# Diversity of weed flora of Bharsar, Pauri Garhwal (Uttarakhand), India

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Abstract: Uttarakhand is a hill state, situated in central Himalaya. It differs from the plains in topography, elevation, geographic features, ethnic diversity, land use system, socio-economic conditions and diversity of habitats for flora and fauna. Among the diversity of habitats for flora, weeds cause enormous reduction in crop yield, wastage of resources and human energy and are also a health hazard to human being. Therefore, adequate and timely suppression of weeds is essential. Detail information about the weeds of any region is essential for deciding a weed control method. To study the diversity of weed flora in Bharsar region for weed identification purpose a field survey was conducted from 2012 to 2015 in a different blocks namely Medicinal and Aromatic Plants; Floriculture and Land Architecture; Potato Farm, Apple Orchard, Tea, Organic, Vegetable, Kiwi, Farm of Krishi Vigyan Kendra and Fruit Nursery under College of Horticulture, VCSG Uttarakhand University of Horticulture, Bharsar, Uttarakhand. This extensive field survey revealed that the more than 100 weeds were present in this region. Among all, weeds from two family viz. Asteraceae and Poaceae were found dominant.

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#### I. Introduction

Jethro Tull [1] in his much revered book "Horse Hoeing Husbandry" first time defined 'a weed as a plant can grow where it is not desired'. Zimdahl [2] defines a weed as "a herbaceous plant not valued for use or beauty, growing wild and rank, and regarded as cumbering the ground or hindering the growth of superior vegetation". Macneish [3] believed weeds have been existing on the earth ever since the man started domesticating/ cultivating plants and animals around 10, 000 B.C. - the most significant single occurrence in human history. DeWet and Harlan [4] selected three classes of plants in nature: i) wild plants (which grow naturally outside the human disturbed habitat), ii) weeds (which thrive in habitats that are continuously disturbed by humans), and iii) domesticates/ crops (which are artificially propagated and often require cultivation and care by humans in order to grow and make use of environmental resources). Weeds have been recognized as a problem since the beginning of agriculture and the battle against weeds is a never ending one. Weed management often appear the costliest agronomic effort for the success in crop production. Das [5] thought between humans and continuing food supply, there stand four natural hazards, e.g. weather, weeds, insect pests and plant diseases. These hazards sometimes work independently and many times hand in hand. Dangwal et al. [6] reported weeds grow in association with agricultural crops and bring about significant decline in yield through their competition with crop plants for sunlight, space, nutrients etc. However, some weeds are also allelopathic in nature Oudhia and Tripathi [7], [8]. Holm et al., [9] estimated that out of about 8000 weed species growing in world, only 250 are of particular importance to agricultural crops.

In view of significant yield decline by weeds in different crops, numerous studies have been carried out on various aspects of weed biology and control in India. In general, seasonal long competition for major weeds culminates in yield reduction to an extent of 15-40 % in this context. Kaul [10] studied the weed flora in Kashmir valley and reported 401 weed species belonging to 251 genera and 56 angiosperm families. Shailey and Gaur [11] studied the phyto-sociological association of crops and weeds of Pauri Garhwal district of Uttarakhand, India and recorded 180 weed species belonging to 50 angiosperm families. The dominant dicot families were *Amaranthaceae*, *Apiaceae*, *Asteraceae*, *Brassicaceae* and *Commelinaceae*; and *Poaceae* from monocot families. Singh et al., [12] studied the phytosociological association of weeds in winter crops of Kashmir valley. Gupta et al., [13] studied the dynamics of cereal crop weeds of Doon valley, Uttarakhand with special reference to rice, maize and wheat fields. They reported about 151 weed species belonging to 118 genera, 31 families; 57 weeds were reported from rice, 77 from maize and 71 from wheat fields. With this background, the present investigation was undertaken to achieve the diversity of weed flora in different blocks of College of Horticulture, Bharsar.

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# II. Materials and methods

#### 2.1 Location and Climate

The college of Horticulture, VCSG UUHF, Bharsar is situated at  $30.06^{0}$  N Latitude,  $78.99^{0}$  E Longitude and at the altitude of 1900 meters above the mean sea level under temperate climate. Generally, days of Bharsar are fairly warm followed by cool nights in summers. The area receives adequate sunshine hours whereas the growing period is shorter due to long winter. The main features of the Bharsar climate are mild hot summers, higher precipitation during rainy season, prolonged cold winters and occasional snow fall during winter season. The climatic factors such as precipitation, temperature, relative humidity and wind, in association with elevation, slope aspects, drainage, vegetation, etc. are responsible for the niche micro-climate of this region.

#### 2.2 Soil

Soil texture, colour and nature represent wide range of variations, depending upon geology, altitude, slope aspects, climate, vegetation and biological and chemical interactions of particular site. Soils are medium texture clay-loam and deep profile depth 1 to 2 meter. Bharsar region soils are slightly acidic (pH 5.5-6.0) in nature with high organic carbon (0.9-1.2%) content. Mineralization rate is slow although, these soils are medium in available nitrogen (290-300 kg/ha) and phosphorous ( $P_2O_5$  23-42 kg/ha); rich in potassium ( $K_2O$  380-440 kg/ha), with the exception of some cultivated fields.

#### 2.3 Weeds

Weeds, like many plants are known by three names *viz*, common name, scientific name/ botanical name and regional/ local name "Table 2". The present study was undertaken to find out common weeds of Bharsar under cultivation in different blocks viz, Medicinal and Aromatic Plants; Floriculture and Land Architecture; Potato Farm; Apple Orchard; Tea; Organic; Vegetable; Kiwi; Farm of Krishi Vigyan Kendra and Fruit Nursery of College of Horticulture, VCSG Uttarakhand University of Horticulture and Forestry, Bharsar, Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand, India. Extensive field surveys were conducted during different months of *Rabi* and *Kharif* crop season of 2012-15. Randomly three sites were selected in each block of the College of Horticulture. Weeds were collected from all the sites of the study area at seedling, premature & maturity/ harvesting stages of Medicinal and Aromatic, ornamentals, vegetables and fruit trees. During this period survey of weeds in different block, interviews with block supervisor, workers/ farmers, agriculturists and horticulturists' alongwith botanists were conducted to collect information about the seasonal weed plants and their vernacular names, if known. The collected weed plants were photographed and systematically identified with the help of available literature *viz*, monographs, magazines, journals, textbooks etc.

## III. Results and Discussion

During *Rabi* and *Kharif* season, total 107 weed species belonging to two monocot and thirty seven dicot families were found in the said survey of the college campus. The predominance was shown by *Asteraceae* with 18 weed species and *Poaceae* with 16 weed species, which included some major weed species; while *Fabaceae* have 6 weed species; *Polygonaceae*, *Rosaceae* have 5 weed species. Each rest of the families has less than 5 number of weed species, were represented as minor weeds "Table 1".

<b>Table 1:</b> Name of weed's family,	No. of weeds and	their proportion/	share under specific family
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S. No.	Family	No. of weeds	Proportion (%)	Re	Remarks	
1	Asteraceae	18	16.82	Dicotyledonous	-	
2	Poaceae	16	14.95	-	Monocotyledonous	
3	Fabaceae	6	5.61	Dicotyledonous	-	
4	Polygonaceae	5	4.67	Dicotyledonous	-	
5	Rosaceae	5	4.67	Dicotyledonous	-	
6	Lamiaceae	4	3.74	Dicotyledonous	-	
7	Solanaceae	4	3.74	Dicotyledonous	-	
8	Convolvulaceae	4	3.74	Dicotyledonous	-	
9	Cyperaceae	4	3.74	-	Monocotyledonous	
10	Ranunculaceae	3	2.80	Dicotyledonous	-	
11	Apiaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
12	Amaranthaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
13	Araliaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
14	Brassicaceae/ Cruciferae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
15	Commelinaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
16	Oxalidaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
17	Plantaginaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
18	Rubiaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
19	Smilacaceae	2	1.87	Dicotyledonous	-	
20	Berberidaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-	

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21	Cannabinaceae/ Cannabaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
22	Caryophyllaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
23	Chenopodiaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
24	Cucurbitaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
25	Dennstaedtiaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
26	Dicksoniaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
27	Fumariaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
28	Hypericaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
29	Loranthaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
30	Papaveraceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
31	Plumbaginaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
32	Portulacaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	=
33	Primulaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
34	Saxifragaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
35	Scrophulariaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
36	Urticaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	=
37	Valerianaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
38	Vitaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-
39	Zingiberaceae	1	0.93	Dicotyledonous	-

The yield losses due to weeds are generally more than the combined losses caused by insects and pathogens together. The impact of weeds is always obscure and it becomes visible when the critical time has gone; whereas that of insects and pathogens is visible at all times. This is the reason the why the weeds are mostly ignored and on contrary the insects and pathogens attacks are given proper heed.

It is astonishing to note that Asteraceae and Poaceae existed only to the extent of 16.82 % and 14.95 % respectively, among the weed flora of the target site "Table 1". Out of total weed species reported from the study area, weeds like Heracleum candicans, Bidens bipinnata, Cirsium arvense, Conyza canadensis, Eupatorium adenophorum, Gnaphalium affine, Taraxacum officinale, Anaphalis triplinervis, Stellaria media, Cuscuta reflexa, Trifolium repens, Fumaria parviflora, Hypericum perforatum, Loranthus longiflorus, Oxalis corniculata, Oxalis latifolia, Plantago lanceolata, Plantago major, Digitaria sanguinalis, Setaria glauca, Rumex nepalensis, Rumex hastatus, Rosa multiflora, Rubus ellipticus, Rubus occidentalis, Galium aparine, Rubia manjith, Nicandra physalodes, Urtica dioica and Valeriana jatamansi are common weeds of horticultural crops. Remaining weeds are less common but present amongst the cultivated fields of the College.

Here, two monocot and thirty seven dicot families are arranged alphabetically with their botanical names, common name and available vernacular names, habits and characteristics are mentioned (Table 2). These findings are in a greater analogy with the previous work of Kaul [10] and Singh et al. [12].

Table 2: List of weed flora in Bharsar, Pauri Garhwal (Uttarakhand), India

Sl. No.	Botanical Name	Common Name	Vernacular Name	Family	Habit and Characteristics
1	Achyranthes aspera L.	Snakestail/ Prickly chaff flower/ Devil's horsewhip	Latjeera/ Chirchita/ Chirchra	Amaranthaceae	Erect, sparingly branched annual or biennial herb
2	Amaranthus viridis L.	Slender pigweed	Chaulai	Amaranthaceae	Erect glabrous much branched annual broad-leaved herb
3	Ammi visnaga (L.) Lam.	Honey plant/ Visnaga/ Tooth pick weed/ Khella	Honey plant	Apiaceae	Annual or biennial herb growing from a taproot erect to a maximum height near 80 cm.
4	Heracleum candicans Wall. Ex D.C.	White Leaf Hogweed/ Hogweed, Cow parsnip	Heracleum	Apiaceae	Upto 1.7 m in height perennial herb.
5	Hedera helix L.	Common ivy/ English ivy/ European ivy/ Just ivy	Hedera	Araliaceae	Clinging evergreen vine, Familiar sight in gardens, waste spaces, on house walls, tree trunks, growing to 20 – 30 m high.
6	Hedera nepalensis K. Koch	Himalayan Ivy/ Himalya-Efeu, Chang Chun teng	Hedera	Araliaceae	Perennial Ivy plant found at altitudes of about 1000-3000 m. Pants grows up to 30 m in height.
7	Ageratum conyzoides L.	Bill goat weed/ Chickweed/ Goat weed/ White weed	Gamlwa/ Jungli Pudina/ Visadodi/ Semandula/ Gha-	Asteraceae	Erect branched annual broad leaved herb

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			buti/ Bhakumbar		
8	Artemisia annua L.	Sweet wormwood/ Annual wormwood	Artemisia/ Pati	Asteraceae	Annual broad-leaved herb. Naturally grows from 30 to 100 cm tall
9	Artemisia nilagirica (Clarke) Pamp	Indian wormwood/ Fleabane/ Mugwort	Nagdona/ Davana	Asteraceae	Aromatic shrub, 1-2 m high, yellow or dark red small flowers, grows throughout India in hills up to 2400 m elevation.
10	Bellis perennis L.	Common daisy/ English daisy/ Lawn daisy	English daisy	Asteraceae	English daisy is a low-growing perennial
11	Bidens bipinnata L.	Spanishneedles	Spanishneedles	Asteraceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
12	Cirsium arvense (L.) Scop.	Canada thestle	Canada thestle	Asteraceae	Erect perennial leafy spiny broad leaved herb with pink or white flower
13	Circium vulgare (Savi.) Tenore	Bull thistle	Bull thistle	Asteraceae	Biennial broad- leaved herb
14	Conyza canadensis (L.) Cronquist	Horse weed/ Canadian horse weed/ Butter weed	Horse weed	Asteraceae	Conyza Canadensis (formerly Erigeron Canadensis L.) is an annual plant
15	Eupatorium adenophorum Spreng.	Kalabansa/ Croftonweed	Kalabansa	Asteraceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
16	Gnaphalium affine D. Don	Gnaphalium	Gnaphalium	Asteraceae	Annual or biennial herb up to 40 cm high, often branched from the base, densely white-woolly.
17	Hypochaeris radicata L.	Common catsear	Common catsear	Asteraceae	Perennial broadleaf plant
18	Parthenium hysterophorus L.	Gajarghas/ Chatakchandani/ Congress grass/ Carrot weed	Congress grass/ Chatak chandni	Asteraceae	Annual much branched broad leaved herb
19	Sonchus asper (L.) Hill	Prickly sow-thistle/ Rough milk thistle/ Spiny sowthistle/ Spiny-leaved sow thistle	Prickly sow-thistle	Asteraceae	Annual or biennial herb sometimes reaching a height of 200 cm with spiny leaves and yellow flowers resembling those of the dandelion.
20	Tagetes minuta L.	Wild Marigold	Jungali Genda/ Genda	Asteraceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
21	Taraxacum officinale Wiggers.	Dandelion, Common tansy	Dandelion	Asteraceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
22	Tridax procumbens L.	Tridax daisy/ Coat buttons	Ghamra	Asteraceae	Perennial procumbent hispid herb
23	Anaphalis triplinervis (Sims) C.B. Clarke	Triple-veined pearly everlasting	Anaphalis	Asteraceae	Herbaceous perennial plant. Native to the Himalayas (Tibet, Afghanistan, North India, Nepal, Bhutan). Grey-green felted leaves produce sprays of small white flower heads. Height 45- 60 cm.
24	Xanthium pennsylvanicum (Syn. Xanthium strumarium L.)	Common Cocklebur, Burweed	Cocklebur	Asteraceae	Coarse annual broad-leaved herb with spines and thorny fruits
25	Berberis aristata Roxb.	Kilmoda/Indian Barberry/ Tree Turmeric	Kilmori/ Kilmoda/ Kilmora	Berberidaceae	Native to <u>temperate</u> regions, Perennial
26	Arabis amplexicaulis Edgew.	Stem-Clasping Rock-Cress	Jungali sarso	Brassicaceae/ Cruciferae	Perennial, 20-70 cm tall, erect, usually with a single flowering stem
27	Lepidium ruderale L.	Narrow-leaf pepper wort/ roadside pepper weed/ peppergrass	Narrow leaf pepper wort	Brassicaceae/ Cruciferae	Annual herb
28	Cannabis sativa L.	Hemp/ Marijuana	Bhang	Cannabinaceae / Cannabaceae	Erect annual or perennial broad- leaved undershrub
29	Stellaria media (L.)Vill.	Common chickweed/ Chikenwort/ Craches/ Maruns/ Winter weed	Chickweed	Caryophyllacea e	Cool season annual plant. Flowers are small and white
30	Chenopodium	Common	Bathua	Chenopodiacea	Erect annual broad leaved herb

	album L.	lambsquarter/ Dogstoothgrass/ Fathen		e	
31	Commelina benghalensis L.	Tropical spiderwort/ Wandering Jaw	Kena/ Kankaua/ Kanchara	Commelinaceae	Fleshy branched annual broad leaved grass herb
32	Commelina diffusa Burm.	Climbing dayflower, spreading dayflower	Kena	Commelinaceae	Annual broad-leaved grass herb
33	Cuscuta reflexa Roxb.	Giant Dodder	Amarbel	Convolvulaceae	Parasitic weed with yellow wiry twining stem
34	Ipomoea cairica (L.) Sweet	Mile-a-minute vine/ Cairo morning glory/ Railroad creeper	Railroad creeper	Convolvulaceae	Vining perennial has palmate leaves and large, showy white to lavender flowers.
35	Ipomoea pestigrids Linn.	Tiger Foot/ Morning Glory	Panchpatia	Convolvulaceae	It is a twinning, herbaceous, hairy, annual vine.
36	Ipomoea purpurea (L.) Roth.	Tall Morning-glory	Tall Morning glory	Convolvulaceae	Tall morningglory is a summer annual broadleaf vine.
37	Diplocyclos palmatus (L.) C. Jeffrey	Native Bryony/ Striped cucumber	Shivlingi/ Native Bryony/ Striped cucumber	Cucurbitaceae	Vine in the Cucurbitaceae family
38	Cyperus difformis L.	Variable flatsedge/ Smallflower umbrella-sedge	Motha or mutha	Cyperaceae	It is a plant of aquatic and moist habitats. This is an annual herb with one to many thin, soft erect stems reaching over 30 cm in maximum height. The inflorescence is a rounded bundle. Flowers are light brown.
39	Cyperus esculentus L.	Yellow nutsedge	Motha or mutha	Cyperaceae	Top growth 8-30 inches tall. The inflorescence is yellow-brown, golden, or straw colored, and consists of an umbel of spikes borne on stalks of unequal length (1-3 inches). Contains tubers
40	Cyperus iria L.	Rice flatsedge/ Umbrella sedge	Motha or mutha	Cyperaceae	It is a tufted annual herb, or occasionally perennial, with fibrous roots, 15-75 cm tall.
41	Cyperus rotundus L.	Purple nutsedge/ nutgrass/ cocograss	Motha or mutha	Cyperaceae	Perennial erect, glabrous herb with purple inflorescence. Contains rhizomes
42	Pteridium aquilinum (L.) Kuhn	Bracken/ Brake/ Common Bracken	Fern	Dennstaedtiace ae	Herbaceous perennial plant, deciduous in winter. Arising upwards from an underground rhizome grow to 1-3 m
43	Dicksonia antarctica Labill.	Soft tree fern/ Man fern	Fern	Dicksoniaceae	Evergreen tree fern
44	Lathyrus aphaca L.	Snakestail/ Prickly chaff flower/ Devil's horsewhip	Latjeera/ Chirchita/ Chirchra	Fabaceae	Annual broad- leaved herb
45	Melilotus indica All.	Yellow sweetclover	Pili senji	Fabaceae	Annual broad leaved herb
46	Trifolium pratense L.	Red clover	Red clover	Fabaceae	Herbaceous, short lived perennial plant, grows to 20-80 cm, flowers dark pink
47	Trifolium repens L.	White clover, Dutch clover	Tinpatia	Fabaceae	Annual broad leaved herb
48	Vicia hirsuta (L.) Gray	Gray vetch/ Hairy vetch/ Tiny vetch	Akri	Fabaceae	Annual broad leaved herb
49	Vicia sativa L.	Common vetch	Akra	Fabaceae	Annual broad leaved herb
50	Fumaria indica Pugsley [Syn. Fumaria parviflora (L.) Wt. & Arn.]	Fumitory/ Bansoya	Bansoya	Fumariaceae	Annual broad-leaved prostrate herb
51	Hypericum perforatum L.	St. John's Wort/ Klamath weed/ Hypericum/ Goat weed	Balsana/ Bassant/ Dendhi	Hypericaceae	Herbaceous perennial plant widely distributed in temperate regions
52	Ajuga bracteosa Wall ex. Benth	Neel Khanti/ Kauri Booti	Bugleweed/ ground pine/ carpet bugle	Lamiaceae	Ajuga bracteosa is an evergreen perennial growing
53	Caryopteris foetida (D. Don) Thell.	Stinking bluebeard	Stinking bluebeard	Lamiaceae	Caryopteris species are erect or rambling shrubs. Shrub is

					growing about 4-6 feet tall.
54	Prunella vulgaris L.	Common self-heal/ heal-all	Common self-heal/ heal-all	Lamiaceae	Herbaceous plant and grows 5-30 cm high with creeping.
55	Scutellaria pekinensis L.	Skullcaps	Scutellaria	Lamiaceae	Annual or perennial herbaceous plants grow upto 100 cm tall, four-angled stems and opposite's leaves.
56	Loranthus longiflorus Desr.	Loranthus/ Bandagul	Loranthus/ Dendrophthoe	Loranthaceae	Parasitic plant that grow on the branches of woody trees. It derived the whole of its nutrients from juice of host plants. Loranthus seeds are spread by birds to fresh tree branches.
57	Oxalis corniculata L.	Creeping woodsorrel/ Indian sorrel/ sleeping beauty/ yellow oxalis/ yellow wood sorrel	Khatimithi/ Tin patia	Oxalidaceae	Perennial prostrate herb
58	Oxalis latifolia H.B.K.	Simple perennial woodsorrel	Khati-Mithi/ Broadleaf Woodsorrel/ Tinpatia	Oxalidaceae	Simple perennial broad- leaved herb
59	Argemone mexicana L.	Mexican pricklepoppy/ Mexican Poppy	Satyanashi	Papaveraceae	Erect branched prickly broad leaved annual herb (Yellow flower)
60	Plantago lanceolata L.	English plantain/ Narrow leaf plantain/ Rib leaf/ Lamb's tongue/ Ribwort plantain	Plantain	Plantaginaceae	Annual broad-leaved grass herb
61	Plantago major L.	Broadleaf plantain/ greater plantain	Broadleaf plantain/ greater plantain	Plantaginaceae	Annual broad leaved herb with a rosette of leaves
62	Plumbago zeylanica L.	Chitrakmool/ Ceylon Leadwort/ Doctorbush/ Wild leadwort	Chitrakmool/ Chitrak	Plumbaginacea e	Evergreen shrub that reaches about 6' in nature. Flowers are white
63	Avena sativa L.	Wild oat/ spring wild oat	Jungli Jai	Poaceae	Erect annual grass herb
64	Bromus catharticus Vahl.	Prairie grass/ Annual prairie grass/ Brome grass/ Rescue grass	Prairie grass	Poaceae	Annual or perennial grass growing up to a meter in height. The inflorescence is made up of spreading spikelets, the upper ones erect and the lower ones nodding or drooping. Each spikelet is very flat and pointed, the fruits tipped with short awns.
65	Cynodon dactylon (L.) Pers.	Bermudagrass/ Devilsgrass/ Stargrass	Doob	Poaceae	Perennial hardy branched usually prostrate herb
66	Dactyloctenium aegypticum (L.) P. Beauv. Willd.	Crowfoot grass	Makra	Poaceae	Short annual herb with creeping or erect branches
67	Digitaria abyssinica (A. Rich) Stapf	African couch grass/ Couch finger grass/ Dunn's finger/ Thangari	African couch grass/ Couch finger grass/ Dunn's finger/ Thangari	Poaceae	Perennial with slender long rhizomes and erect culm up to 30 cm high. Panicle of two to nine. Found sea level to 3000 m.
68	Digitaria sanguinalis (L.) Scop.	Hairy crabgrass/ Large crabgrass/ Crab finger grass/ Purple crabgrass	Crabgrass	Poaceae	Summer annual grass. Plants grow in clumps to about 80 cm tall, mostly upright, but sometimes prostrate.
69	Drepanostachyum falcatum Nees	Dwarf Bamboo	Ringal [Golu Ringal/ Garh/ Garila]	Poaceae	Ringal is a widely distributed shrub found in the temperate regions of Garhwal Himalaya.
70	Eleusine indica (L.) Gaertn.	Goosegrass/ Wiregrass	Goosegrass/ Wiregrass	Poaceae	Erect tufted annual grass
71	Imperata	Cogongrass/	Imperata	Poaceae	Perennial grass

	cylindrica (L.) P. Beauv.	Alangalang/ Thatchgrass			
72	Leptochloa chinensis (L.) Nees.	Red Sprangletop	Red Sprangletop	Poaceae	Annual erect robust grass herb
73	Paspalum dilatatum Poir.	Pigeongrass	Dallisgrass	Poaceae	Annual grass herb
74	Phalaris minor Retz.	Littleseed canary grass	Gulli-Danda/ Mandusi/ Gehunsa	Poaceae	Decumbent annual grass herb
75	Polypogon monspeliensis (L.) Desf.	Rabbit foot grass/ Foxtail grass	Foxtail grass	Poaceae	Annual grass herb
76	Saccharum spontaneum L.	Wild sugarcane/ Kansgrass	Kans	Poaceae	Perennial grass herb or under
77	Setaria glauca (L.) Beauv.	Yellow foxtail	Yellow foxtail	Poaceae	Yellow foxtail is a summer annual grass. It is found to an elevation of 1200 m.
78	Zoysia japonica Steud	Japanese lawn grass/ Korean lawn grass	Zoysia grass	Poaceae	Creeping grass, Evergreen perennial grass growing to 20 cm.
79	Polygonum persicaria L.	Ladysthumb	Ladysthumb	Polygonaceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
80	Polygonum plebejum R. Br.	Indian knotweed	Indian knotweed	Polygonaceae	Prostrate annual/ biennial herb
81	Rumex nepalensis Spreng.	Nepal Dock	Amlya/ Amlora/ Bhilmora/ Malori/ Jungli Palak	Polygonaceae	Perennial, grows to 1-2 m. It is in flower from May to June; Altitude-80 m to 4200 m.
82	Rumex dentatus L.	Sour dock/ toothed dock	Jungli Palak	Polygonaceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
83	Rumex hastatus D. Don.	Arrowleaf Dock/ Yellow Sock/ Curled sock	Chilmora	Polygonaceae	Perennial broad- leaved herb
84	Portulaca oleracea L.	Garden Purslane/ Common Purslane	Pigweed/ Pursley	Portulacaceae	Annual succulent may reach 40 cm in height, taproot with fibrous secondary roots.
85	Anagallis arvensis ssp foemina (Syn. Anagallis coerulea L.)	Scorlet pimpernel/ Red pimpernel	Krishna neel	Primulaceae	Annual prostrate broad leaved herb
86	Anemone obtusiloba D. Don	Himalayan anemone	Himalayan anemone	Ranunculaceae	Tufted habit perennial with a short rhizomatous rootstock and stems up to 15 cm tall with yellow flowers.
87	Ranunculus arvensis L.	Creeping buttercup/ Bird foot buttercup	Ranunculus	Ranunculaceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
88	Thalictrum foliolosum D.C.	Meadow-rue	Meadow-rue	Ranunculaceae	Tall perennial rigid herb indigenous to the temperate Himalayas (5000-8000 ft).
89	Duchesnea indica (Andr.) Focke Synonyms D. fragarioides, Fragaria indica	Mock Strawberry/ Indian strawberry	Bankasa	Rosaceae	Duchesnea indica is an evergreen perennial
90	Prinsepia utilis Royle	Himalayan Cherry Prinsepia/ James Prinsep/ Scholar	Bhikal/ Bekkra/ Bhekar/ Cherara	Rosaceae	Deciduous shrub growing up to 3.5 m.
91	Rosa multiflora Thunb.	Wild Rose	Jungli Gulab	Rosaceae	Temperate region and perennial shrub
92	Rubus ellipticus Smith.	Yellow Himalayan raspberry	Hishalu	Rosaceae	Thorny fruiting shrub that originates from South Asia, Shrub growing to 4.5 m
93	Rubus occidentalis L.	Black raspberry	Hishalu	Rosaceae	Deciduous shrub growing to 2-3 m (7-10 feet) tall, with prickly shoots.

94	Galium aparine L.	Catch weed/ Bedstraw	Catch weed/ Bedstraw	Rubiaceae	Annual broad-leaved herb
95	Rubia manjith Roxb.	Manjith	Manjith	Rubiaceae	Manjith is a perennial climber, with 4-angled stems and branches.
96	Berginia ciliata (Haw.) Sternb. Revis. Saxifrage. Suppl. Berginia ligulata (Wall.) Engl.	Pashanbheda	Pashanbheda	Saxifragaceae	Mostly found in temperate Himalayas at 1500 m altitude
97	Verbascum thapsus L.	Wooly Mullein seed head	Great mullein or common mullein	Scrophulariace ae	Hairy biennial plant grow to 2 meters tall or more. Small yellow flowers are densely grouped on tall stem, which grows from a large rosette of leaves.
98	Datura metel L.	Thorn apple	Datura	Solanaceae	An erect, soft-stemmed shrub usually less than 1 m tall.
99	Nicandra physalodes (L.) Gaerth.	Shoofly Plant/ Apple of Peru	Shoofly Plant/ Apple of Peru	Solanaceae	It is a summer annual plant.
100	Solanum nigrum L.	Black nightshade	Makoya	Solanaceae	Erect branched annual or biennial broad-leaved herb
101	Solanum surattense Burn.f. (S. xanthocarpum Schrad & Wendl.)	Yellow-berried Nightshade/ Choti Katheri/ Kantkari/ Kateli	Thai eggplant/ Kantakari/ Kateli/ Katai/ Ringani	Solanaceae	Perennial broad-leaved herb
102	Smilax aspera L.	Rough Bindweed/ Sarsaparille	Rough Bindweed/ Sarsaparille	<u>Smilacaceae</u>	Creeping or climbing evergreen having spiny zigzag stems with shiny leaves, Perennial
103	Smilax glaucophylla Klotzsch	Elegant Smilax	Smilax	Smilacaceae	It is a perennial climber with branches round, sometimes ribbed, not spiny. It is found at altitudes of 1800-3100 m.
104	Urtica dioica Roxb.	Stinging nettle/common nettle	Bichhu-Booti/ Sisnu/ Kandeli/ Bichhughas	Urticaceae	Herbaceous, perennial, 1 to 2 m tall in the summer and dying down to the ground in winter.
105	Valeriana jatamansi Jones (Syn. V. wallichii DC)	Indian Valerian/ Muskbala/ Sugandhbala/ Tagar	Sumaya/ Tagara/ Jatamansi	Valerianaceae	Perennial herb, 0.5-2 ft tall. Jatamansi is found throughout the Himalayas at altitude of 1500-3600 m.
106	Vitis lanata Roxb.	Wild grape	Asajiya/ asoja/ paharphuta/ purain	Vitaceae	A large woody deciduous climber; vines climbing on trees in forests going up to the height of 25 meters and covering the entire canopy of the tree
107	Hedychium spicatum Sm. In A. Rees	Vanhaldi/ Kapur kachri/ Spiked Ginger Lily/ Sandharlika	Vanhaldi/ Kapur kachri	Zingiberaceae	Hardy perennial, grows up to 1 metre.

# IV. Conclusion

As we know weeds play a key role in the ecosystem which the gardener seeks to manage. This study may be useful for agriculturists as well as taxonomists and other scientists involved in the management of weeds. Thus overall study indicates identification and reporting about weeds will be helpful for studying biological and ecological adaptations of weeds, their magnitude of harmful effects on field and Horticultural crops.

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