Flame Of The Forest

Butea monosperma (Lam.)

Code: TREE-00022 **Category:** Trees **Local / Vernacular name:** Kannada: Muthugada mara, Paalasha., Malayalam: Palasin panatha.

Botanical Details

Family : Fabaceae

Characteristic features:

Habit : An erect deciduous tree with young parts hairy.

Bark : Light brown or greyish.

Leaves : Tri-foliate, leaflets coriaceous, roundish-ovate, leathery in texture.

Flowers : In big racemes, orange-red, bracts and bracteoles small, calyx campanulate, silky hairy outside, velvety inside, petals equal, silky hairy, keel semicircular, beaked.Stamens 10, diadelphous, ovary stalked, style incurved.

Fruit : Pods thin, downy bright 1-2 seeded.

Flowering and Fruiting Time : February-March

Significance: Test tube tree, developed by Dr. Kavitha Kulkarni from Dr Küpper's Biotech Unit Laboratory of Applied Biology

Location

GPS: 12.87300000, 74.84600000

Directions: https://www.google.com/maps/dir/?api=1&travelmode=walking&destination=12.873%2C74.846