

# Species Datasheet

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(family.genus.species)

DBT- Network Programme

## 1. Taxon:

Species: *Areca triandra* Roxb. ex Buch.-Ham

Subspecies

Variety

Cultivar

Hybrid

Commonly known as 'wild areca palm'.

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## 2. Synonyms:

### 3. Systematic Position:

#### APG IV (2016)

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Angiosperm
- Clade: Monocot
- Clade: Commelinids
- Order: Arecales Bromhead
- Family: Arecaceae Bercht. & J. Presl
- Subfamily: Arecoideae Burnett
- Genus: *Areca* L.
- Species: *A. triandra* Roxb. ex Buch.-Ham

#### Bentham and Hooker (1862)

Kingdom: Plantae

Division: Phanerogamia

Class: Monocotyledones

Series: Calycinae

Ordo: Palmae Juss.

Genus: *Areca* L.

Species: *A. triandra* Roxb. ex Buch.-Ham

## 4. Distribution:

**Global:** Bangladesh, Borneo, Cambodia, China, Laos, India, Malaya, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Sumatera, Thailand, and Vietnam

**India:** Andaman and Nicobar Island, Assam, Northeastern India

## 5. Indigenous/Exotic/ Endemic; Cultivated/Wild: Wild and Cultivated

## 6. Threat Status:

IUCN:

BSI:

**7. Habit and Habitat:** Slender, dwarf to bushy, evergreen palm, grows in forest margins and the undergrowth of seasonally flooded alluvial forest at low elevations

**8. Life Form:** Phanerophyte

**9. Economic Importance:** Used as a food and source of materials, sometimes grown as an ornamental plant

**10. Probable Progenitor of:**

## 11. DNA

C- value

Methodology

**12. Basic chromosome number(s):**

**13. Zygotic chromosome number(s):**  $2n = 32^{3, 5, 6, 15, 16, 17}$

**14. Gametic chromosome number(s):**  $n = 16^{3, 5, 10, 16}$

**15. Specialized chromosomes (B chromosomes/Sex chromosomes/Polytene chromosomes/Neocentric chromosomes):**

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**16. Ploidy level:**

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**17. Agametoploidy**

**18. Nature of polyploidy (auto, segmental, allo, autoallo):** Autopolyploid<sup>10</sup>

**19. Genomic formula:**

**20. Aberrant chromosome number(s) (aneuploidy, aneusomy, polysomy):** Somatic cells with abnormal chromosomes number  $2n=12^3$

**21. Somatic chromosomes:**

**Karyotype** Majority metacentric to submetacentric chromosomes<sup>3, 6</sup>

**Chromosome size** Very small to small<sup>3</sup>; Small to medium<sup>6</sup>

**NOR chromosome(s)** 6 NOR<sup>3</sup>

**Degree of asymmetry:** Symmetrical<sup>6</sup>

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**22. Banding pattern(s):**

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**23. Physical mapping of chromosomes:**

**In situ hybridization**

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**Fluorescent in situ hybridization**

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**24. Genomic in situ hybridization:**

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**25. Linkage map:**

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**26. Chromosome associations:**

**Female meiosis**

**Male meiosis**  $16\text{II}^{3, 5, 10}$ ; Occurrence of univalents, trivalents, quadrivalents<sup>10</sup>

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**27. Chromosome distribution at anaphase I:** Regular<sup>5</sup>; Laggards<sup>10</sup>; Unequal separation of chromosomes<sup>10</sup>

**28. Genetic diversity:**

**Chromosomal level**

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**DNA level**<sup>14</sup>

**29. Any other information (Apomixis; Inversion; Male sterility; Pollen grain mitosis; Pollen stainability; Translocations etc):** Pollen stainability = (33 to 75%)<sup>10</sup>, Ungerminated pollens = 38%<sup>11</sup>, Apomixis<sup>18</sup>