating controversy. Different plant species are taken as *Rasna* according to region. *Shalaparni* and *Prishniparni* are both in controversy in each other due to recognition of *Vaidyas*. *Murva* is included in the controversy of *Trivritta*. Current practice of Ayurvedic physician and Industry is to use one of the several alternative herbs that are considered equivalent to Ayurvedic plant drugs. However, these initiatives would imperatively need establishing correct identity of the plant drug.

CONCLUSION

From the above compilation of controversial drug, it is observed that varieties of plant species have been coined according to numerous criteria like synonyms, non availability of drugs, substitutions, different opinions of Ayurveda physicians and regions. In this article an attempt has been made to find out the controversial drugs from *Bhavaprakasha nighantu*. So that proper identity of the plant can be established and it can be made easy to establish pharmacopoeial standards of classical Ayurvedic medicinal plants by the government.

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