PLANT FACT SHEET

Dacryodes rostrata (Blume) H. J. Lam

GENUS *Dacryodes* **FAMILY** Burseraceae

COMMON NAMES Asem begomdang, Kedondong kerut

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The pulp of the fruit is edible.
The fruit are preserved in salt or soy sauce and eaten as an appetiser with rice or porridge.

DESCRIPTION

A tree. It grows up to 25-45 m tall. The trunk is 1 m across. It can have buttresses. The leaves are alternate and compound. The leaves have 2-10 pairs of leaflets. The flowers are hairy and in groups 5-23 cm long in the axils of leaves. The fruit stalk is stout. The fruit are oblong and yellow to bluish-black. They are 2-4 cm long by 1-2 cm wide. They have a smooth skin. The flesh is yellowish-purple. They contain one seed.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in primary forest and occasionally in swamps up to 600 m altitude above sea level. It can grow on limestone.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown by seeds.

Harvesting and Seed Production

Trees fruit between March and September.

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