PLANT FACT SHEET

Garcinia terpnophylla Thwaites

GENUS *Garcinia* **FAMILY** Clusiaceae

COMMON NAMES Indian gamboge

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit, Seeds - oil

DESCRIPTION

A tall tree. The branches are drooping. The bark is pale, smooth and thin. The leaves vary in shape and size. They are opposite. The leaves are oval and 8-20 cm long. They are dark green above and more pale underneath. The young leaves are pink. The flowers are in clusters and are pale yellow. They have a scent. Female flowers are larger than male flowers. The fruit are about 3 cm across. They are smooth and pointed.

HABITAT

It is a tropical plant. It grows in Sri Lanka in wet forests between 300-1,200 m above sea level.

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