

**Datasheet No. A-085.002.016**  
(family.genus.species)

**DBT- Network Programme**

**1. Taxon:**

Species:*Musa kattuvazhana* K.C.Jacob  
 Subspecies  
 Variety  
 Cultivar  
 Hybrid

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**2. Synonyms:***Musa acuminata* subsp. *burmannica* N.W.Simmonds, *Musa acuminata* var. *burmannicoides* De Langhe, *Musa banksii* var. *singampatti* T.G.Nayar

**3. Systematic Position:**

**APG IV (2016)**

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Clade: Angiosperms
- Clade: Commelinids
- Order: Zingiberales Griseb.
- Family: Musaceae Juss.
- Genus:*Musa* L.
- Species: *M. kattuvazhana* K.C.Jacob

**4. Distribution:**

**Global:** China, India, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand

**India:** Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu

**Bentham and Hooker (1862)**

- Kingdom: Plantae
- Division: Phanerogamia
- Class: Monocotyledones
- Series: Epigynae
- Ordo: Scitamineae
- Genus:*Musa* L.
- Species:*M. kattuvazhana* K.C.Jacob

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

**6. Threat Status:**

IUCN

BSI

**7. Habit and Habitat:**Large cormous herb; evergreen forests

**8. Life Form:**Cormous geophyte

**9. Economic Importance:**Leaves are used as plates and sometimes used for cooking fish to enhance the taste. Decoction of leaves is used to remove swellings. The sap from the pseudostem is used for polishing and sharpening of knives and as an insecticide, anti-venom for snakebites. The inner part of the pseudostem is eaten as food, and the juice is used to remove kidney stones and worms from the stomach. Bracts and pigmented pseudostem parts have been used as natural colorants and insecticides. The decoction of seeds is used to cure kidney stones, diabetes and to increase human fertility.

**10. Probable Progenitor of:**

**11. DNA**

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**Methodology**

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

**13. Zygotic chromosome number(s):**

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

**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):**

**19. Genomic formula:**

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

**21. Somatic chromosomes:**

**Karyotype**

**Chromosome size**

**NOR chromosome(s)**

**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**

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