PLANT FACT SHEET

Raphistemma hooperianum (Blume) Decaisne

GENUS *Raphistemma* **FAMILY** Apocynaceae

COMMON NAMES Chong angka

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Leaves, Flowers, Fruit

The young leaves, flowers and fruit are eaten cooked.

DESCRIPTION

A herbaceous climber. It grows on large trees. The stems are 5 m long. The leaves are oval and 4-16 cm long by 2-12 cm wide. There are fine hairs on the veins. The flowers are tube shaped and white. The fruit are follicles 13-18 cm long by 4-6 cm wide. The seeds are flat.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It climbs on trees in secondary forest. It is often near houses. In southern China it grows between 400-800 m above sea level.

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