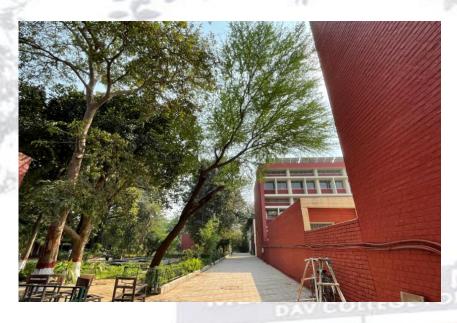


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**BOTANICAL NAME** Acacia nilotica (L.) Delile

Gum Arabic Tree, Babul **COMMON NAME** 

**FAMILY SUB FAMILY**  Leguminosae Mimosoideae



DISTRIBUTION

It is widely found in the Indian subcontinent. It is also found in areas of Africa,

Asia and Australia.

**FUN FACT** 

Babul is a tree of medium size which is 20 to 25 m in height but it can remain a shrub too if there are unfavourable growing conditions

**COMMON USES** 

- 1) Acacia has been used in medicines, tools and woodwork for centuries.
- 2) The tender leaves are beneficial for treating mouth ulcers.
- 3) It is also used as one of the baking ingredients.

However, it must be used under medical supervision for this purpose.

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