PLANT FACT SHEET

Sterculia parviflora Roxb.

GENUS *Sterculia* **FAMILY** Malvaceae

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Seeds

The seeds are eaten.

DESCRIPTION

A large deciduous tree. It grows 7-20 m high. The trunk is 30-45 cm across. The trunk is curved and branches early. The fruit are 4-5.5 cm long and 3 cm wide. They consist of 5 follicles. They are arranged in a star shape. They are yellowish red. There are 3-5 black seeds.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. It grows in primary and secondary forest below 500 m altitude. It often grows on limestone mountain areas.

PRODUCTION

Cultivation

Plants are grown from seeds.

Harvesting and Seed Production

It is slow growing.

NOTES

Unresolved in the Plant List but also put as a synonym of Sterculia kayae with a different author.
Also put in the family Sterculiaceae.

PICTURES



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