



***Dendrocalamus hamiltonii* Gamble**

Family: Poaceae

Common name: Kaghsi bans



Description:

Dendrocalamus hamiltonii is distributed to sub- Himalayan region from satlej to Assam ascending to 3000 ft. It is a large tufted bamboo with erect or curved clumps and large branches forming nearly impenetrable growth. Clumps grey up to 80 ft long and thin walled. Culm sheaths are green when young and turn yellowish brown when mature, and are long and gradually tapering upwards from a flattened base. Upper surfaces of the sheaths are covered with patches of blackish-brown hairs. Lower surfaces of the sheaths are not hairy.

Utilization:

The most important use of bamboo is in the manufacture of paper. It is used as fodder and also as fuel. Its long internode or large lumen make it particularly suitable for use as water conduits. Young shoots are used as vegetable. It is also used in manufacturing of huts, baskets etc.

Part	Uses
Leaf	Fodder
Young shoots	Vegetable