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KARMARD

Marathi: Karvand

Botanical name-. Carissa carandas

Synonyms: Arduina carandas (L.) Baill. Carissa salicina Lam.

Family: Apocynaceae.

Common name: Black current

Description— The plant Carissa carandas (Apocynaceae) is an evergreen shrub or small crooked tree up to 3 m in tall with dichotomous branches armed with simple or forked, 2-4 cm long, paired axillary thorns. Bark is yellowish brown, peeling in square flakes.

Attributes: Rasa-Madhur, Veerya- Sheeta, Vipak-Madhur. Guna – Snigdha

Medicinal uses. Various parts (fruits, leaves, bark and roots) of Carissa carandas are popular for their medicinal use in diarrhea, constipation, malaria, epilepsy, neurological disorder, pain, myopathic spams, leprosy, anorexia, cough, pharangitis, diabetes, seizures, scabies and fever