

# Species Datasheet

Datasheet No. A-076.016.002  
(family.genus.species)

DBT- Network Programme

## 1. Taxon:

Species *Licuala spinosa* Wurmb

Subspecies

Variety

Cultivar

Hybrid

Image file

**2. Synonyms:** *Corypha pilearia* Lour., *Licuala acutifida* var. *peninsularis* Becc., *L. horrida* Blume, *L. pilearia* (Lour.) Blume, *L. ramosa* Blume, *L. spinosa* var. *cochinchinensis* Becc., *L. spinosa* var. *eriantha* Becc.

## 3. Systematic Position:

### APG IV (2016)

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Angiosperm
- Clade: Monocots
- Clade: Commelinids
- Order: Arecales Bromhead
- Family: Arecaceae Bercht. & J. Presl
- Genus: *Licuala* Wurmb
- Species: *L. spinosa* Wurmb

### Bentham and Hooker (1862)

- Kingdom: Plantae  
Division: Phanerogamia  
Class: Monocotyledones  
Series: Calycinae  
Ordo: Palmae Juss.  
Genus: *Licuala* Wurmb  
Species: *L. spinosa* Wurmb

## 4. Distribution:

**Global:** Cambodia, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Borneo, Java, Malaya, Philippines, Sumatera, Indonesia

**India:** Andaman and Nicobar Islands

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

## 6. Threat Status:

**IUCN:**

**BSI:**

**7. Habit and Habitat:** Evergreen tree. Found in slightly swampy ground, lowland alluvial forest, peat and mangrove swamp forest, beach forest, wet coastal areas and river banks.

**8. Life Form:** Phanerophyte

**9. Economic Importance:** It is often grown as an ornamental. Leaves are used for decorations, roofing, food-wrappers and binding, making hats, also used as a substitute of writing paper and eaten as vegetables. It is quite resistant to pests mainly protect against scale insects, frost and spider mites. The bark is used in combination with other plants for the treatment of tuberculosis.

**10. Probable Progenitor of:**

**11. DNA**

C- value	Methodology
----------	-------------

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

**13. Zygotic chromosome number(s):**  $2n=28$  <sup>2, 3, 4</sup>

**14. Gametic chromosome number(s):**

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

Image file

**16. Ploidy level:**

Image file

**17. Agametoploidy**

**18. Nature of polyploidy (auto, segmental, allo, autoallo):**

**19. Genomic formula:**

**20. Aberrant chromosome number(s) (aneuploidy, aneusomy, polysomy):**

**21. Somatic chromosomes:**

**Karyotype:** Majority metacentric to nearly metacentric chromosomes <sup>3</sup>

**Chromosome size:** Very small to small <sup>3</sup>

**NOR chromosome(s):** 4 NOR<sup>3</sup>

**Degree of asymmetry:**

Image file

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

Image file

**23. Physical mapping of chromosomes:**

**In situ hybridization**

Image file

**Fluorescent in situ hybridization**

Image file

**24. Genomic in situ hybridization:**

Image file

**25. Linkage map:**

Image file

**26. Chromosome associations:**

**Female meiosis**

**Male meiosis**

Image file

**27. Chromosome distribution at anaphase I:**

**28. Genetic diversity:**

**Chromosomal level**

Image file

**DNA level**

**29. Any other information (Apomixis; Inversion; Male sterility; Pollen grain mitosis; Pollen stainability; Translocations etc):**