

Botanical Survey of India

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Image Details of Economy Botany Herbarium

Barcode: CAL0000013553

Family: MORACEAE

Scientific Name: Madhuca butyracea (Roxb.) J.F.Macbr.

Collector: G. King

Country: India

Uses: Flowers are good source of honey. Nectar from the flowers is used in the preparation of sweet syrup, highly prized in Kumaun. Seeds yield a fat called Phulwa or Phulwara Butter, used as a cooking medium; also employed in the manufacture of margarine and as an adulterant of ghee. Fat burns without smoke or smell and may be used for making candles and as an illuminant. It makes excellent soap and may be mixed with sweet-scented oils for use as hair poma