

### 3.2.2.3.4.14 Worldwide tongkat ali shortage

Apart from being a testosterone booster, and a proven malaria defense, highly concentrated tongkat ali extract is the world's only drug that effectively treats recurring migraines and persistent headaches. However, only high-concentration extract will work to wash out migraine-causing chemicals, and a particular dietary regimen must be part of the treatment.

Tongkat ali is already rare and expensive. Which is why it is hardly ever used for malaria. Anyway, malaria prevails only among the poor in the poorest countries of the world, so no competing buyers there for already expensive tongkat ali. There are also cheap chemical malaria drugs, so the issue of tongkat ali and malaria is not urgent.

The market for sexual enhancement substances contributes much more seriously to the depletion of the tongkat ali tree in the forests of Southeast Asia, the only part in the world where it grows.

Just look at Pfizer's Blue sales to get an idea:

Pfizer's Blue: The profitable pill

But what really pushes the tongkat ali tree to the brink of extinction is the root's effectiveness against migraines and other headaches.

There are more than 100 million migraine sufferers in the developed world.

Risk Factor Management Helps Prevent Migraine Attacks

Who has Migraines?

And only a high-concentration tongkat ali extract, and even that in comparatively high dosages, will reliably work against migraine attacks.

A serious tongkat ali shortage, accompanied by rising prices, is pre-programmed by nature. Tongkat ali roots take 15 years to grow to reach their pharmacological usefulness. And tongkat ali is very selective as to where it grows: it prefers only sandy slopes in tropical rain forests.

Tongkat ali is already a protected plant in Malaysia and Thailand. And Indonesia, while not withdrawing old permits, is no longer issuing government licenses for new tongkat ali products. Indonesia has also started to intercept illegal tongkat ali products, and illegal items declared as tongkat ali, at all the country's post offices.

All of these aspects combined do not look like a scenario for falling prices.

But what you will see, sure as hell, are ever more fakes. Even now, ingredients dealers in the USA just sell root powder and say it's extract. And traders on Alibaba, eBay, and Amazon just sell cheap tribulus, or chemical mixtures from China, and claim: hey, man, this is genuine tongkat ali from Indonesia. Bullshit!

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