



***Desmodium oojeinensis* (Roxb.) H.Ohashi**

Family: Papilionaceae

Common name: Sandan



Description:

Desmodium oojeinensis is a small deciduous tree up to 12 m tall with grey or dark brown, deeply cracked bark. Leaves are alternate, trifoliate and lanceolate. leaflets broadly ovate, 7.5-15 cm long, coriaceous and glabrous from upper side. Flowers are white or pink, somewhat fragrant, borne in short-fascicled racemes arising from the nodes of old branches. Fruits (pods) linear-oblong, 5-7.5 cm long, light brown, flat, reticulately veined having 2-5 seeds.

Utilization:

Juice of the root, mixed with the powder of two fruits of black pepper, is taken in cases of eye trouble. A sap exudate is used to make a medicine against dysentery. Bark fibres is suitable for making rope.

Part	Uses
Gum	Digestive troubles

References:

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