

INDIAN COOKING COURSE



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I. INTRODUCTION

India is a large country in southern Asia. It covers 3,287,590 square kilometres. Great mountains separate most of northern India from the rest of Asia. The southern half is a triangular peninsula that extends into the Indian Ocean. The Arabian Sea lies to the west, and the Bay of Bengal to the east. The coastline is 6,843 kilometres, of which 1,312 kilometres belong to India's island territories. India has three main land regions: (1) the Himalaya; (2) the Northern Plains; and (3) the Deccan, or Southern Plateau.

Many ways of life in India have stayed the same for hundreds of years. These ancient customs may be seen side by side with the latest developments in science and technology. Cows, which India's millions of Hindus consider sacred, roam freely in many areas. Early European explorers, traders, and adventurers traveled to India for jewels, rugs, silks, spices, and other valuable articles. Christopher Columbus was looking for an easier route to India when he arrived in America.



I.1 India, the nation



India has great varieties and differences in both its land and its people. The land includes a desert, jungles, and one of the world's rainiest areas. India also has broad plains, mighty rivers, the tallest mountain system in the world, and tropical lowlands. The people of India belong to many different ethnic groups and religions. They speak 14 major languages and more than 1,000 minor languages and dialects. Some Indians have great wealth. But many others cannot pay for the bare necessities of life.

I.2 People

About 16 per cent of the entire world's people live in India. Only China, which has a population of more than one billion, has more people than India. India is more densely populated than most other countries.

About 73 per cent of India's people live in rural areas. Most of the country's 557,000 farm villages have less than 1,000 people. About 27 per cent of the people live in urban areas. India has about 4,000 cities and towns. About 300 cities have populations over 100,000. Six cities have more than 3 million people. These cities, in order of population size, are Mumbai (Bombay), Delhi, Calcutta, Bangalore, Chennai (Madras), and Hyderabad. Calcutta, the capital city of West Bengal, has the greatest population density of any city in India, with an average of about 42,000 people per square kilometer.

Since the early 1900's, India's population has grown by several million a year. During the 1980's and 1990's, the population increased by as much as 18 million per year. The main reason for this "population explosion" is that improved sanitation and health care have caused the death rate to fall more rapidly than the birth rate. Population growth has led to serious overcrowding and has increased the problem of raising India's low standard of living. Many villagers leave the heavily populated rural areas to look for work in the cities, where wages are higher.

I.3 Religion

About 83 per cent of the Indian people are Hindus, and about 11 per cent are Muslims. The next largest religious groups, in order of size, are Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, and Jains. Religion plays a vital role in the Indian way of life. Religious laws of the Hindus and Muslims govern the people's clothing, food, and marriage. They also strongly influence the type of occupation among people who follow the laws strictly.

Ethnic and political differences between Hindus and Muslims led to the division of India into two nations, India and Pakistan. Many



thousands of Indians have died in fighting between Hindus and Muslims. Killings still occur from time to time.

Hinduism is the world's oldest major religion. It has no single founder or head. Hindus believe that the soul never dies. After the body dies, the soul is reborn in another life form. This process is repeated until the soul reaches spiritual perfection, or salvation. Then, the soul enters a higher state of existence from which it never returns.

Hindus follow the principle of ahimsa, non-injury to living creatures. This principle especially applies to cows, which Hindus believe are sacred animals. As a result, hardly any Hindus eat beef, and many do not eat any kind of meat.

Hindus worship many divinities (gods and goddesses). The three most important ones are Brahma, the creator of the universe; Vishnu, its preserver; and Shiva, its destroyer.

Hinduism has a number of sacred writings, such as the Vedas, Upanishads, and Puranas. They outline how its followers should conduct their lives.

I.4 Food

The chief foods of India include rice, wheat, millet, and pulses. Pulses are the seeds of such pod vegetables as beans, chickpeas, pigeon peas, and lentils. A typical meal consists of rice and dahl, a porridge made of pulses. Indians also enjoy durum wheat-flour chapattis, thin flat baked breads that resemble soft pancakes. Some other breads are made from rice or pulse flour.

Samosas, deep-fried pastries stuffed with potatoes, vegetables, or meat, are popular snacks. A special meal might include chicken or lamb roasted in a clay oven called a tandoor. For special events, such as weddings, Indians may wrap elegant foods in a layer of silver so thin that it can be eaten.

During breakfast, cereals, eggs, fresh milk, fruits and toast are often served. Lunch and dinner are composed of meat/chicken/fish dish, vegetable, soup, dahl, dessert and bread. Wines are served during lunch and dinner.

Most Hindus do not eat beef, and some eat no meat at all. Muslims eat no pork. Indians enjoy carefully spiced vegetable dishes. They use many different spices and blend special mixtures for each dish. Indians eat many kinds of curries, which consist of vegetables, seafood, eggs, or meat cooked in a spicy sauce.

One or more kinds of chutneys accompany many meals. Chutneys are relishes of spices and fruit, especially mangoes. As a cool



contrast to spicy foods, Indians sometimes serve raita, a mixture of yoghurt with fruit and vegetables.

Sweet desserts are made from milk, yoghurt, fruit, and nuts. Fresh fruit and fruit drinks are popular. Tea is a favorite beverage in India, but many southern Indians prefer coffee.

II. VEGETARIAN DISHES

II.1 Boondhi Raita

1/4 cup Besan
1/2 cup Water
Ghee for frying
Salt to taste
Pepper to taste
Chat Masala to taste
1 1/2 cup Yogurt
1/4 cup Milk

- Make a pouring paste of the besan and water.
- Heat ghee and drop paste into it through a slotted spoon to get little drops that fall one at a time (these are boondhi). Remove the drops when golden brown and dry on a paper towel to remove extra oil. Soak the drops in warm water. Add milk, salt, pepper, and add Chat Masala to yogurt. Squeeze water out of boondhi and add to yogurt.

II.2 Cauliflower and Potatoes (Gobo Aloo)

1 Large cauliflower

3 Medium sized potatoes

½ Large Onion sliced thinly in long slices

1 tsp Mustard seeds

2 or 3 pods Cardamom

1 tsp Coriander

1 tsp Cumin seeds

½ tsp Turmeric

1 pc. Bayleaf

3 pcs. Cloves

3 Tbsp Vegetable Oil



 Start boiling the potatoes in a saucepan. Let them boil for at least 15 minutes. After they are done, turn off the heat and let them stand in the water.



- Cut the cauliflower into small bite sized pieces (roughly 1" cubes), throwing away most of the stem pieces. Wash and drain in a colander.
- While the potatoes are being cooked, heat the oil in a wide skillet until it is very hot.
- Add the mustard seeds and wait until they start popping. Add bay leaves, cardamom and cloves. Mix around for a while and then add onions. Wait until the onion starts to turn brown before adding the rest of the spices (except for turmeric).
- Put the cauliflower in the skillet and fry in the oil and spices for 2 minutes. While the cauliflower is frying, cut up the potatoes into bite sized pieces and add to the skillet. Add turmeric and stir. Continue stirring the vegetables under medium heat for another couple of minutes.
- Add 1/2 cup of water and reduce heat to low. Cover skillet and let cook for 5 minutes. Check tenderness of vegetables. If they are still too hard, add another 1/4 cup of water and cover again for 5 minutes. Salt to taste and serve.

II.3 Okra (Bhindi)

11b Okra
2 small Onions
2 small Tomatoes
1/4 tsp Turmeric
Salt to taste
Red pepper (optional)
Oil for frying



- Wash the okra and dry it thoroughly.
- Cut off the heads and cut into small circles.
- Chop the onions and tomatoes separately. Deep fry the okra until brown.
- Remove from heat and set aside. Pour out some oil.
- Add turmeric to hot oil. Add the onions and fry until golden brown.
- Add the fried okra, salt, pepper, and tomatoes.
- Cover and bake at 250° F for 15 minutes.

II.4 Eggplant (Bhartha)

2 lb Eggplant
4 Medium Tomatoes
3 tsp Fresh chopped coriander
½ cup Ghee
½ cup finely chopped onion



- Preheat oven to 450° F. Bake in the middle level of the oven for 1 hour or until very tender. While they are still warm, peel and crush the eggplants.
- Heat oil and fry onions until soft and clear. Do not brown.
- Add the tomatoes and fry for 2 minutes.
- Add the eggplant and stir until almost all liquid disappears and the mixture leaves the side.
- Place into a bowl, sprinkle on coriander and serve at once.

II.5 Spicy Eggplant

200 g Baby eggplants

2 pcs Chopped onions

3 pcs Chopped green chilies

Pepper corns

5 g Tamarind, soaked in hot water

1 tsp Mustard seeds

1 tsp Cumin seeds

2 tsp Cumin-fenugreek powder

1 tsp Turmeric

3 Tbsp Oil

Salt to taste

- Cut the eggplants into four, lengthwise, to three-fourths of their total length and soak in salted water.
- Heat oil in a pan, season with mustard and cumin seeds.
- Add chopped green chilies, onions and pepper corns. Fry for few minutes. Then add eggplants and fry for another 2 minutes.
- Now add tamarind water, salt, cumin-fenugreek powder and cook until the gravy thickens. Serve hot with vegetable pulao.

II.6 Capsicum (Bell Pepper)

500 g Paneer

100 a Capsicum

2 tsp Coriander seeds

5 pcs Red chilies whole

3 pcs Green chilies (minced)

3/4 tsp Kasoori methi (dry fenugreek leaves)

2 tsp Green chilies (chopped)

2 tsp Ginger (chopped)

4 pcs Tomatoes (chopped)

2 Tbsp Coriander (chopped)



3 Tbsp Ghee Salt to taste For the paste: 6 cloves garlic mixed with a little water

- Slice the paneer and capsicum into thin long strips.
- Pound the coriander seeds and red chilies together.
- Heat the ghee, add the garlic paste and cook on a slow flame for a few seconds.
- Add the capsicum and pounded spices and cook on a slow flame for 30 seconds.
- Add the green chilies and ginger and fry again for a few seconds.
- Add the tomatoes and cook until the ghee comes on top.
- Add the kasoori methi and salt and fry again for a few seconds.
- Finally, add the sliced paneer and cook for a few minutes.
- Sprinkle coriander on the top and serve hot.

II.7 Khatta Chana Dahl (serves 6-8)

250 g Chana dahl (garbanzos)

1 Tbsp Fine chana Masala

1 tsp Red chili powder

1 tsp Roasted black cumin seeds

1 tsp Coriander powder

2 Tbsp Oil

2 medium-sized Chopped onion

4 pcs. Sliced tomato

3-4 pcs Chopped green chilies

1 pc Chopped ginger

½ cup Tamarind pulp or juice

Chopped fresh coriander

Salt to taste



- Wash chana dahl and soak overnight. Boil chana for 20 minutes and stand to cool.
- Heat roasted black cumin seeds, coriander powder, chana masala, red chili powder, salt with oil in the pan for 2 minutes
- Add ginger, chopped onion, green chilies, tomato and stir fry. Pour tamarind juice and stir well.
- Boil mixture and add chana dahl and cook for 5-6 minutes.
- Garnish with sliced tomato, onion and fresh coriander.
- Served with parathas, bread or bhaturas.

II.8 Dahl Maharani

100 g Rajma Dahl (red kidney beans) 50 g Black garam





50 g Bengal garam
50 g Chopped onions
½ tsp Ginger-garlic paste
½ tsp Coriander powder
½ tsp Chili powder
¼ tsp Turmeric
100 g Chopped tomato
5 g Garam masala
50 g Butter
50 a Oil

- Mix Rajma dahl and black garam and soak in water for 5-6 hours.
 Add Bengal garam and pressure cook for 30 minutes.
- Heat oil in pan and fry the onions and ginger-garlic paste. Add coriander powder, chili powder, turmeric and fry for 2-4 minutes.
- Add tomatoes and cook well.
- When gravy thickens, add boiled dahl and cook with salt. Add water if required.
- Add garam masala and stir well. Remove and serve with chapatti or rice.

III. RICE DISHES

III.1 Mutton Biryani

1 ½ kg Basmati rice
1 ½ kg Mutton
200 g Ground ginger
150 g Ground garlic
3 tsp Garam Masala
500 ml Oil
500 g Chopped onions
250 ml Thick yogurt
2 pcs Lemon
2 Sprigs of coriander
1 ½ tsp Turmeric powder
2 tsp salt



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- Cook mutton with salt, turmeric, ginger and garlic paste for 15-20 minutes in a cooker or a thick bottomed pot.
- Heat oil in a wok and fry finely chopped onions until golden brown. Add fried mutton and cook for 15 minutes.
- Mix beaten yogurt, chopped coriander and the lemon juice.
- Soak rice for 30 minutes.
- Measure 1 ½ cup water for every cup of rice. Bring the water to a boil and add washed and pre-soaked rice and cook until done.
- Add mutton and cook for 10 minutes. Serve hot with raita.

III.2 Methi Rice

2 cups Basmati rice

4-5 bunches Fenugreek leaves

1 tsp Mustard seeds

1 tsp Cumin seeds

2 tsp Bengal garam

2 tsp Black garam

3 Tbsp Oil or butter

Pinch of Asafoetida

4-5 pcs Chopped green chilies

1 pc Chopped onion

2 sprig Curry leaves

1 cup Peas



Methi Rice

- Cook rice with enough water until done and cool. Wash fenugreek leaves and chop finely.
- Heat the oil in a pan and season with mustard seeds, Bengal garam, Black garam, asafetida, curry leaves, onion and green chilies.
- Add the fenugreek leaves, peas, salt for 5 minutes until leaves are tender.
- Cover pan with a lid and cook for 10-15 minutes on medium heat.
- When cooked remove form heat, add rice to the fenugreek mixture and mix well.

III.3 Kashmiri Pullao

2 cups Basmati rice

4 cups water

2 bunch Mint leaves

2 Bay leaves

5 pcs Cardamom

1pc Small nutmeg

60 g Ghee



Kashmiri Pullao



4 pcs green chilies

¼ g Saffron

½ cup Milk

10 g Garam masala

25 g Cashew nuts

20 g Raisins

25 g Cherries

25 g Tuti fruit

Salt

- Wash the rice and soak for 20 minutes.
- Boil water; add mint leaves nutmeg, bay leaves for 20 minutes.
- Heat ghee in pan, fry chopped green chilies and rice for a few minutes.
- Add the boiled water to the rice and cook until rice is done.
- Heat the remaining ghee and fry cashew nuts, raisins, and add to rice.

IV.POULTRY AND MEAT DISHES

IV.1 Chicken Curry

500 g Chicken

1 tin Coconut milk

1 pc Chopped onion

2 pcs Green chillies chopped

1 pc Chopped ginger

3 tsp Dhania powder

1 tsp Chili powder

1 tsp Garam masala

½ tsp Turmeric powder

3 tsp Oil

Cilantro leaves for garnishing

Salt to taste



- Heat oil in pan and fry onion, green chilies and ginger.
- Add Dhania powder, chili powder, garam masala, turmeric and the chicken. Cook for 5 minutes. Pour ½ coconut milk and simmer chicken until tender.
- Add remaining coconut milk and simmer to thicken sauce.
- Garnishing with cilantro and serve hot with plain rice or parathas.





IV.2 Tandoori Chicken

2 lbs Chicken legs, thighs & drumsticks

1 Tbsp Lemon juice

1 tsp Yellow and red food coloring

1 Tbsp Chili powder

2 tsp Coriander (finely chopped)

1 tbsp Cumin seeds powder

1 1/4 cup Plain yogurt

1 Tbsp Fresh ginger grated

1 tsp Garlic paste

1/4 cup Ghee or vegetable oil

Salt to taste



- Remove the skin from chicken pieces and cut them lengthwise
- Mix lemon juice, food coloring, salt, chili powder, cumin powder, and coriander in a bowl and brush the chicken pieces evenly to coat
- Mix yogurt, ginger and garlic in a separate bowl and apply to the chicken pieces.
- Marinate the pieces in refrigerator turning pieces occasionally for 4 6 hours and let them at room temperature one hour before cooking
- Preheat the oven to 500 degrees F and place the chicken n single layer in a greased shallow baking pan.
- Brush chicken with 2 tbsp of ghee and bake them for 12 minutes.
 Turn pieces over, brush with remaining 2 tbsp of ghee and continue baking until chicken is cooked through and tender about 15 minutes. Serve hot with fresh coriander on it

IV.3 Saag Meat

500 g Mutton, cut into pieces

1 bunch Spinach leaves

3 Tbsp Oil

3 pcs Onions, ground to paste

3 tsp Ginger-garlic paste

2 Tbsp Tomato puree

1 tsp Cumin powder

1 tsp Coriander powder

½ tsp Chili powder

1 tsp Poppy seeds

Garam masala to sprinkle

Salt to taste

Boil the spinach leaves and grind to a fine paste. Keep aside.



- Heat the oil in a pan and fry the onion paste until golden brown.
 Also add ginger, garlic paste and fry for 2 more minutes. Add the mutton pieces, chili powder, poppy seeds and salt. Fry over medium heat until meat is browned.
- Then add cumin powder, coriander powder, tomato puree and the ground spinach. Simmer and cover, stirring occasionally until mutton is tender.
- Sprinkle with garam masala and serve hot with boiled rice.

IV.4 Lamb Curry with Yogurt

2 lb Boneless lamb, cubed4 pcs Green peppers, chopped1 Tbsp Fresh ginger, minced

2 pcs Garlic cloves, minced

1 pc Large onion, minced

2 Tbsp Coriander seeds powder

2 tsp Turmeric

1 tsp Cumin seeds powder

1 tsp Cinnamon powder

1 tsp Mustard seeds powder

4 cups Yogurt

2 Tbsp Butter

Salt to taste



- Mix chilies, ginger, garlic, mined onion, spices and yogurt in a blender or food processor and process until well mixed.
- Add this paste to the lamb pieces, mix well, cover and refrigerate for 3 hours.
- Heat butter in a skillet and fry the chopped onion for few minutes.
- Add the lamb and the yogurt marinade mix all together, cover and simmer until meat is tender for 1 hour or so on a medium flame.
- Add salt to taste and remove from heat when done.

IV.5. Madras Beef Curry

1 lb Beef, cut into 1" cubes

2 Tbsp Lemon juice

2 tsp Salt

1 pc Large onion, finely chopped

2 pcs Garlic cloves, finely chopped

2 pcs Chilies, finely chopped

2 Tbsp Coriander, ground

1 tsp Cumin, ground





1 Tbsp Turmeric

1 tsp Powdered ginger

2 tsp Black pepper

4 oz Tomato paste

1 1/4 cup Beef stock

1/4 cup Ghee (or butter)

2 Tbsp Garam masala

- Marinate the meat in lemon juice and salt. Mix the onion, garlic and chili together well.
- Heat the ghee in a heavy saucepan over medium heat and fry the onion mixture for 2 minutes.
- Add the coriander, cumin, turmeric, ginger and pepper, stir well and cook for another 2-3 minutes.
- Add the beef and lemon juice, stir well to coat the meat with the spices. Cook for 5-10 minutes.
- Stir in the tomato paste and beef stock, bring to a boil then cover and simmer gently for 30-40 minutes until the meat begins to get tender.
- Sprinkle in the garam masala and cook for further 10 minutes.
- The gravy should by this stage be very thick, if it is not remove the lid from the pan and increase the heat to boil off excess moisture until the gravy thickens.

V. FISH DISHES

V.1 Chutney Fish

500 g fish pieces of any type

150 g oil

8 g ajwain seeds

45 ml cream

10 g cumin seeds powder

10 g garam masala

20 a garlic paste

20 g besan flour

30 ml lemon juice

5 Tbsp mint or coriander chutney

½ tsp white pepper powder

1 onion, chopped in circles.

60 g yogurt

Salt to taste

 Mix cream garlic paste, ajwain seeds, white pepper powder, cumin seeds powder, garam masala, lemon juice, salt, mint or coriander chutney, besan flour in yogurt.



- Add fish pieces to the above mixture and soak them for about 3 hours.
- Heat oil in a pan, fry fish pieces on both sides.
- Serve with onions, which are chopped in circles.

V.2 Fish Kofta Curry

300 g fish pieces boneless
2-3 onions, chopped
4 green chilies, chopped
1 egg, beaten
½ cup bread crumbs
1 lemon
1 tsp coriander powder
1 tsp cumin powder
½ tsp turmeric powder
1 tsp chili powder
½ tsp ginger-garlic paste
3-4 tomatoes
Few coriander leaves, chopped
Oil for frying

- Grind the fish pieces in a blender until smooth. Keep aside.
- Heat 2 tsp of oil in a pan and fry few chopped onions, chopped green chilies, chopped coriander leaves for a while. Add these to the blended fish, salt, beaten egg, and lemon juice and mix well.
- Make balls from this mixture, roll in the bread crumbs, and fry in hot oil until golden. Keep them aside.
- Heat oil in another pan; fry the remaining chopped onions until brown. Also add ginger-garlic paste, coriander powder, cumin powder, chili powder, turmeric and fry for few more minutes.
- Blend the tomatoes to a fine puree and add to the above mixture.
 Boil until it simmers, add salt and koftas. Simmer for 10 more minutes or until the koftas are tender. Serve hot with plain rice or naan.

V.3 Masala Fried Fish

500 g fish pieces (Chanduva or Vanjaram) 8 red chilies 3 Tbsp coriander seeds 1 tbsp cumin seeds Salt to taste ½ Tbsp turmeric Oil for frying

 Clean the fish pieces in salt water, apply turmeric and lemon juice to these pieces.



- Fry red chilies, coriander seeds, cumin seeds in a pan without oil and make a paste in a blender using little water.
- Apply this paste to the fish pieces.
- In a wide skillet, heat some oil and fry the fish pieces on both sides until brown.
- Garnish with salad.

VI.BREAD AND SWEETS

VI.1 Chappati

225 g / 1 ½ cup Whole wheat flour 200ml / ¾ cup Water ½ tsp salt



Arrange ingredients.



Pour water gradually.



Use a spoon to stir



Flour the surface.



Knead mixture.



Let it rest for 30 minutes.



Roll the dough flat like a tortilla.



Heat the skillet and lay the phulka for 2-3 minutes on each side.

Note: Since the rolled out chappati's will dry out if they are left to stand while cooking the others, it is advantageous to roll them out individually before cooking them. Serve warm (maybe slightly buttered).

VI.2 Parotta

1 cup Whole wheat flour Ghee Water



Method:

- Make chappati dough. Divide into 6 parts and make balls. Flatten and roll each. Spread ghee over them and fold. Roll again. Heat the paratha on a griddle like you would a chappati, but spread some ghee over the top side.
- Turn and spread ghee on the other side. Fry until the bottom is crisp and golden, then turn and fry the remaining side. Repeat with all six.

Note: Serve at once, since they lose crispness if stored.

VI.3 Stuffed Parathas

Make dough for regular chappati's.

Fillings:

Potato - Boil potatoes, mash, add salt and chili to taste. Add Garam Masala and mango powder.

Radish - Grate one large Diakon Radish, add salt and leave for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Squeeze out all the water; add grated ginger, chili, and pomegranate seeds.

Cauliflower - Grate cauliflower; add salt, pepper, garlic, and Garam Masala.

Method:

Roll out 2 small chappati's. Place filling on one, cover with the second, seal edges and cook as for parathas.

VI.4 Atten Ki Pinui

250 g Wheat flour 150 g Ghee 250 g Powder sugar ½ cup milk 4-6 cardamons powdered 20 g Cashew and almonds





Heat ghee in pan and add wheat flour.



When it turns brown and aromatic, remove form heat and transfer in a bowl to cool.



Add cardamom.



Add sugar.



Pour milk.



Stir until well dissolved.



Pour in bowl to cool.



Add nuts and dried fruits.

VI.5 Rice Kheer

½ cup Rice
½ cup Water
4 cups Milk
¼ cup Raisins
¾ to 1 cup sugar
1 tsp Cardamon
¼ c Shredded blanched almonds
6-8 drops of rose water



Wash and drain rice. Soak for 30 minutes. Boil in the same water until water dries up. Add milk and simmer for 1½ half hours.



Scrape the sides and the bottom frequently to prevent sticking and mashing rice while stirring. When mixture is creamy, add sugar and stir well.



Remove from heat and add cardamom and almonds.





Add rose water



Tansfer in a bowl and top with nuts and raisins. Serve warm or cold

VI.6 Gulab Jamun

1 cup Biscuit
2 cups Carnation powder
2 cups Water
1 ½ sugar
4 pods Cardamon
Few drops of rose water
½ stick butter
1/8 cup Yogurt
Milk



Complete ingredients.



Melt butter in bowl and add biscuit.



Add sugar.



Pour yogurt.



Pour rose water.



Knead well and add milk if necessary.



Fry balls in oil until drak brown.



Soak balls in syrup. Serve hot or cold.

 To make syrup, boil water with sugar, add cardamom seeds. Simmer to half.



VII. EGG DISHES

VII.1 Egg Malai Masala

6 Eggs
½ cup Milk
2 Onions
1 inch Ginger
4 pcs Green chillies
Curry leaves
½ tsp Garam Masala
2 Tbsp Ghee
Salt to taste



- Boil eggs and cut into two pieces.
- Mix onions, green chilies, ginger and blend it into paste.
- In a wide pan, heat ghee and fry the paste until golden brown. Add egg and cook for a few minutes.
- Add milk, salt and cook until bubble form. Add chopped curry leaves and simmer until gravy thickens.
- Sprinkle with garam masala and serve with parathas or pullao.

VII.2 Curried Egg Balls

Ingredients:

4 Boiled eaas

1 Beaten egg

1tsp Powder pepper

1/4 cup Corn flakes

4 oz Butter

2 pcs Onion

1 Bell pepper

½ cup Flour

2 Tbsp Chili powder

1 Tbsp Ginger paste

3 Chicken stock

Oil for frying

Salt to taste

- Cut boil eggs into small pieces and add to beaten egg. Add powder pepper, cornflakes, salt, flour and mix to smooth dough. Make equal balls and fry in oil.
- In a separate pan, heat butter and fry onions and bell pepper. Add chili powder, ginger salt and stock. Cook in low heat.
- When gravy thickens, add balls to the sauce and cook for 5 minutes. Serve with plain rice.



VIII. GLOSSARY (ENGLISH-INDIAN/INDIAN-ENGLISH)

Α

Aadu Peach Aam Mango

Aamchur Dried mango powder

Achar Pickles
Adrak Ginger
Adrak Ginger
Ajmud Celery seed

Ajwain Oregano (also Bishop's weed)

Akhrot Walnut
Akrothandi Walnut
Allspice (but chini is different) Kabab chini
Almond Badam
Aloo Potato
Alsi Linseed

Amsool, kokam Fruit indigenous to the west

Guava

coast:

Amrud

Ananas Pineapple Anar Pomegranate

Anardana Pomegranate seeds

Anasphal, Dagad phool Star anise
Anda Egg
Angoor Grapes

Aniseed (see also saunf) Vilayati saunf

Apple Sev
Arbi Colocasia plant, elephant ear

Arhar Pigeon-peas (so arhar dal,

Arwa chawal Rice (Raw)
Asafoetida Hing

Asafoetida Perungayam Atta Wheat flour Atta Whole corn flour

Aubergine, Egg Plant Brinjal, baigan, baingan Aubergine, eggplant Baigan, baingan, Brinjal

Ayamodak Oregano

В

Badam Almond

Baigan, baingan, Brinjal Aubergine, eggplant

Bajra, Bajri Millet
Banana Kela
Bandh gobhi Cabbage

Barley Jau Barley Yavam





Barley Jowar
Bay leaf Tej Patta
Bengal gram Kadala
Bengal gram (Flour) Besan

Bengal gram (Flour)

Bengal gram (Split)

Bengal gram (Split)

Kadala mavu

Chana dal

Kadala parippu

Bengal gram (Whole)

Chana

Besan Bengal gram (Flour)
Bhajee Vegetable
Bhatmas Soyabean

Bhatmas Soyabean Bheja Brain

Bhindi Okra (Lady's fingers)

black gram (so urad dal)

Black gram (Split)

Black gram (Split)

Black-eyed beans

Black-eyed beans

Chowli, lobia
Lobia, chowli

blend of cumin, pepper,

Caram Masala

Resident

Brain Bheja Bread (generic) Roti

Brinjal, baigan, baingan Aubergine, Egaplant

Buckwheat Kootu

Butter Makhan, Makkhan
Buttermilk Chhaas, Chhaach

C

Cabbage

Cauliflower

Capsicum, bell peppers

Caraway (see also ipera)

Sing ipera

Caraway (see also jeera)

Cardamom

Siya jeera

Elaychi, Elathari

Cardamom Elaichi, ilaichi
Carrot Gajar
Cashewnut Kaju

Cashewnut Parangi yandi
Cassia (see also Dalchini) Jungli dalchini
Cauliflower Phool Gobbi

Cauliflower Phool Gobhi
Celery seed Ajmud

Chatni, chutney Sweet sauces
Chawal Rice (generic)
Cheruchana vithu Linseed

Cherupayar Green gram (Whole)





Cherupayar parippu Green gram (Split)

Chhaas, Chhaach Buttermilk Chhilka Rind (generic)

Chick peas, gram Chana

Chicken Murg, murgi Chickoo, chikoo Sapodilla

Chilis (so lal mirch is red chilis) Mirch, Mirchi

Chilli Mirch
Chilli Molaku
Chini, shakkar Sugar
Cholam Maize

Cholam Milo
Chowli, lobia Black-eyed beans
Cinnamon Dalchini/Darchini

Clarified butter Ghee
Cloves Krambu

Cloves Lavang
Cloves Lavang, laung

Cobra saffron (CAUTION) Nagkesar, Nagkeshar

Coconut Thenga

Coconut Khopra/Nariyal

Cold milk drink

Colocasia plant

Coriander

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Kothamalli

Coriander leaves Hara dhania

Corn Makai
Cottage cheese Paneer
Cracked wheat Dalia, lapsi
Cracked wheat Lapsi, dalia

Cream Malai
Cucumber Kakari
Cucumber Kheera
Cumin Jeerakam

Cumin Zira Cumin Jeera

Custard apple Sharifa, sitafal

D

Dagad, phool, Anasphal Star anise
Dahi Yoghurt
Dal, dhal Pulses

Dalchini/Darchini Cinnamon

Dalia, lapsi Cracked wheat Dates Khajur

Dhania Coriander
Dill Suwa





Doodh Milk
Dried fruits Mewa
Dried ginger Sonth
Dried mango powder Aamchur
Drink made of syrup Sharbat

Ε

Egg Anda

Elaichi, ilaichi Cardamom
Elathari Cardamom
Elaychi Cardamom
Ellu Gingelly

F

Fennel Perum Jeerakam

Fennel Saunf Fenugreek Methi Fenugreek Uluva Fenugreek Methi

Fish (generic) Machhli, machchhi

Flour Maida

G

Garlic Lessan
Garlic Velluli
Gehun Wheat

Gehun Wheat (so gehun ka atta)

Generic term for essence Ruh, attar, ittar Ghee Clarified butter

Gingelly Ellu
Gingelly Til
Ginger Inji
Ginger Adrak

Gobhi, gobi Cabbage or cauliflower

Gosht Meat
Gothambu Wheat
Gothambu mavu Wheat flour
Grapes Angoor

Green gram (Split) Cherupayar parippu

Green gram (Split)

Green gram (Whole)

Green gram (Whole)

Greens

Griddle

Moong

Moong

Sag

Tawa

Ground nuts Moongphali
Groundnut Moong phalli
Groundnut Nilakadala





Guava Amrud Gulab Rose

Gulab jal Rose water

Gur Jaggery (raw cane sugar)

Gurda Kidney

Н

Haldi Turmeric

Halwa puddingy sweets
Hara dhania Coriander leaves
Henbane Khurasani ajvayayn

Hing Asafoetida Honey Madhu

I

Ice cream Kulfi

Ilaichi, elaichi Cardamom Imli Tamarind Imli Tamarind

Inji Ginger

Ittar, attar, ruh generic term for essence

J

JackfruitKathalJaeeOatsJaggery (raw cane sugar)Gur

Jaiphal Nutmeg
Jaiphal, zaiphal Nutmeg
Jathikka Nutmeg
Jathipatri Mace
Jau Barley
Javithri Mace

Jeera Cumin (see also siya jeera)

Mace

Jeerakam Cumin Jowar Barley Juar Milo

Jungli dalchini Cassia (see also Dalchini)

K

Javitri

KababAny of a variety of meatballsKabab chiniAllspice (but chini is different)Kabuli chanaWhite gram (see also chana)

Kadala Bengal gram

Kadala mavu Bengal gram (Flour) Kadala parippu Bengal gram (Split)

Kaddu Pumpkin (see also lauki, ghia)





Kadugu Mustard
Kaju Cashewnut
Kaju Cashew nuts
Kakari Cucumber
Kala namak rock salt
Kaleja Liver
Kali mirch Pepper

Kalonji Nigella (also called onion

Pepper

seed)

Kali mirch

Kamboo Millet

Kamrakh Starfruit, carambola

Kardi Safflower Karhai, Karai frying pan Kathal Jackfruit

Katori small metal bowls

Keema, kheema Minced meat (usually mutton)

Kela Banana Keora, kewra Screwpine

Kesar, kesari, zafran Saffron (stigma of the crocus

Khajur Dates

Khas khas, khus khus Poppy seeds

Khatta Sour

Kheema/keema Minced meat (usually mutton)

Kheer A milk pudding
Kheera Cucumber
Khopra/Nariyal Coconut
Khurasani aiyayayn Henbane

Khurasani ajvayayn Henbar Kidney Gurda

Kismis Raisins (see also munakka)
Kofta Meatballs or vegetables

shaped

Kokam/amsool Fruit from Garcinia Indica

Kootu Buckwheat
Kothamalli Coriander
Krambu Cloves
Kulfi Icecream
Kumbhi Mushroom
Kurumulagu Pepper

L

Laddoo generic dry sweet balls
Lal mirch Red chilis (see also Mirch)

Lapsi, dalia Cracked wheat

Lauki, ghia A variety of north Indian gourd

Lavang Cloves
Lavang, laung Cloves



Lemon Nimbu
Lentil Masur dal
Lentil Masur parippu

Lessan Garlic

Linseed Alsi/Cheruchana vithu

Liver Kaleja

Lobia, chowli Black-eyed beans

M

Mace Jathipatri
Mace Javithri
Mace Javitri

Machhli, machchhi Fish (generic)

Madhu Honey

Maida Wheat flour (Refined)

Maida Flour

Maidamavu Wheat flour (Refined)

Maize cholam
Maize Makkai
Makai Corn
Makhan, Makkhan Butter
Makkai Maize
Malai Cream

Malai Cream
Mango Aam
Manjal Turmeric

Masala Spices (generic)
Masoor (dal) Red lentils

Masur dal Lentil
Masur parippu Lentil
Matar Peas
Meat Gosht
Meatballs or vegetables shaped Kofta

Methi Fenugreek
Mewa Dried fruits
Milk Doodh

Millet Kamboo/Bajra, Bajri

Milo Cholam Milo Juar

Minced meat (usually mutton) Keema, kheema

Mint Pudina Mirch Chilli

Mirch, Mirchi Chilis (so lal mirch is red chilis)

Molaku Chilli Mooli Radish

Moong Green gram (Whole)

Moong Mung beans

Moong dal Green gram (Split)





Moong phalli Groundnut

Munakka Sultanas or large raisins

MundalRagiMung beansMoongMurg, murgiChickenMushroomKumbhi

Mustard Kadugu/Rai/Sarson/

Mustard seeds Raai Muthari Ragi

Ν

Nagkesar, Nagkeshar Cobra saffron (CAUTION)
Namak, nimak Salt (see also Kala namak)

Nariyal Coconut
Nariyal, khopra Coconut
Nigella (also called onion seed) Kalonji
Nilakadala Groundnut

Nimbu Lemon

Nutmeg Jaiphal/Jathikka/zaiphal

0

Oats Jaee

Oil Tel

Okra (Lady's fingers)

Onion (Small)

Onions

Bhindi

Pyaz

Piaz, pyaz

Oregano Ajwain
Oregano Ayamodak
Oregano Ajwain

Ρ

Pachari Rice (Raw)

Palak Spinach (also sag)

Paneer Cottage cheese, fromage

blanc

Papadom
Papar
Papar
Papadom
Papaya
Papita
Papita
Parangi yandi
Pauwa, poha
Papar
Papar
Papaya
Cashewnut
Rice flakes

Peach Aadu
Peas Matar
Pepper Kali mirch
Pepper Kurumulagu
Pepper Kali mirch
Pepper Kali mirch
Pepper Fennel





Perungayam Asafoetida Phool Gobhi Cauliflower Piaz, pyaz Onions Pickles Achar

Pigeon-peas Arhar/Toor/tuvar

Pineapple Ananas Pista Pistachio Pistachio Pista

Poha, pauwa Rice flakes

Pomegranate Anar

Pomegranate seeds Anardana

Poppy seeds Khas khas, khus khus

Potato Aloo
Pudina Mint
Puli Tamarind
Pulses Dal, dhal
Pumpkin Kaddu

Puzhangalari Rice (Parboiled)

Pyaz Onion (Small)

R

Raai Mustard seeds

Rabri Sweetened clotted milk

Radish Mooli Ragi Mundal Ragi Muthari

RaiMustard

Raisins (see also munakka) Kismis

Raita Yoghurt mix

Rajma Red Kidney beans

Rawa Semolina Rawa, sooji Semolina

Red chilis (see also Mirch)

Red Kidney beans

Lal mirch

Rajma

Red lentils Masoor (dal)
Rice (generic) Chawal
Rice (Parboiled) Puzhangalari

Rice (Parboiled)

Rice (Raw)

Sice (Raw)

Usna chawal

Arwa chawal

Pachari

Rice flakes Pauwa, poha

Rice flakes Poha, pauwa Rind (generic) Chhilka

rock salt Kala namak Rose Gulab

Rose water Gulab jal

Roti Bread (generic)



Ruh, attar, ittar generic term for essence

S

Sabudana Sago

Sabzi, Sabji Vegetable (generic)

Safflower Kardi

Saffron-stigma of the crocus Kesar, kesari, zafran

Sag Greens
Sago Sabudana
Salt (see also Kala namak) Namak, nimak
Sapodilla Chickoo, chikoo

Sapodilla Chickoo Sarson Mustard Saunf Fennel

Savoury or sweet sauces Chatni, chutney Screwpine Keora, kewra

Seekh Skewer (so seekh kabab)

Semiya, seviyan Vermicelli Semolina Rawa Semolina Sooji

Semolina Rawa, sooji Semolina Sooji, rawa

Sesame Til
Sev Apple

Shakahari Vegetarian Shakarkand Sweet potatoes

Shakkar/chini Sugar Shalgam Turnip

Sharbat Drink made of syrup and water

Sharifa, sitafal Custard apple Shorba Soup, gravy

Simla mirch Capsicum, bell peppers

Singhara Water chestnuts

Sirka Vinegar

Sitafal, sharifa Custard apple

Siya jeera Caraway (see also jeera)

Skewer (so seekh kabab)

Seekh
small metal bowls

Katari

small metal bowls

Sonth

Sooji

Katori

Dried ginger

Semolina

Sooji, rawa Semolina Soup, gravy Shorba Sour Khatta Soyabean Bhatmas

Spices (generic)
Spinach (also sag)

Masala
Palak

Split chick peas Chana dal





Split gram Thuvara parippu

Split gram Tuwar dal

Star anise Anasphal, Dagad phool

Starfruit, carambola Kamrakh
Sugar Shakkar/chini
Sugar Chini, shakkar
Sultanas or large raisins Munakka

Sulfanas or large raisins Munakka Sunflower Suriamukhi Sunflower Suryakanthi Suriamukhi Sunflower

Suwa Dill

Sweet potatoes Shakarkand

Sweetened clotted milk Rabri

Т

Tamarind Imli
Tamarind Puli
Tamarind Imli
Tamarar Tomato

Tandoor oven of baked mud

Tawa Griddletechnique where meat cooked in Korma/khorma

Tej Patta Bay leaf

Tel Oil (generic, so sarson ka tel,

Thandai Cold milk drink

Thenga Coconut
Thuvara parippu Split gram

Til Gingelly Til Sesame

Tomato Tamatar

Toor/tuvar
Turmeric
Haldi
Turmeric
Manjal
Turmeric
Haldi
Turmip
Shalgam
Tuwar dal
Split gram

Uluva Fenugreek

U

Urad black gram (so urad dal)

Urad dal Black gram (Split)
Usna chawal Rice (Parboiled)
Uzhunnu parippu Black gram (Split)

V

Vegetable Bhajee
Vegetable (generic) Sabzi, Sabji





Vegetarian Shakahari Velluli Garlic

Vermicelli Semiya, seviyan

Vilayati saunf Aniseed (see also saunf)

Vinegar Sirka

W

Walnut Akhrot
Walnuts Akhrot
Water chestnuts Singhara
Wheat Gehun
Wheat Gothambu

Wheat (so gehun ka atta)

Wheat flour

Gehun

Atta

Wheat flour Gothambu mavu

Wheat flour (Refined) Maida

Wheat flour (Refined)

White gram

Maidamavu

Kabuli chana

Whole corn flour Atta

Υ

Yavam Barley Yoghurt Dahi Yoghurt mix Raita

Z

Zafran, kesar, kesari Saffron (stigma of the crocus)

Zaiphal, jaiphal Nutmeg Zira Cumin