

MN OF JAMMU Bauhinia variegata L.

Family: Fabaceae

Common name: Orchid tree IF R.S.

Local name: Kachnar

Importance:

- Vegetable is prepared in yogurt; flower buds are added to yogurt to make *raita* or *aasara*, pickled.
- Bark is traditionally used as tonic and in treatment of ulcers.

The roots are used as antidote to snake poison.

It is also useful in skin diseases.