PLANT FACT SHEET

Megacodon stylophorus (C.B.Clarke)H.Smith

GENUS *Megacodon* **FAMILY** Gentianaceae

COMMON NAMES Pile jhar

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves

The tender leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows to about 30-60 cm high. The leaves have short stalks. Leaves are 10-30 cm long. They are oval and taper to the tip. The flowers have stalks. They occur in the axils of leaves. They are yellow. The fruit is a capsule. It is cylindrical.

HABITAT

It is a temperate plant. It grows in Nepal between 3000-4000 m altitude. It grows on moist ground among shrubs. In Sichuan and Yunnan.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

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