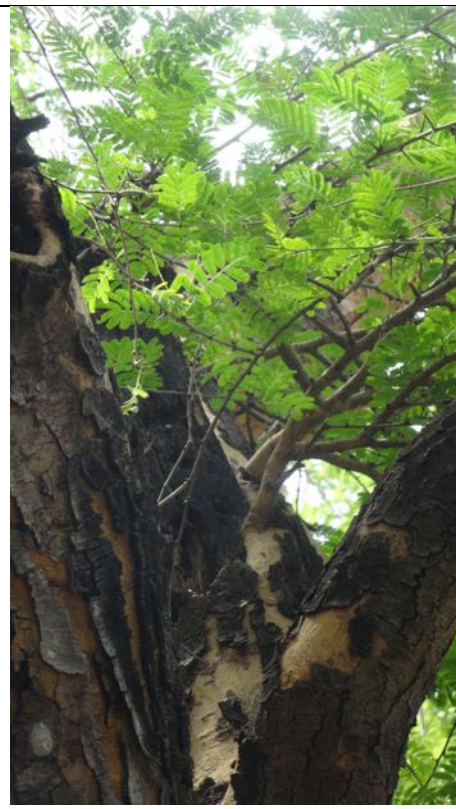


Brewers acacia

Common name: Brewers Acacia, White-Barked Acacia, Distiller's acacia

Botanical name: *Acacia leucophloea*

Family: Fabaceae; **Name in Tamil:** *Sarai, Velvelam*



Field identification: Large thorny tree, up to 35 m with umbrella like crown and several wide branches. Bark white-yellowish grey, smooth with old trees with blotches, becoming black and rough. Leaves compound, bi-pinnate, 4-13 pinnae with 5-30 pairs of leaflets. Flowers cream panicles, round heads. Pods flat, brown, 10-20 cm long

Location on campus: East End Road near Mental Health.

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