



Plectranthus barbatus



Habit: Herb

Description: Pubescent herbs. Leaves to 8 x 4 cm, ovate, elliptic, apex obtuse, base cuneate, crenate, pubescent; petiole to 3 cm. Racemes terminal, to 20 cm long; bracts 4 mm, broadly ovate, acuminate, ciliate; calyx inside with a ring of hairs upper lip 4 mm, ovate, acuminate, lower 4 toothed, 2 mm, all ciliate; corolla tube 6 mm, lower lip broadly ovate, 6 mm, violet; staminal sheath to 4 mm; style 1.5 cm, bifid.

Taxonomy:

Kingdom	Plantae
Division	Tracheophytes
Class	Magnoliopsida
Order	Lamiales
Family	Lamiaceae
Genus	Plectranthus
Species	<i>Plectranthus barbatus</i> Andrews

Uses: The major ethnobotanical uses are for intestinal disturbance and liver fatigue, respiratory disorders, heart diseases and certain nervous system disorders.

Reference: Indian Biodiversity Portal, NCBI