PLANT FACT SHEET

Chlorophytum khasianum Hook. f.

GENUS *Chlorophytum* **FAMILY** Asparagaceae

COMMON NAMES Chyali

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Roots, Leaves

The roots are boiled and eaten.
Tender leaves and shoots are cooked and eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A herb. It grows 50 cm high. The leaves are at the base. They are 30-45 cm long by 0.5-0.8 cm wide. They are narrow and thin. The flowers are yellowish. They occur in clusters.

HABITAT

A tropical and subtropical plant. In Nepal it grows between 1200-1300 m altitude. It grows on moist, rocky ground.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seed.

NOTES

There are between 100-150-215 Chlorophytum species. They are mostly in the tropics.
Also put in the family Anthericaceae and family Liliaceae.

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