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Scientific Name : Caesalpinia sappan L.

Common Name : Sappan tree, Sappan wood tree, Indian redwood

Family Name : LEGUMINOSAE-CAESALPINIOIDEAE

Habit Desc. : Shrub, branchlet with prickles

Leaf Desc. : Compound, bipinnate, alternate, leaflets, ovate or elliptic-oblong

Flower Desc. : Inflorescence in lower axillary raceme and higher terminal panicle; flowers bright yellow with topmost red

Fruit Desc. : Pod flat, oblong-obovate on obliquely truncate-rounded top with robust obligue beak, bivalved, 2-4 seeded

Used Desc. :
Wood : blood tonic, expectorant, emmenagogue, treatment of pulmonary diseases. Decoction of chopped wood : produces red, coloring agent called brazilin; for food and cloth

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