PLANT FACT SHEET

Acalypha peduncularis Meisn. ex C. Krauss

GENUS *Acalypha* **FAMILY** Euphorbiaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Root, Leaves

The roots are eaten as a snack.
The leaves are cooked as a vegetable.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows 15-45 cm tall. The stems are stout and hairy. They come from a woody rootstock. The leaves are alternate and oval to sword shaped. They are hairy and there are coarse teeth along the edge. The male and female flowers are separate in spikes. The male ones are in the axils of leaves and the female ones are at the end of branches. Male spikes have many flowers and female spikes occur singly. The flowers are 3 mm long and white. The fruit is a 3 chambered. 3-lobed capsules. The seeds are a flattened round shape.

HABITAT

It is a subtropical plant.

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