

**Botanic name :** *Mikania micrantha* Kunth.

**Common name :** mile-a-minute

**Family :** Asteraceae (Compositae)

**Distribution :** South-American origin, IAP in Pan Asia, Africa, and parts of Mediterranean Europe

**Habitat :** Terrestrial

**Description :** Climber, Branched, perennial, leaf opposite and heart shaped, flowers arranged terminal or axillary corymbs, individual floret, each seed has terminal pappus

**Phytochemicals:** mikanolide, dihydromikanolide, mmethoxy benzoic acid, dioxymikanolide, scandenolide and dihydroscandenolide

**Medicinal/Economic uses :** Antibacterial and anti-inflammatory. It is used to heal cuts and stop minor internal bleeding, popular local antiseptic and other skin irritations