

## *Eclipta prostrate* (L.)



**Habit:** Herb

**Description:** Herbs, 50-60cm; stems and branches strigose. Leaves 2.5-10'1-6cm, sessile, elliptic oblong, entire, hirsute on both sides. Heads 5-10mm across, white in axillary peduncles; involucre bracts 3-6mm, biseriate, hirsute. Ray florets ligulate. Disk florets tubular, 4-5 lobed. Achenes 2mm, turbinate, tubercled.

**Taxonomy:**

<b>Kingdom</b>	Plantae
<b>Division</b>	Tracheophyta
<b>Class</b>	Magnoliopsida
<b>Order</b>	Asterales
<b>Family</b>	Asteraceae
<b>Genus</b>	Eclipta
<b>Species</b>	<i>Eclipta prostrata</i> (L.)

**Uses:** A wide range of biological activities such as antimicrobial, anticancer, hepatoprotective, neuroprotective and hair growth promoting activities. Relatively a few studies have been performed to reveal the exact phytoconstituents responsible for their corresponding pharmacological activities.

**Reference:** Indian Biodiversity Portal, NCBI