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## **DEPARTMENT OF DRAVYAGUNA**



## **SHANKASUR**

Marathi: Shankasur

Botanical name: Caesalpinia pulcherrima Synonyms: Caesalpinia pulcherrima

Family: Caesalpiniceae

Common name: Peacock Flower, Pride of Barbados, Dwarf poinciana

Description: This beautiful tree, place of origin is unknown, is sometimes called Dwarf

Poinciana due to the resemblence of its flowers and leaves to those of Gulmohar. They are botanically related but Peacock flower plant grows only to a height of about 3 meters, retains its leaves throughout the year, and blooms continuously. Flowers, which appear in clusters on long erect stems, are smaller than those of Gulmohar and have exceptionally long stamens and a prominent pistil which protrudes from the center. The most common color is red-orange, but one variety has pure yellow flowers.

Attributes: Rasa-..., Veerya-..... Vipaka-...., Guna-.....

## Medicinal uses:

- ·Some traditional healers tout Caesalpinia pulcherrima as a fever-reducing treatment.
- ·Gargling with a tea made from caesalpinia pulcherrima may help treat mouth and throat sores.
- ·Caesalpinia pulcherrima may be effective in assisting with weight loss.

Caesalpinia pulcherrima has been used to treat minor injuries.