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## Arisaema shivadasanii S.R.Yadav, K.S.Patil \& Janarth.

Botanical name: Arisaema sivadasanii S.R.Yadav, K.S.Patil \& Janarth.

## Vernacular name: -

Family : Araceae
Threatened category: Vulnerable (Gaikwad \& Yadav, 2004).
Key characters: Terrestrial plants, spadix sessile, Flowers unisexual.
Description: Terrestrial herb. Corms globose-depressed; roots fibrous, arising from the top of the corm. Leaf usually solitary; petiole about 150 cm long, 3.5 cm diameter; leaflets $7-9,30 \times 11 \mathrm{~cm}$, sessile or subsessile, acuminate, margins crisped, bright green above, glaucous below. Spathe up to 17 cm long, tube up to $7 \times 2.5 \mathrm{~cm}$, limb up to 20 cm long, differentiated into basal pistilate portion about 2 cm in length, staminate protion 3 cm in length and an appendage usually about 10 cm long. Pistillate flowers many, compactly arranged; staminate flowers stalked. Berries about 6 mm in diameter, 6-10 seeded, ripen red.

Flowering and fruiting: August - November.
Distribution: India - Maharashtra- Sindhudurg.
Localities: Kolhapur (Amboli)
Ecology: Along road side and forest borders at higher altitudes $500-800 \mathrm{~m}$ in Western Ghats.

Association: No specific association observed.


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1.Habit, 2.Inflorescence, 3. Stem,4. \& 5.Male flower, 6. Leaf-dorsal view, 7. Leaf- ventral view


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1.Dhule 2.Jalgaon 3. Buldhana 4.Akola 5.Amaravati 6.Wardha 7.Nagpur 8. Bhandara 9. Gadchiroli 10. Chandrapur 11. Yavatmal 12. Nanded 13. Parbhani 14. Jalna 15. Aurangabad 16.Latur 17. Beed 18. Ahmadnagar 19 Nashik 20. Thane 21. Pune 22. Osmanabad 23. Solapur 24.Satara 25. Sangli 26. Raigad 27. Kolhapur 28. Sindhudurg 29. Ratnagiri 30.Mumbai 31.Greater Mumbai.


Distribution in following districts

1. Kolhalpur (Amboli).

Geographical distribution in Maharashtra:
Latitude (DMS): $17^{\circ} 43^{\prime}$ ON \& Longitude (DMS): $73^{\circ} 32^{\prime} \mathrm{E}$.

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