

Eulophia herbacea (Amarkand)



Botanical Name	<i>Eulophia herbacea</i> (Dennst.) (ORCHIDACEAE)
Vernacular Name	Churikand, Amarkand
Description	It is a perennial plant producing 2 - 3 leaves 15 - 29cm long on a central stem 25 - 50cm tall. The stem grows up from a pseudobulb that is borne above soil level. The plant is harvested from the wild for local use as a food.
Regional Distribution	Bargarh, Bolangir, Dhenkanal, Gajapati, Kalahandi, Koraput, Mayurbhanj
Global Distribution	India, Indo-China and Indo Malesian region.
Elevation Range (m)	100-800 m
Part Used	Tubers
Action & Uses	Gastro-intestinal disorder, laxative, worm infestation, Anti-oxidant.
Folk Use	Indigestion, Constipation
Threats	Hm, L, Tp, Sf.
INCU Threat Status (Odisha)	A2c, d
Status in Other State	Near Threatened (NT)