

CHIRONJI (Charoli)

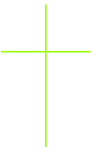
Chironji Tree is a medium-sized deciduous tree, growing to about 50 ft tall. It bears fruits each containing a single seed, which is popular as an edible nut, known as chironji. It is common in our forests mostly in eroded ravine lands. It avoids waterlogged areas, but occurs locally in clay soils. It can be identified by the dark grey crocodile bark with red blaze. A good species for afforesting bare hill slopes. It has tickly leathery leaves which are broadly oblong, with blunt tip and rounded base. Leaves have 10-20 pairs of straight, parallel veins. Pyramidal panicles of greenish white flowers appear in early spring. Fruits ripen from April to May and remain on the tree for quite a long time. Flowering: January-March.

Other Names: Charoli, Chiranji, Buchanania lanzan



Description:

The Buchanania lanzan also known as Chironji, Chiranji, Charoli fruits are considered as one of the delicious wild fruits. The seeds are also eaten. The seeds are regarded as substitute for almonds. Chironji tree produces gum benzoin similar but inferior to that from Styrax benzoin. Bark yields tannin (upto 13 percent) and used in tannin industries. As mentioned earlier, the seed is substitute to almond, the natives extract oil for seed and use it as almond oil. According to reference literatures, it is also good substitute to olive-oil. Chironji is used for coating tablets for delayed action. For the natives and traditional healers Chironji is a valuable herb. The natives use seeds for the preparation of sweets. A sweet dish called "Chironji Ki Barfi" is much popular among them both for delicious taste and nutritional properties. It is specially recommended for newly wed couples. Chironji is an almost evergreen, moderate sized tree, with straight, cylindrical trunk, upto 15 meters and tomentose branches. Bark rough dark grey or black, fissured into prominent squares, 1.25-1.75 cm thick, reddish inside. Leaf thickly coriaceous, broadly oblong, obtuse, base rounded. Flower small, greenish -white, in axillary or terminal panicles. Calyx 3-5 lobed, 1mm long, ovate, apex obtuse, petals 4-5, 3mm long, ovate, subacute. Disc fleshy, 5-lobed, stamens 10, inserted at the base of the disc, filaments linear. Ovary of 5-6 free carpels, situated inside the disc, only 1 carpel fertile. Drupe 8-12 in diameter. Seed hard stone, 4300-5300/Kg. According to reference literatures related to different systems of medicine in India, as medicine, roots, leaves, fruit, seeds and gum are used. According to Ayurveda, it removes biliousness, and cures blood disorders, fevers, thirst, ulcers, burning sensation of body. It is fattening, laxative, binding, cooling, aphrodisiac, cardio-tonic, astringent to bowels etc. According to Unani system of medicine, leaf juice is digestive, expectorant, aphrodisiac, purgative, blood purifier and allays thirst. Seeds are tonic to body and brain and useful in treatment of gleet, urinary concretions, fevers etc.



Common Indian Names of Chironji

Languages	Names
(1) Bengali	Chironji
(2) Gujarati and Marathi	Charoli, Pyalchar
(3) Hindi	Achar, Char, Paira, Piyal
(4) Kanarese	Murkali, Charpoppu
(5) Malyalam	Mungaper
(6) Oriya	Charu
(7) Sanskrit	Priyalam, Char, Dhanu, Rajadana, Tapaspriya
(8) Tamil	Morala
(9) Telugu	Saara chettu, Morichettu

Medicinal uses:

The roots are acrid, astringent, cooling, depurative and constipating, and are useful in treatment of diarrhoea. Leaves are used in the treatment of skin diseases. Fruits are used in treating cough and asthma.



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