## **Tamarind**

Common name: Tamarind

Botanical name: Tamarindus indica; Family: Caesalpinioideae; Name in Tamil: Puli









Field identification: Tall tree, up to 30 m high and 5 m girth with dome shaped crown and feathery leaves. Leaves 5-15 cm length without terminal leaflet. Leaflets, 10-20 pairs, opposite. Flowers, pale yellow clusters. Pods brown, curved, thick 7.5 - 20 cm x 2.5 cm filled with dark brown acidic pulp traversed by fibres. Seeds hard brown and shining.

Location on campus: Scattered across campus E.g. Small Bungalow, CHTC, Mary Varghese Campus

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