

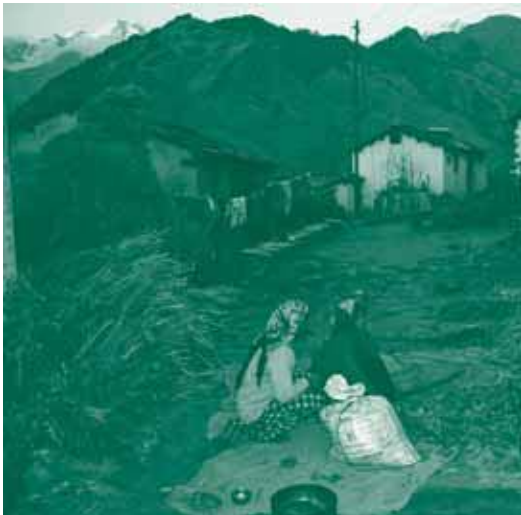
## Medicinal plants and traditional medicine



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An estimated 80 percent of the world's population depend largely on traditional natural medicine. Most of these natural remedies are based on medicinal plants and herbs, with some 35 000 plant species being used.

From left to right: *Warburgia ugandensis* in a rain forest of Uganda; medicinal plant collectors returning from the forest in Nepal; processing harvested medicinal plants in India; drying *Artemisia annua* in Uganda; medicinal plant market in China (selling over 500 species of mainly wild collected medicinal plants); traditional healer in India.