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# Shivapalapindi: an unexplored Ayurvedic Formulation

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## **ABSTRCT:**

Shiyapalapindi, as per Ayurveda's bhayaprakash samhita is a compound herbal formulation containing 12 herbs mixed together in equal quantities. Patha, Patola, Yava, Chandana, Dhanyaka, Amalaki, Vasa, Lavanga, Tvak, Gaja pippli, Haritaki, Madhu, Sita and Ghrita are used to prepare this miraculous formulation. It is prescribed in Ayurvedic system of medicine for treatment of Amlapitta, Aruchi, and Sosha by Acharya Bhavaprakasha in Amlapittadhikara. Shivapalapindi is also having effect to restore the disturbed "tridoshas- vatta, pitta and kapha." It calms down the increased Vata, pitta and Kapha. It has Katu Rasa, Ushna Virya, laghu Guna and Deepana, Pachana, Grahi and Srotosodhaka therapeutic effects. Apart from traditionally known health benefits, Shivapalapindi also possesses immunomodulatory, antiviral, expectorant, hypolipidemic, hypoglycemic, carminative, antiemetic, and anti-inflammatory potential. Simply it is concluded that Shivapalapindi is a miraculous combination which is needed to be explored more exhaustively to solve the bioavailability issues of allopathic, Ayurvedic, and other traditional systems of medicines.

**KEYWORDS:** Amlapitta, Shivapalapindi, Choorna kalpana

## I. INTRODUCTION

Ayurveda is endowed with more than 2 lakh formulation. There are numerous classical texts staring from Bruhatryi, Laghutrayi and latter texts of 19<sup>th</sup> centaury which includes Bhaishyaratnvali, Shahstra yoga etc. Shivapalapindi is one such potential formulation

which is indicated by Acharaya Bhavamisra in his Amlapitta Adhikara<sup>1</sup>. Amlapitta is not described as a separate disease in Bruhattravi, Acharva Charaka has described Shuktapaka as Purvarupa of Grahani<sup>2</sup>. He described the symptoms of Sampitta / Amlapitta in relation to it. Amlapitta is described in detail in Kashyapsamhita, Yogratnakara, and Madhavnidana as a separate disease. The word Amlapitta itself tells us that the Amla guna of Pitta Dosha is vitiated<sup>3</sup>. Avipaka, Klama, Utklesha, Tikta-Amloudgar, Hrit-daha, Kanthdaha, Aruchi are described as symptoms of Amlapitta<sup>4</sup>. Now a day, patients of Amlapitta are increased in number due to faulty eating habits, having junk food more often, late night awakening, stress etc. The prevalence of GERD in India is likely to be between 8 - 19%<sup>5</sup>. Mostly it is seen in 3<sup>rd</sup> decade of life. Several factors like change in lifestyle in terms of culture, smoking and use of specific food types have contributed to the increased prevalence of GERD in this rapidly progressing society. There is a need for a novel approach in tackling Amlapiita. Shivapalapindi is one among the drug of choice in combating Amalpitta with the combination of Patha, Patola, Yava, Chandana, Dhanyaka, Amalaki, Vasa, Lavanga, Tvak, Gaja pippli, Haritaki, Madhu, Sita and Ghrita which can effectively fight against Amalapitta

# II. MATERIALS & METHODS

Systematic review and critical analysis of Ayurvedic classical texts.

Article published in national and international journal regarding Shivapalappindi.

E. samhita and Nighantu are the basic source of information for this review.



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# Ingredients of shivapala pindi

TABLE NO – 1 Shows the Sanskrit name, English name, Kannnda name, Latin name and Image of Shivapalapindi ingredients 6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18

Shivapalapindi ingredients (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)							
S1.	Sanskrit	English name/	Latin name	Image			
No	name	Kannnda name					
No 1	Patha	Velvet leaf, ಪಡವಲ್ಲಿ	Cissampelous pareira				
2	Patola	Snake gauard, ಪಡವಲಕಾಯಿ	Trichosanthus diocia				
3	Yava	Barly, ນາປະ	Hordeum vulgare				
4	Sweta Chandan a	Sandle wood, ಸ್ವೇತ ಶ್ರೀಗಂಧ	Santalum album	Copyridate Annwirtsifisin			



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5	Dhanyak a	Coriander, ಕೊತ್ತಂಬರಿ ಬೀಜ	Corriandrum sativam	
6	Amalaki	Indian gooseberry, ಬೆಟ್ಟದ ನೆಲ್ಲಿಕ್ಕಾಯಿ	Embilica officinale	State
7	Vasa	Malabar nut, ಅಡುಸೊಗೆ	Adatoda vasica	
8	Lavanga	Clove, ಲವಂಗ	Segygium aromaticum	



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9	Twak	Cinnamom, ದಾಲ್ಚಿನ್ನಿ	Cinnamom zelenica	E Dladi Bland
10	Gajapipp ali	Oriental cashew, ಹಿಪ್ಪಲಿ	Scindapsus officinalis	
11	Haritaki	Myrobitan, ಅಳಲೆ ಕಾಯಿ	Terminalia chebula	
12	Madhu	Honey, ಜೇನು ತುಪ್ಪ	-	
13	Sita	Sweet candy, ಕಲ್ಲು ಸಕ್ಕರೆ	-	



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14	Grita	Ghee,	-	
		ತುಪ್ಪ		

 $TABLE\ NO-2\ Shows\ the\ Sanskrita\ Name,\ Rasa\ panchaka,\ Doshghnata,\ Karmukata\ and\ Prayojya\ angaof\ shivapalapindi\ ingredients$ 

Sanskrita	Rasa panchaka	Doshghna	Karmukata	Prayojya
Name Patha (Cissampelos pareira Linn)	Rasa- Tikta, Guna- Laghu, Tikshna, Veerya- Ushna, Vipaka- Katu	Tridoshah ara	Grahi, deepana, pachana, balya, stanyashodhaka, bastishodhaka	Moola, Kanda
Patola (Trichosanthes dioica)	Rasa- Tikta, Guna- Laghu, Tikshna, Veerya- Ushna, Vipaka- Katu	Tridoshah ara	grahi, stanyashodhaka, balya, deepana, pachana, bastishodhaka	Moola, patra, phala
Sweta Chandana (Pterocarpus santalinus Linn)	Rasa- Tikta-Madhura, Guna- Guru, Ruksha, Veerya- Sheeta, Vipaka- Katu	Pitta- Kapha Shamaka	Chakshushya, vrushya, jwarahara, vranaharv and vishahara	Kandasara
Dhanyaka (coriandrum sativam linn)	Rasa- kashaya, Tikta, Guna- Laghu, Snigdha, Veerya- Ushna, Vipaka- Madhura	Tridoshah ara	deepana, pachana, Grahi	Whole plant (leaves)
Amalaki (embilica officinalis)	Rasa- Lavana varjita pancharasa, Guna- Laghu, Veerya- Sheeta, Vipaka- Madhura	Tridoshah ara	Rasayana	Fruit, pulp
Lavanga (syzgium aromaticum)	Rasa- Tikta, katu Guna- Laghu, snigdha, Veerya- sheeta, Vipaka- Katu	kaphapitta hara	Dipana, pachana, ruchya	Floral bud, clove oil
Haritaki (Terminalia chebula)	Rasa- Kashaya pradhana lavana varjita pancharasa, Guna- Laghu, Ruksa, Veerya- Ushna, Vipaka- Madhura	Tridoshah ara	Anulomaka	Fruit rind
Twaka (cinnamomum zeylanica)	Rasa- katu,Tikta, madhura Guna- Laghu, Tikshna, Veerya- Ushna, Vipaka- Katu	vatakapha hara	Dipana, Pachana, Ruchya	bark
Vasa (adathoda vasica)	Rasa- Tikta, kashaya, Guna- Laghu,Veerya- sheeta, Vipaka- Katu	kaphapitta hara	dipana, pachana	leaf, root, flower
Sita (Saccharum	Rasa- madhura, Guna- Snigdha, Guru, Veerya-	vata- pitta shamaka	tridoshashamaka, ruchikaraka,	-

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officinarum)	sheeta, Vipaka- madhura		shukrakaraka	
Madhu (Mel depuratum)	Rasa-Madhura, Kashaya, Guna-Picchila, laghu, ruksha, sukshma, Veerya- Ushna, Vipaka-Madhura	Tridoshah ara	Yogavahi, ropaka, vranashodhana, sandhana	-

# PREPARATION -

Shivapalapindi is explained in Bhavaprakash Madhyama Khanda 39<sup>th</sup> chapter Amlapitta Adhikara

All the above ingredients are mixed in equal quantity (1 part) and made in a powder form then with Ghrita, Madhu, and Sita licked every day. This is called as Shivapalapindi. As this formulation subsides the Amlapitta, Daha, Aruchi of shiva who is also called as vishakantha because he retained visha in throat. Other scholar also opines that it does palana like shiva in the diseases of Aruchi, Amlapitta, Shosha.

<u>ANUPANA</u> – powder should be taken with Ghrita and Madhu in unequal quantity

(Madhu should be half of Ghrita) and Ushna jala

 $\underline{\textbf{Dose}}$  – 12 gm BD with Ghrita and Madhu in unequal quality<sup>19</sup>

## III. DISCUSSION

## **Actions on Tridosha**

- 1. Patha- Due to Tikta rasa and laghu guna it pacify the vata dosha, due to Tikta rasa it pacify pitta dosha, and due to Tikta rasa, Tikshna guna and Ushna virya it pacify Kapha Dosha. grahi, stanyashodhaka, balya, deepana, pachana, bastishodhaka
- 2. Patola Due to Tikta rasa and laghu guna it pacify the vata dosha, due to Tikta rasa it pacify pitta dosha, and due to Tikta rasa, Tikshna guna and Ushna virya it pacify Kapha Dosha. grahi, stanyashodhaka, balya, deepana, pachana, bastishodhaka
- **3.** Sweta Chandana Pitta Kapha shamak, mainly due to Madhura and tikta rasa it pacify Pitta. And due to Tikta Rasa it pecifies Kapha. Chakshushya, vrushya, jwarahara, vranaharv and vishahara
- **4.** Dhanyaka Tridosha Shamak, Due to Snigdha and Laghu it pacifies Vata; Due to Tikta and Kashaya it pacifies Kapha and Pitta. deepana, pachana, Grahi
- 5. Amalki Tridoshahara, especially Pitta Shamak, due to Amla Ras it pacifies Vata, due to Madhura and Sheeta it pacifies Pitta, due to Ruksha and Kashaya it pacifies Kapha. Aruchi, Agnimandya, Vibandha, Yakridvikara, Amlapitta, Udara Roga,

Hridroga, Rakta Pitta, Jeerna Jwara, Dourbalya, Kshaya, Shotha etc.

- **6.** Lavanga Kapha Pitta shamak, mainly due to Tikta Rasa it pecifies Kapha and Pitta Dipana, pachana, ruchya
- 7. Haritaki Tridoshahar, especially Vata Shamak due to Amla and Madhura it pacifies Vata, due to Madhura, Tikta, Kashaya it pacifies Pitta, Due to Katu, Tikta and Kashaya it pacifies Kapha. Agnideepan, Pachan, yakriduttejak, Anuloman, Mridurechan, Krimighna, Mutrala, Medhya, Rasayan, Netrya, Ayurvardhak and Bhrimhana.
- **8.** Twaka vatakaphahara especially vatahara due to madhura and kaphahara due to katu and tikta rasa. Dipana, Pachana, Ruchya
- **9. Vasa -** Kapha Pitta Shamak Due to Sheeta, Tikta and Kashaya it pacifies Pitta and due to Laghu, Ruksha, Tikta and Kashaya it pacifies Kapha.
- **10.** Sita tridoshashamaka especially vata pitta shamaka due to Snigdha, Guru guna and Madhura. ruchikaraka, shukrakaraka
- 11. Madhu Tridoshahara especially vata dosha due to Madhura, pitta due to madhura and kashaya, kaphya mainly due to kashaya, laghu ruksha. Yogavahi, ropaka, vranashodhana, sandhana

## IV. CONCLUSION

Amalpaitta has created an alarming situation with its rapid stick in its prevalence affecting large number of population. Hence Shivapalapindi can be a comprehensive formulation that can bring down the adversity of Amalpitta. In spite antacids are the most recommended treatment in GERD, it is not permanent treatment to cope up with the current situation. The long term use of antacids can bring side effects including diarrhea, constipation, changes in metabolism and build up of magnesium. So, there is need of evolving more effective treatment which relives human sufferings. Shivapalapindi contains dravyas like Patha, Patola, Yava, Chandana, Dhanyaka, Amalaki, Vasa, Lavanga, Tvak, Gaja pippli, Haritaki, Madhu, Sita and Ghrita, which are kapha-pittahara in nature along with dipana, pachana, anulomana, grahi properties. Shivapalapindi with a good combination

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of photochemical can work better in Amalapitta. This is the need of hour where the Amalapitta cases are increasing due to faulty diet. However the efficacy and its potential role on disease have to be tested with clinical trial.

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