



Official Name		Mallotus philippensis (Lam.)	
English Name		Indian Kamala	
Botanical Name		Mallotus philippensis Muell Arg.	
Family		Euphorbiaceae	
Taxonomical classification		Kingdom- Plantae Class- Dicotyledons Subclass- Monochlamydae Order- Unisexuales Family- Euphorbiaceae Genus- Mallotus Species- philippensis	
Synonyms		रक्तांग, रक्तचूर्ण, रंजका	
Habitat		Grows throughout India and commonly seen in South Indian states like Karnataka Kerala and TamilNadu.	
Botanical Identification	Habit	Kampillaka is a small to medium-sized evergreen tree. It typically grows to a height of 10-25 meters The tree has a thin, dark gray or brown bark, and its young branches are rusty.	

Root		The tree reproduces from root suckers but the growth is very slow.	
Stem/Bark		The bark is typically described as thin, dark gray, and somewhat rough, with young branches being rusty in color	
Leaves	Phyllotaxy	Alternate	

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Inflorescence		Male inflorescence is long terminal spike whereas female inflorescence is short spike.																	
Flower		<p>Dioecious, small</p> <p>Male flower- clustered sessile or very shortly pedicellate</p> <p>Female flowers- Thicker as compared to male flowers. Ovary has red glands.</p>																	

Floral formula/ Diagram		♂ K(4), C0, A∞; ♀ K(4), C0, G(3)	
Fruit		Capsule, 8-13mm in diameter, 3 lobed, covered with a bright red powder	

Types	It is a single species with different names.
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Chemical Constituents in Kampillaka	Class of constituents	Compounds present in class
	a) Heart wood	Lupeol Lupeol acetate Sitosterol Arginin

	b) Bark	Acetylalaceritolic acid α Amyrin Sitosterol Sitosterol glucoside
	C) seeds	Bergenin Corotoxigenin-L-rhamnoside

Market information	Its availability as a raw material for traditional medicine and its use in Ayurvedic formulations and its potential in the cosmetic and dye industries helps in significant growth in its market.
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Adulteration/Substitution	Adulteration with substances like brick powder, annatto dye, or bark powders can occur. Solubility, color staining, and burning tests can help identify genuine Kampillaka.
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Cultivation	Not typically cultivated on a large scale, though it can be propagated through seeds and root suckers. The tree is naturally distributed in tropical and subtropical regions, including India, where it grows in diverse soil types and can tolerate shade, frost, and drought
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Flowering season	September to November	
Harvesting	Harvested typically in February and march	
Present Status- Not concerned/ Endangered/ Extinct	Endangered	
Conservation method	primary conservation method for Kampillaka involves purifying the raw material through a process of washing and shade drying	
Main Uses	कृमिनाशक विषहरण	
Part used	Flower, fruit hair	
Dose	Medicinal Dose	Powder of fruit- 2 to 3g (for adults) 1 to 2g (for children)
	Toxic Dose	Toxic at higher doses
	Fatal Dose	Nil
Antidote or treatment (if any)	Nil	
Purification (if any)	The primary method involves mixing the powdered fruit resin with water. Impurities, being heavier, settle down, while the lighter, purified Kampillaka powder floats and is collected.	
Formulations	काम्पिलका चूर्ण	त्रिफलादि घृत
Rogadhikara	कृमिनाशक	
Reference	भा . प्र . चि. 7/22	