PLANT FACT SHEET

Cyanotis tuberosa Roem. and Schult.

GENUS *Cyanotis* **FAMILY** Commelinaceae

COMMON NAMES Sahyadri dew-grass, Greater cat ears

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Rhizome

The leaves are used as a potherb.
The rhizome is chewed for its moisture.
The tuberous root is cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A succulent herb. It is creeping. It grows 20-90 cm tall. It forms tubers. The stems are hairy on one side. The leaves are 15-25 cm long and 1-2 cm wide. They grow from the roots. The upper stem leaves are shorter. The flowers are bluish-purple. They are enclosed in a pair of oval folded bracts. The fruit is an oval capsule. The seeds are black.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in forests and on hills. It grows among wet rocks.

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