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PUNNAG

Marathi Name:

Botanical Name:

Synonyms:

Family:

Common name:

Description:

Punnag

Calophyllum inophyllum

Calophyllum spurium Choisy

., Calophyllum wakamatsui Kaneh.

Clusiaceae (Garcinia family)

tamanu, mastwood, beach calophyllum or beautyleaf

Beauty Leaf, Alexandrian laurel, ball tree, beach calophyllum, beauty leaf, domba oil tree, Indian laurel, mast wood, oilnut tree, pinnay oil tree, red poon

Sultan Champa(Hindi)is a beautiful large evergreen tree native to southern coastal India, East Africa, Malaysia and Australia. It is a low-branching and slow-growing tree with a broad and irregular crown. It usually reaches 8 to 20 m in height. The tree supports a dense canopy of glossy, elliptical leaves. The very fragrant white flowers are 25 mm across and occur in racemose or paniculate inflorescences consisting of 4 to 15 flowers. The flowers have snow-white petals with a thick center of yellow stamens. The fragrant flowers have been prized as an adornment and as a perfume. The fruit (the ballnut) is a round, green drupe reaching 2 to 4 cm in diameter and having a single large seed. When ripe, the fruit is wrinkled and its color varies from yellow to brownish-red. This tree often grows in coastal regions as well as nearby lowland forests. However it has also been cultivated successfully in inland areas at moderate altitudes.

Attributes:

Rasa- Madhur, Kashay, Veerya- Sheeta, Vipak – Madhur, Guna- Laghu, Ruksha.

Medicinal uses:

C. inophyllum is very important for its medicinal value. Various parts of this plant such as the leaves, bark, flowers, fruits and seeds were used for the treatment of different ailments in the indigenous system of medicine such as skin diseases, wounds, ulcers, vaginal discharge and the passing of blood after child birth, gonorrhoea, chronic bronchitis, phthisis, sore eyes, heatstroke, migraine and vertigo, and are being employed as antiseptics, astringents, expectorants, diuretics and purgatives