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Code: TREE-00054 **Category:** Trees **Local / Vernacular name:** Kannada: Chandakala, Chandakanni., Tulu: Uppalige., Malayalam: Vatta., Tamil: Vattikanni.

Botanical Details

Family : Euphorbiaceae

Characteristic Features:

Habit : Resinous trees up to 10 m tall; branchlets glaucous; young parts brown tomentose.

Leaves : alternate, peltate, orbicular or broadly ovate, up to 50 x 21 cm, rounded at base, acute or acuminate at apex, red-glandular and villous beneath; petiole up to 25 cm long.

Flowers : Male flowers in axillary panicles, clustered in the axils of large bracts with dentate apex. Perianth lobes 3. Stamens 2-3. Female panicles simpler than in the male. Ovary globose, densely glandular; style lateral.

Capsules : globose, ca 5 mm across, glandular.

Seed : solitary, globose.

Flowering : March.

Fruiting : May.