

Plant Species

Accepted Name: *Butea monosperma* (LAM.) TAUB.

Family: FABACEAE

Synonyms:

- *Butea frondosa* ROXB. ET KOEN.
- *Butea monosperma* (LAM.) TAUB. var. *monosperma*

Used in: Ayurveda, Siddha, Unani, Folk, Sowa Rigpa

Habit: Tree

Distribution: This species is globally distributed in Indo-Malesia. Within India, it is found throughout, except in the arid regions, ascending the Himalayas up to 900 m and in Peninsular India up to 1200 m.



Common Uses

The Root, leaves, petioles, flowers, seeds and exudate in the form of juice and powder to treat fever, diarrhoea, intrinsic haemorrhage, worms, colic, cough, filaria, eye diseases, scorpion-sting, as contraceptive and as rejuvinate. Worms 1. Decoction of palasa seed or paste of the same with rice-water should be taken (40-60 ml) (SS.U.54.25) 2. Decoction of palasa seeds mixed with honey or paste of the same with buttermilk should be taken. It destroys worms (40-60 ml) (VM.7.7; BP.Ci.7.21). conjunctivitis: 1. Flowers of palasa should be rubbed with honey and used as collyrium (SS.U.10.9) 2. Exudate of palasa or sallaki (*Boswellia serrata*) mixed with sugar and honey should be used as collyrium (SS.U.10.7)

Herbarium



Geographical Distribution Map



Conservation Concern Details

State	Threat States ^{With Assessment year}	Trade
Andhra Pradesh	EN ²⁰⁰¹	High
Rajasthan	VU ²⁰⁰⁷	High

Languages (No. of Names) :	Vernacular Names
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English (7) :	bastard teak, bengal kino, dhak, flame of the forest, muduga oil, palas, tisso flowers
Hindi (27) :	chhola, chichra, chinchra, desukajhad, dhak, kakria, kankrei, kesu, kesuda, khakario, khakra, khankhera, khankhro, khankra, palah, palas, phalas, plah, tesu, chuniagond, dhara, faras, kankeri, palas (dhak), palas-ke-binj, palas-ki-gond, tasu
Kannada (27) :	brahma vriksha, brahmavriksha, kamata, meghanaada, mottuga, muthuga, muttala, mutthala beeja, mutthala mara, mutthalu, mutthuga, mutthugada aele, mutthugada mara, muttuga, palasa, vaathapotha mara, brahmavryksha, muthingee, muthli, muthuge, muttaga-mara, muttagamara, muttakka, muttuga-gida, muttuge, mutukinaballi, thoras
Malayalam (38) :	brahmavriksham, camata, chamatha, kimshukam, mukkappuyam, muriku, palas, palasi, palasinjamatapuppulasi, splash, plaso, plasu, shamata, brahmavryksham, chamada, chamata, kimsukam, mukampuyam, mukappuyam, mukkampuyam, murikku, murukka-maram, murukkamaram, murukku, palasie, palasincamata, palasinsamatha, palaso, pilacam, pilacham, pilasu, plach-cha, plas, plasa, pupalasai, puppalasi, ralasa, samatha
Marathi (7) :	kakracha, palas, paras, phalas, phulas, murkampoo, palash
Persian (5) :	darakht-e-palasha, darakhte-palah, palah, samaghe-palah, tukhme-palah
Sanskrit (42) :	asana, bandhukapushpa, bijasneha, brahmavriksha, brahmavrkshah, bramhapadapa, bramhopaneta, hastikarnapalasha, ka, kamalasana, karaka, kashtadru, kinshuka, kinsukah, krimighna, ksarasrestha, ksharashreshtha, ksharasresthah, lakshataru, palasa, palasah, palasha, parna, putadru, raktapushpaka, raktapuspaka, samidvara, sharashreshdna, sruvavrksa, suparni, tapasavrksah, tripatraka, tripatrika, vakrapushpaka, vatapotha, vatapothah, yajnika, kimsuka, kinsuka, palashabijam, palashaniryasam, palashavrikshaha
Tamil (133) :	ankarikam, ankaritam, antaraputpam, carapala, cavulaka, cayikkari, cayikkarimaram, cira, cirettam, ciyu, cuccam, elaiporasu, ilaippuracai, ilaippuracamaram, irattaputpam, kalavacu, kali, kali1@, kali2, kalicceti, kaliram, kampiram, kancikai, kattumurukku, kettimekitamaram, kettimetikam, kincukam, kincuki, kinjugam, kirumicatturu, kiruminacam, kirumisatturu, mukkampuyam, mukkappuyam, mukkukkavalam, mukkukkavalamaram, mullumurukku 1, mullumurunkai 1, murukkam, murukkam vittu, murukkan, murukkan vidai, murukkanmaram, murukku, mutpalacu, mutpalacumaram, nervanikam, nervanikamaram, palacu, palacumaram, palasu, paliru, paliruvi, parasa, pariyam1, pauttiramurunkai#, pauttiramurunkai@, pinayakkam, pinayakkamaram, piramataru 1@, piramataru 2, pirocanam, pirocanam#, pirocanam@, pokamikavaci, porasu, punamurrungai, punamurukku, punamurukku 1, punamurunkai 1, pungu, punku 1, puntanar, puntunar, pupalas, puppalacu, puracampu, puracu, puracumaram, puraicu, purocu, putattunar, takar, takaru2, takarumaram, tikkuru#, tikkuru@, tipanaracam, tiripatcakam, tiriviruntam, tirkkapalai2, vakkiraputpam, vallai, vallaimaram, valliru, vallirumaram, vammaram 1, vanapattimam, vanapattimaram, vanapattiram, vanapattiramaram, vanapattiyam, velataram 1, velataramaram 1, velittukam, velittukamaram, vikacitam, vikacitamaram, vipannakam, vippirappiriyam, virumataru,

vita, vitari, vitariceti, murkampoo, murrukku, murukkam pu, murukkampu, murukkan-maram, murukkilai, palacam, palasam, palasham, parasu, placu, porasum cottay, porasum verei, pun murunkai ver, puracam, puracampattai, puraishu, purashu, purasu

Telugu (22) : kimshukamu, kimsukamu, maduga, moduga, moduga chettu, palaashamu, palasamu, tellamoduga, thellamoduga, togarumoduga, vatapodhamu, mataka, modagu, moduga-chettu, modugu, mooduga, mothu, muduga, paladul, palashamu, togaramoduga, togarnmoduga

Tibetan (3) : rgya skyegs, rgya skyegs sin, tshos-sin

Urdu (13) : chunia gond, dhak, dhak (tesu), gond chunya, gul-e-tesu, palas, palas papra, palashpapra, palaspapra (dhak), poast dhak, samagh-e-dhak, tesu, gond dhak

Arabic (2) : chirongi, kamar kas

Parts Used (No. of Names) :	Trade Name
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- (1) : PALASHPAPDA

FLOWER (1) : PALASU

FLOWERS (4) : MURUKKAM POO, PALASH PHOOL, PALASHA, TESU PHOOL

GUM (5) : GOND-CHUNYA, KAMARKAS, LAC (PALASH), PALASHA, PALASU

Not recorded (5) : GOND CHUNIYA, GONDCHINIYA, KESUDAPHOOL, PALASHPHOOL, PHOOL TESU, PLAASIN THOLI

ROOTS (1) : PALASH

SEED (1) : PALASU

SEEDS (4) : BEEJ PALASH, PALASH, PALASH BEEJA, TESU BEEJA

WOOD (1) : PALASH LAKDI

WOOD EXTRACT (2) : KAMARKAS, MUTHUGADA GONDU



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