Haritarium

Family Code: 269 Species code: <u>8</u> - 1A

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Beilschmiedia dalzellii (Meisn)Kosterm.

Botanical name: Beilschmiedia dalzellii (Meisn.)Kosterm. (=B.fagifolia Bedd. Var. dalzellii Meissn.)

Family: Lauraceae

Vernacular name: Umber

Threatened category: Endangered

Key characters: Evergreen tree, Leaves penninerved, perianth, glabrous, deciduous, Anthers two celled, third row extrorse.

**Description:** Trees, 8- 20 m tall, old trees butressed. Young parts glabrous, Leaves coriaceous 5-15X 2.5-6.0 cm, elliptic-ovate to ovate-lanceolate, leathery, glabrous above, reticultely veined beneath, base tapering; main nerves about 10 pairs. Flowers small, greenish-brown, in axillary panicles; Perianth 6; stamens 9, in three rows; outer 2 whorls introrse, 3<sup>rd</sup> whorl extrorse, staminodes in 4<sup>th</sup> whorl. Ovary, pubescent, tapering into the style. Fruits smooth, ovoid or ellipsoid, up to 3.5 X 1.6 cm, dark brown when dry.

Flowering and fruiting: November-June.

Distribution: India- Endemic to Western Ghats.

Localities: Kolhapur, Pune, Raigad, Ratnagiri, Satara, Sindhudurg, and Thane.

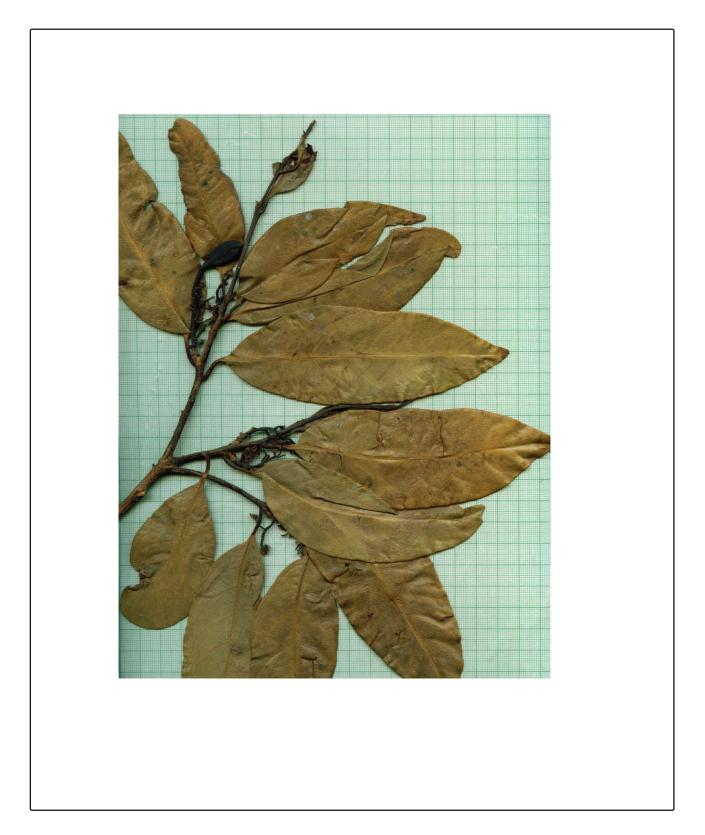
**Ecology**: Rarely found in protected semi-evergreen forests, valley regions and sacred groves. Altitude ranges between 600-1200m. The fruits are eaten by gaint squirrel.

Association: No specific plant association is observed.

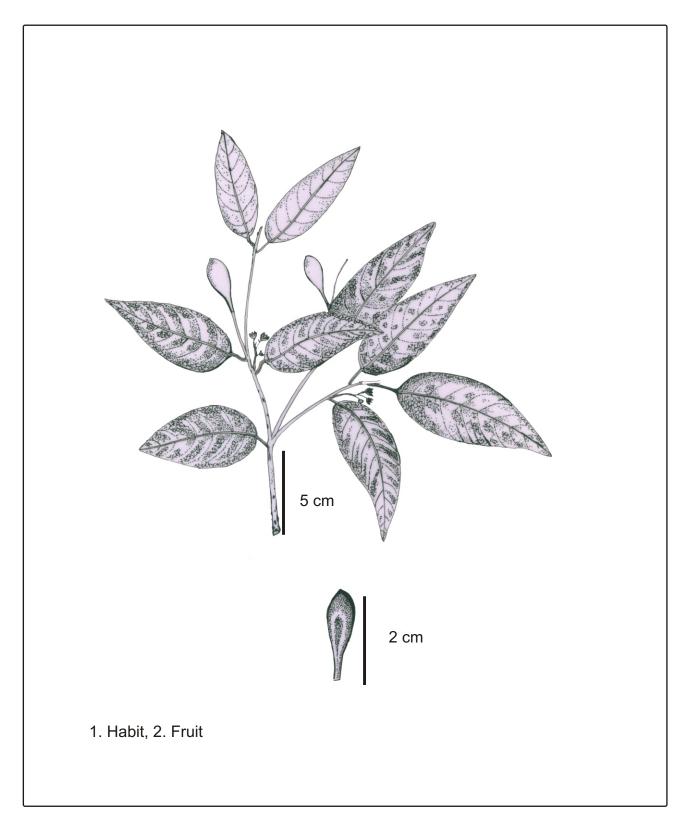




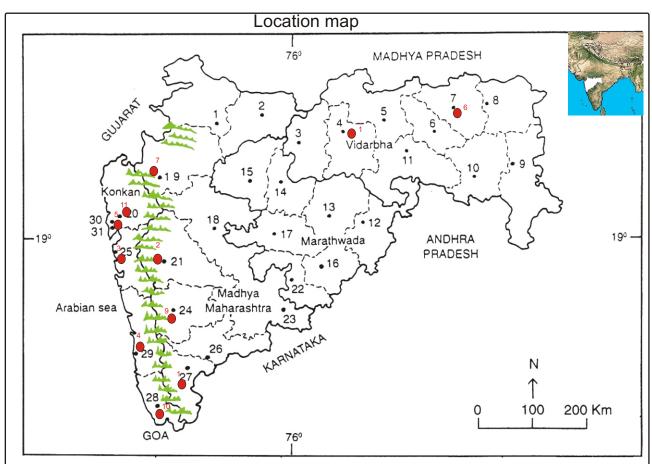




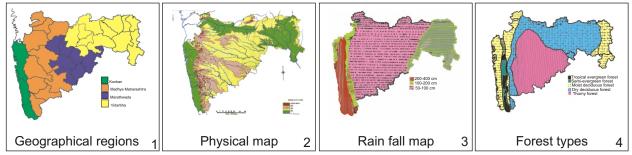








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Chandrapur 11. Yavatmal 12. Nanded 13. Parbhani 14. Jalna 15. Aurangabad 16.Latur
Beed 18. Ahmadnagar 19 Nashik 20. Thane 21. Pune 22. Osmanabad 23. Solapur 24.Satara
Raigad 26.Sangli 27. Kolhapur 28. Sindhudurg 29. Ratnagiri 30.Mumbai 31.Greater Mumbai.



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Pune, 9. Satara, 10. Sindhudurg, 11.Thane.
Geographical distribution in Maharashtra:
Latitude (DMS): Between 17 ° 49' -21 ° 53' N & Longitude (DMS): 72 ° 58'-79°.05' E.

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