

**Datasheet No. A-085.002.001**  
(family.genus.species)

**DBT- Network Programme**

**1. Taxon:**

Species: *Musa acuminata* Colla  
 Subspecies  
 Variety  
 Cultivar  
 Hybrid

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**2. Synonyms:** *Musa simiarum* Kurz

**3. Systematic Position:**

**APG IV (2016)**

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Angiosperms
- Clade: Commelinids
- Order: Zingiberales Griseb.
- Family: Musaceae Juss.
- Genus: *Musa* L.
- Species: *M. acuminata* Colla

**Bentham and Hooker (1862)**

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Division: Phanerogamia
- Class: Monocotyledones
- Series: Epigynae
- Ordo: Scitamineae
- Genus: *Musa* L.
- Species: *M. acuminata* Colla

**4. Distribution:**

**Global:** Southern China, India, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines

**India:** Assam, Kerala, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Andaman and Nicobar Island

**5. Indigenous/Exotic/Endemic; Cultivated/Wild:** Cultivated/wild

**6. Threat Status:**

**IUCN:** Least concern

**BSI**

**7. Habit and Habitat:** Large cormous herb; Shaded and moist ravines, marshlands, semi-marshlands and slopes at elevations from near sea level to 1,200 meters

**8. Life Form:** Cormous geophyte

**9. Economic Importance:** It is cultivated as an ornamental plant for its striking shape and foliage. Fruits, male flowers, young shoots are edible. The plant has medicinal properties, leaves are used for packing, wrapping and decorative purposes, The leaves and shoots yield a fiber which can be used for making a high-quality cloth, fibers from the stem are used for making rugs with a silk-like texture, fibers from the bark are used for making paper

**10. Probable Progenitor of:**

**11. DNA**

C-value

Methodology

**12. Basic chromosome number(s):**  $x=11^8$

**13. Zygotic chromosome number(s):**  $2n=22^{1,2,3,4,5,6}$ ;  $2n=33^{2,3,7,8}$

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

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

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**16. Ploidy level:** Triploid<sup>8</sup>

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**17. Agametoploidy:**

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

**19. Genomic formula:** AAA<sup>8</sup>; AAB<sup>8</sup>

**20. Aberrant chromosome number(s) (aneuploidy, aneusomaty, polysomaty):**

**21. Somatic chromosomes:**

**Karyotype** Majority nearly metacentric chromosomes<sup>8</sup>

**Chromosome size** 54.95-75.6  $\mu\text{m}$ <sup>8</sup>

**NOR chromosome(s):** 3-12 NOR<sup>8</sup>

**Degree of asymmetry**

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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**

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

**28. Genetic diversity:**

**Chromosomal level**

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**DNA level**<sup>9,10</sup>

**29. Any other information (Aponixis; Inversion; Male sterility; Pollen grain mitosis; Pollen stainability; Translocationsetc):**