PLANT FACT SHEET

Scurrula atropurpurea (Blume) Danser

GENUS *Scurrula* **FAMILY** Loranthaceae

COMMON NAMES Dapong-kahoi

EDIBLE PARTS AND USES

Edible parts: Fruit

The fleshy portion of the fruit is eaten raw when ripe.

DESCRIPTION

A much branched coarse shrub. It grows and lives on other trees. The twigs are greyish brown. The leaves are opposite and scattered. The flower cluster has several flowers around a stalk. The fruit are long and round and thickly covered with a greyish white powder-like substance.

HABITAT

A tropical plant. These are parasites on a number of different hosts of the lowland regions of the Philippines. They are more common in central Luzon.

NOTES

There are about 10 Loranthus species.

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