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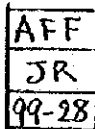
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PREFACE

The mangrove forests in the Philippines play an important role in reducing damage by natural disasters and maintaining coastal environments, while also making significant contributions to forestry and fishery production.

However, the total area of mangrove forests in the Philippines has been declining rapidly due to human activities such as the conversion of the forests into fishponds and the increased harvest of trees for firewood, charcoal and other forest products.

Because of this rapid decline, the government of the Philippines has initiated a variety of new programs designed to conserve the mangrove forests. In response to a request from the government of the Philippines, the government of Japan decided to conduct a development study entitled 'The Study on Mapping and Land Cover Assessment of Mangrove Areas' which was entrusted to the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

The Philippine side is to continue to conduct surveys on mangrove forests in other areas of the Philippines using the survey methods employed in this study. Thus, the study team has prepared this technical manual for the interpretation of the survey methods.

I hope this Manual will contribute to a more comprehensive survey of other mangrove areas in the Philippines and to the enhancement of friendly relations between our two countries.

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Introduction

This book (hereinafter referred to as "the Manual") comprises one of three (3) volumes produced by "The Study on Mapping and Land Cover Assessment of Mangrove Areas in the Philippines" (hereinafter referred to as "the Study"). The Manual and the other two (2) volumes were prepared in compliance with provisions of the Inception Report for the Study. The consolidated version of the three (3) volumes comprises the Manual for the Survey on Resources of Mangrove Areas.

The Manual was prepared for readers who, now or in the future, will have significant roles in the implementation of field activities in mangroves, including not only government officers but also members of non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

The Manual consists of three parts: (i) methods for implementing transect surveys, (ii) methods for conducting sample plot surveys, and (iii) guidelines for the identification of some mangrove species in the Philippines. The first and second parts are based on standard methods adopted in the Study. But both parts also incorporate minor changes for the improvement of the standard methods based on the results of the implementation of the transect surveys and the sample plot surveys. The third part draws on previously-published botanical data plus useful information obtained in the field while carrying out the Study.

To help ensure that contents of the Manual are easily-understood, it includes as many illustrations and photographs as possible, particularly the third part that deals with identification of mangrove species. Again with the reader's/users convenience in mind, the Manual is printed in a handy-sized, compact book format that will be easy to bring to the field. Furthermore, it is printed on water-proof paper designed to retain both form and contents even if it is accidentally dropped and submerged in seawater.

Hopefully, the Manual will be widely distributed and utilized. Among others, the authors hope that readers will find it worthwhile to refer to and learn from the Manual when examining conditions in other mangrove areas of the Philippines, in addition to those included in the

Study (i.e. Aparri, Lamon Bay and Ulugan Bay). The Manual does not claim to be perfect. Like most other manuals, it should be revised and updated from time-to-time as new knowledge is gained and improved techniques or methods are developed. This indeed is one of the intentions in further implementation of the Study.

I Methods for Implementing Transect Surveys

1. Objectives

Implementation of transect surveys is a standard component of forest inventory work. In mangrove forests, transect surveys are conducted to achieve one of the basic objectives of all forest inventories (i.e. information on species) and also to obtain certain data that specifically applies to mangroves. The reasons for conducting transect surveys in mangrove areas may be summarized as follows:

- 1) to identify species distribution patterns in the mangrove forests; and
- 2) to examine the correlation between mangrove association and natural conditions such as tidal level, estuary location, layers of soil sediment, soil ingredients, and micro topography.

2. Selection of the Transect Lines

It is generally recognized that tidal levels have an impact on the distribution of mangrove species. Consequently, it makes sense to select transect survey lines that extend throughout the area affected by tides, from the farthest point seaward that contains mangroves or where mangroves would grow, all the way to the land. The lines should be as straight as possible so that the changing patterns of mangrove vegetation may be observed.

Ideally, the sites for transect surveys should be selected within primary forests. However, under actual conditions in the field it is difficult to find such sites. Therefore, the most practical approach is to choose sites where transect survey lines pass through areas that are the least disturbed or damaged by human activities.

3. The Survey Process

Transect survey methodology for mangroves includes three (3) principal tasks: (i) establishing the level; (ii) tree stand measurement; and (iii) soil survey, all of which are discussed below.

3-1 Establishing the Level

A compass is used to determine the direction (bearing) of the transect line. However, the direction (bearing) should be decided only after reaching the final point in establishing the level as explained below. The procedures for establishing the level are as follows and illustrated on Fig. 1-1:

- 1) Place a stadia rod at the starting point and another stadia rod at a point where there is a change in the micro-topography or mangrove vegetation .
- 2) Set up a level around mid-point between the two stadia rods. From this point, back-sight along the line and read the scale on the stadia rod placed at the starting point. Then, turn the level 180 degrees, fore-sight along the line and read the scale on the stadia rod at the second point (i.e. where there is a change in the micro-topography or mangrove vegetation).
- 3) Measure the distance between the two stadia rods.
- 4) Turn the stadia rod at the second point 180 degrees. Then, transfer the stadia rod previously placed at the starting point to the next point where there is a change in the micro-topography or mangrove vegetation.
- 5) Repeat steps 2) to 4) above until reaching a point that corresponds to the uppermost limit of the mangrove forest, i.e. where mangrove vegetation no longer grows. This last point usually marks the beginning of the dry land that is no longer affected by the tide.

After completing 1) to 5) above, establish the transect line using a compass so that the bearing may be accurately recorded. Try as much as possible to establish a straight line . However, do not neglect the need to capture changes in micro-topography and mangrove vegetation along the way. In other words, slight deviations from a straight line are acceptable .

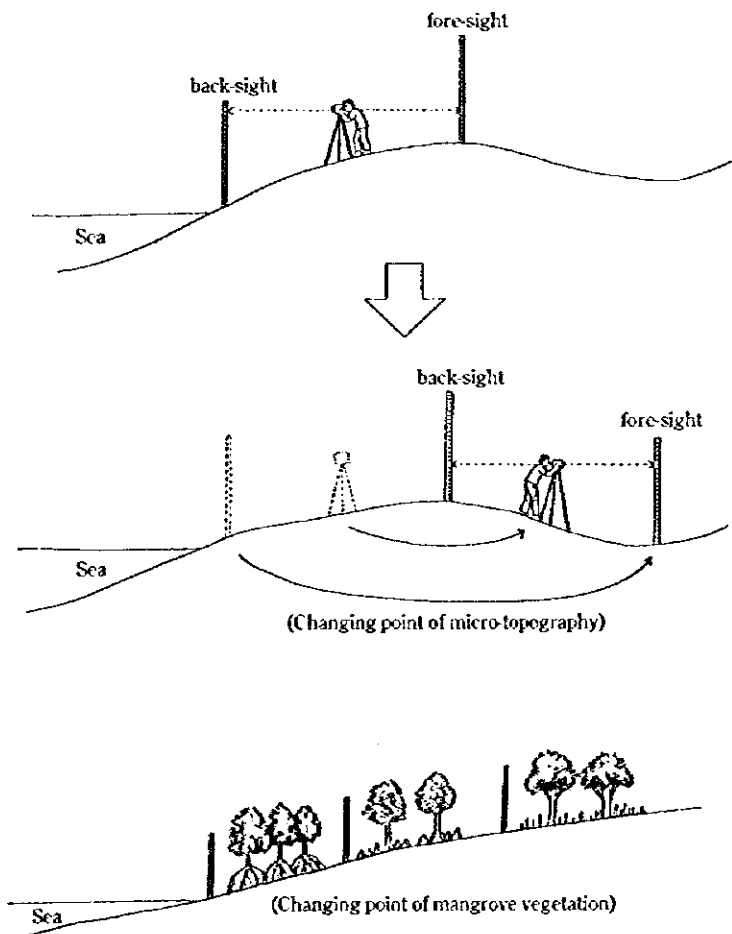


Fig. 1-1 Procedure for establishing the level

3-2 Tree Stand Measurement

In this task, all trees above 3 cm DBH should be measured in a belt that is 2 meters wide on one side of the transect line (please see Fig. 1-2). The measurements can be made on either the right side or the left side of the

line. However, the work should not shift from one side to another. Work on the same side until reaching the end of the line. The contents to be recorded for the tree stand measurement are species, height, DBH, and location (please see Fig. I-3). The location is indicated by distance from the starting point of the transect line. Stretch a measurement tape along the transect line to facilitate measuring the location and to confirm the line established in task 3-1 mentioned above. When measuring the DBH, round off to the closest 2 cm. For example, DBH between 3 cm and 5 cm should be recorded as 4 cm. In the case of *Rhizophora* spp., aerial stilt roots often grow to a height greater than DBH (i.e. more than breast height). When this situation is encountered, measure the diameter immediately above the point where the highest stilt roots emerge from the stem (trunk) as shown in Fig. I-3.

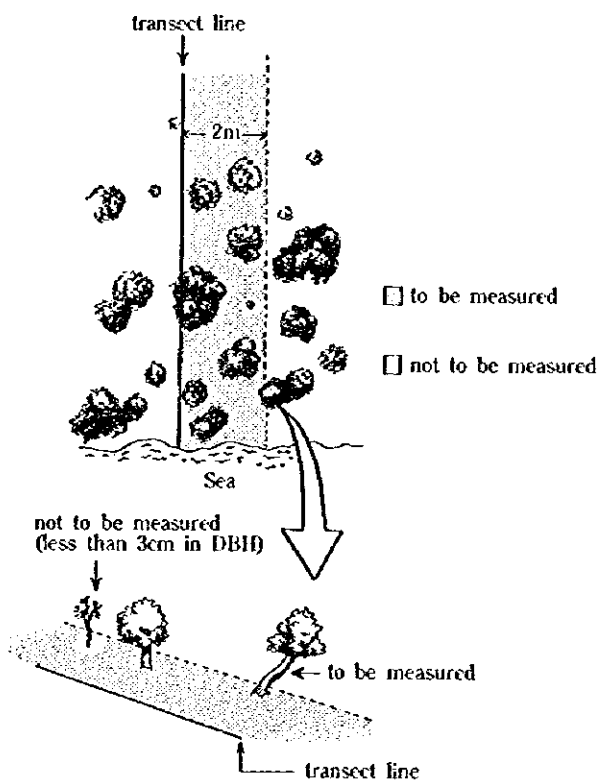


Fig. I-2 Preparation of transect belt and trees to be measured

Two methods of recording should be applied:

- 1) Enter the species, height, DBH and location (i.e. distance) from the starting point in the field survey sheet (see Appendix 2 as the sample).
- 2) Prepare a sketch illustrating a rough profile of all trees found in the 2 meter belt on one sides of the transect line. The sketch should be drawn on section paper. As a reference, even trees including seedlings with DBH lower than 3 cm may be included. A sample of a rough profile sketch on section paper in the field is shown in Appendix 1.

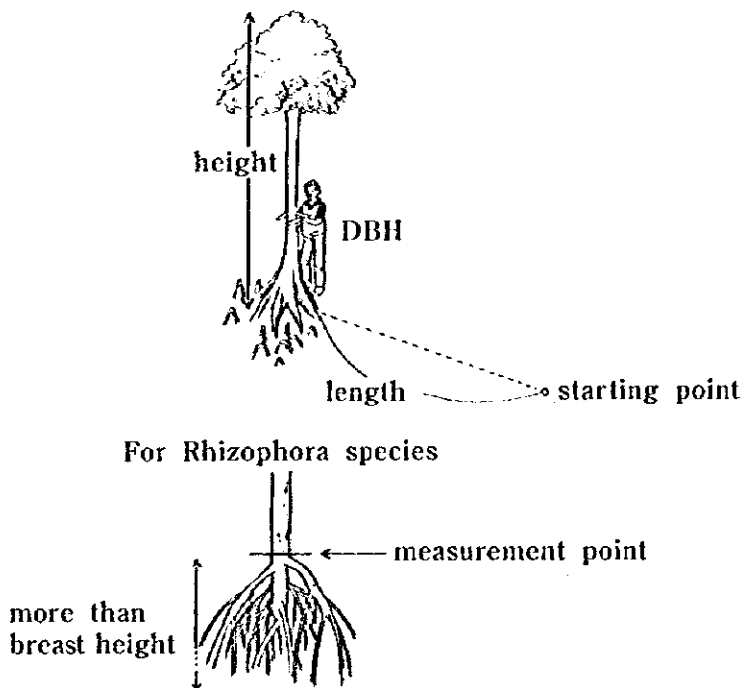


Fig. I-3 Tree measurement method

3-3 Soil Survey

While conducting the work described in I 3-2 above, the soil conditions along the transect line should be examined at the same time. Where different species of mangrove vegetation appear (i.e. when there is a significant change in the species composition) the soil at these points should also be examined in order to reveal any relationship between species composition and soil properties. The following items should be examined in the soil survey:

- 1) Total soil depth
- 2) Soil sedimentation at each horizon
- 3) Color
- 4) Soil texture
- 5) Stones, shells and coral
- 6) Humus
- 7) Roots

The soil structure profile should be observed so as to examine the items listed above. Core samples should be collected to study the order of soil layers. Since mangrove soil usually consists of soft mud, the pit method for collecting core samples is impractical. Accordingly, a special device called a piston soil sampler should be used. This device is designed to collect samples in soft muddy soil. The piston soil sampler can collect core samples down to a maximum depth of 3 meters with relative ease, except when obstacles such large rocks or thick root systems are encountered.

It is also important to examine water quality, especially salinity. This is because the mixture of sea water and fresh water determines how brackish the water in the soil will become. Therefore, to the extent that it is possible, the following properties of the water should be examined:

- 1) pH
- 2) Salinity

For the examinations, a special device for soil water sampling

should be used. For instance, it is a soil water sampler that is designed to collect soil water by applying absorptive pressure to the porous cup at the tip of the device.

4. The Survey Materials

The following equipment and materials should be prepared to implement the transect survey;

(1) For establishing the level

Level with a tripod stand

Two stadia rods

20m measurement tape

Hand compass

Field survey notebook to record results (preferably, the notebook should be made of water-proof paper)

(2) For tree stand measurement

Calipers

Diameter tape

Tree height measurement tool

20m measurement tape

Hand compass

Field survey sheets to record results (also made of waterproof paper) (A sample shown in Appendix 2)

Drawing board for rough profile sketch

Section paper

Numbering tapes

Stapler for attaching numbering tape onto tree trunks

Marking tape

Aerial photographs

Map

GPS instruments

(3) For soil survey

Soil sampler

1m scale (folding type is preferable)

Salinometer
Soil color chart
Field survey sheets to record results (made of waterproof paper) (A sample shown in Appendix 3)
Plastic sheet on which to place the soil samples
Litmus paper
Soil water sampler

5. Drawing the Sectional Profile Based on Survey Results

The implementation of surveys should include preparation of sectional profiles since these are very useful in the analysis of results. When preparing the profile the following features should be incorporated:

- 1) Tree height and ground height should be drawn at different scales. This is important because tree height is clearly noticeable but the change in ground height is not that significant. In the Study, ground height was drawn at a scale ten times greater than the scale used for tree height. Thus, changes in ground height are easy to see on the profile.
- 2) When drawing the mangroves, it is advisable to indicate the species by using symbol expressing feature of the species.

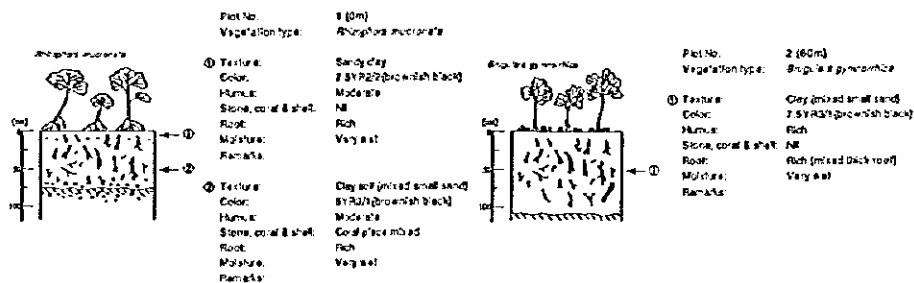
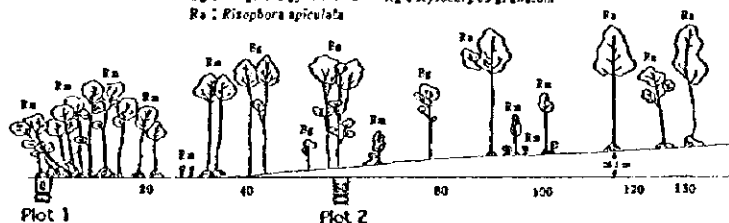
A sample of the sectional profile is shown in Fig. 1-4.

Scale of landscape is 10 times than transect length and three height

Uigan Bay Area Nol-1

Al : *Aegiceras floridum*
 Bg : *Bruguiera gymnoriza*
 Ra : *Risophora apiculata*

Rm : *Risophora macronata*
 Xg : *Xylocarpus granatum*



Uigan Bay Area Nol-2

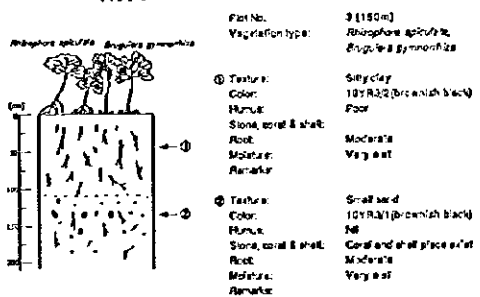
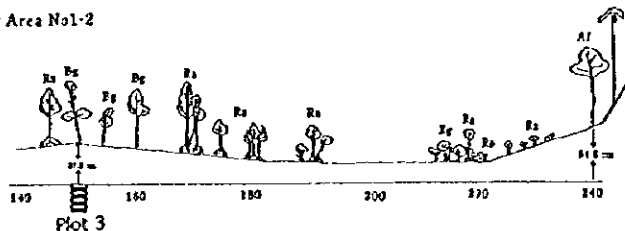


Fig. I-4 A sample of sectional profile by transect survey results

II Methods for Conducting Sample Plot Surveys

1. Objectives

The implementation of sample plot surveys is a standard part of forest inventory work. In the context of mangroves supported by aerial photography, the objectives of this exercise are to:

- 1) identify stands structure of mangrove forest under different land conditions ; and
- 2) carry out field verification by comparing data gathered in the field with aerial photograph imagery; in other words a “ground truthing” or “on-site validation” exercise.

2. Selection of Sample Plots

One of the principal outputs of pre-interpretation of the aerial photographs will be the identification of different patterns based on vegetative features, crown density and landscape conditions. This information should be used in the selection of sample plots. Sample plot locations should be selected based on the different patterns. Thus, results of the plot surveys can be compared with the imagery. In the selection of sample plots, the Study team made sure that the plots chosen should represent all of the different patterns appearing on the imagery. The same care should be exercised in future studies. Target points for sample plot selection should be marked in advance on the aerial photographs. Accessibility should also be considered in the interests of efficiency

Number of plots to be surveyed should be decided based on number of the different patterns in the aerial photograph imagery, budget and term for the survey, the accessibility and so on.

3. The Survey Process

3-1 Composition of the Survey Team

The survey team should consist of two (2) surveyors (officers), one (1) botanist and at least four (4) laborers.

3-2 Procedures for Establishing the Plots

The procedures for establishing the plot are as follows and illustrated on Fig. II- 1:

- 1) The location of the plots should correspond with the target points marked in advance on the aerial photos. The team should proceed to those target points using a hand compass and handheld GPS instruments to guide them with the greatest possible accuracy to the exact location or as near as possible.
- 2) The center point of the plot should be decided after reaching the target point for the sample plot survey.
- 3) Four (4) persons should work together to establish the perimeter of the plot. The size of the plot is determined on the basis of average tree height in the plot. A measuring tape is used to establish the perimeter working outward north, south, east and west respectively from the center point as illustrated on Fig. II-1. The standard of the size of the plot is as follows:
 - a. If the average tree height in a plot is less than 5 m, the distance from the center point to each corner point should be 10 m. In this case the plot will be a square with approximate dimensions of 14 X 14 meters or about 200m².
 - b. If the average tree height in a plot is from 5m to 20m, the distance from the center point to each corner point should be 15 m. In this case the plot will be a square with approximate dimensions of 21 X 21 meters or about 450m².
 - c. If the average tree height in a plot is more than 20 m, the distance

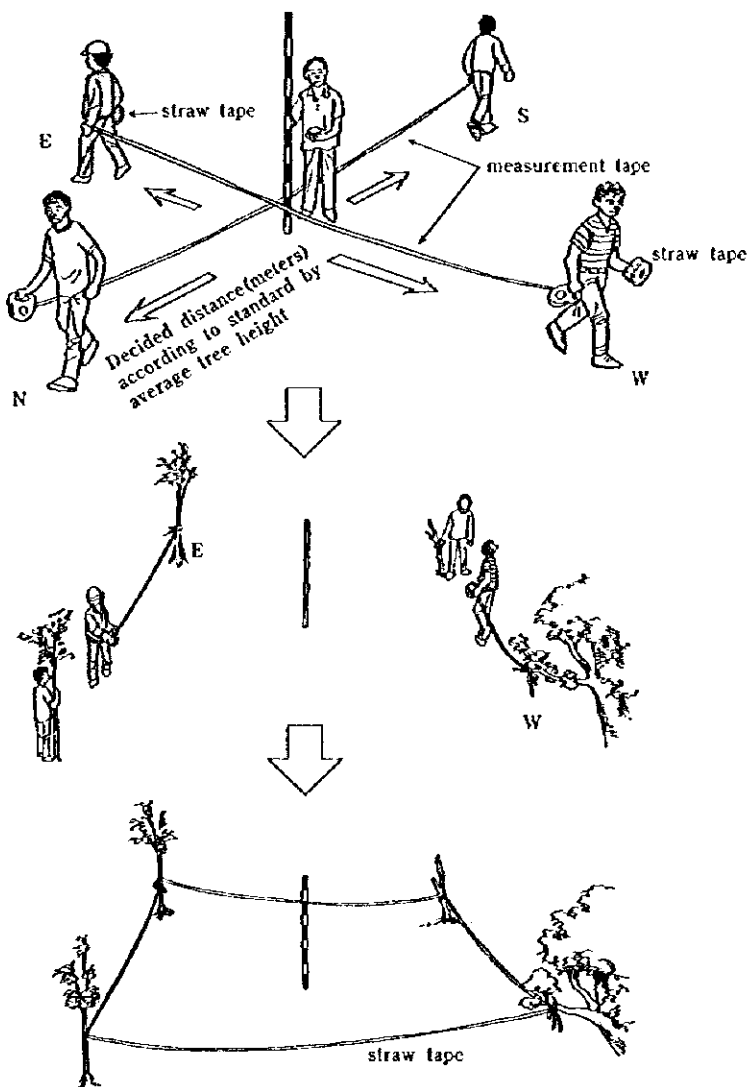


Fig. II- I The Procedures for establishing the plot

from the center point to each corner point should be 20 m. In this case the plot will be a square with approximate dimensions of 28 X 28 meters or about 800m².

- 4) Each of the four persons should mark their respective corner point with a stake to which they should attach a colored tape.
- 5) Each person should face the person on his right and stretch a colored nylon tape up to the corner point on his right side. Thus, the perimeter of the plot is surrounded by the tape. Plot survey work may now begin in the area surrounded by the tape.

3-3 Contents of the Plot Survey

The information to be gathered and recorded when conducting the plot survey are (i) tree measurement, (ii) plot position, (iii) GPS reading, (iv) crown density, (v) species dominance, (vi) regeneration and (vii) land use conditions as a result of human activities. Additionally, the survey team should prepare a stand distribution sketch, a land feature sketch and a brief description of the mangrove forest. The team should also take photographs of the plot. These several tasks are discussed below.

(1) Tree Measurement

The purpose of tree measurement is to record species, height, and DBH. The tree measurement activity should record all trees in the plot with DBH of 3 cm and above. As mentioned earlier in paragraph I 3-2, the DBH should be rounded off to the closest 2 cm; i.e. DBH between 3 cm and 5 cm should be recorded as 4 cm. As mentioned in paragraph I 3-2, the DBH of *Rhizophora* species should be measured immediately above the point where the highest stilt roots emerge from the stem (trunk).

(2) Plot Position

Plot position refers to where the plot is situated in relation to tidal level and estuarine location. Tidal level determines how long the roots of mangrove species will be submerged in seawater within a day. Estuarine location influences the degree of salinity in the plot. Both

factors (tidal level/estuarine location) should be recorded. There are three (3) categories of tidal level (low, middle, high) and four (4) categories of estuarine location (downstream, intermediate, upstream, others). The tidal level category should be decided in consideration of the fact that the low tidal level generally corresponds with long submergence, the high tidal level generally corresponds with short submergence, and the middle tidal level falls somewhere in between. The estuarine location category should be ordinary decided in consideration of fact that the order from downstream to upstream generally corresponds with high salinity to low salinity, respectively. In case that there is no estuarine location in the site of the plot due to absence of any river, etc., the category of "others" should be selected.

(3) GPS Reading

GPS should be used to determine the geographic location of each sample plot. This information is needed in order to mark the plot location on a map after completing the sample plot study exercise. However, it not always possible to take GPS readings. Sometimes, due to canopy cover, there is not enough open space to catch the signals from satellites. In this case, the GPS reading may be taken at an open space nearby which is as close as possible to the plot.

(4) Crown Density

The crown density should be estimated in each canopy layer-upper, middle and lower. The upper layer of the canopy refers to trees more than 15 meters high. The middle layer comprises trees in the 10-15 meter height range. The lower layer means the trees less than 10 meters high. The estimate for each canopy layer should be expressed in percentage (%) from 0% to a maximum of 100%.

(5) Dominance

The degree of dominance of each mangrove species should be evaluated and recorded in each canopy layer (upper, middle and lower). It should be categorized in six (6) classes. The symbol "5" means that the degree of dominance of a species is about 70 %. The symbol "4" means a degree of dominance of about 50 %. If the degree of dominance is about 25%, this should be indicated by the symbol "3". The symbol "2" means a degree of dominance of about 10 %, and the symbol "1" a degree of about 5 %. The

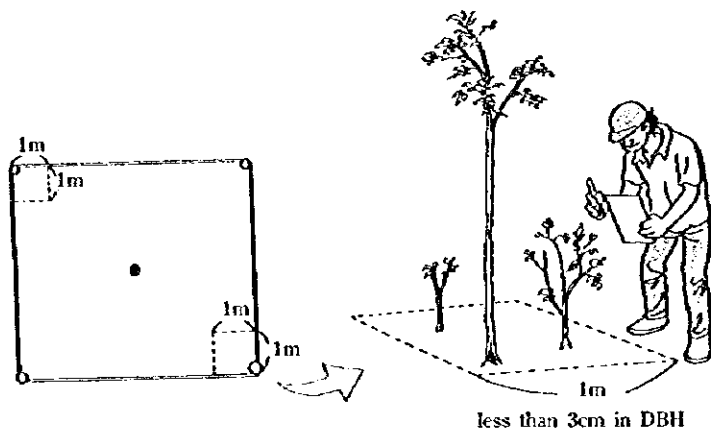


Fig. II-2 Method of measurement for regeneration

symbol "+" indicates the existence of a species but further indicates that it is not dominant and symbol "I" can not be given.

(6) Regeneration

Regeneration refers to all of the mangrove vegetation found in the sample plot with less than 3 cm DBH (i.e. seedlings and saplings). Since it is impractical to count all the seedlings/saplings in the plot, examination of the regeneration is done in small sample areas within the plot. The amount of regeneration is assessed and recorded as explained below, and as shown in Fig. II-2 .

- 1) Measure two sample areas, each 1m × 1m quadrat, in two corners of the sample plot.
- 2) Toss a coin to decide whether the sample areas should be located in the east and west corners of the plot or in the north and south corners.
- 3) Identify the species and count the number of seedlings /saplings for each species in three height classes-less than 1m, from 1m to 3 m, and 3 m or more. Then, record all of this information.
- 4) Finally, make a sketch showing the distribution of seedlings/saplings

(7) Land Use Condition as a Result of Human Activities

The information gathered in this regard is descriptive. The procedure is simply to observe and assess conditions, and then to evaluate the extent to which these conditions relate to human disturbance. For example, there may be stumps that indicate recent or previous gathering of fuelwood. The results of observation/assessment should be described in the field notebook.

(8) Stand Distribution Sketch

This task involves preparation of a sketch that illustrates the vegetation in the sample plot. Canopy classes, breadth of the crowns and spacing (density) of trees in the plot should be shown clearly on the sketch. Symbols may be used to indicate species.

(9) Sketching the Landscape

Landscape in this instance refers to the features of the land in the sample plot. For instance, there may be a small channel (canal) running through the plot. Or, the plot may contain a puddle(s), rock (s), mud mound(s) or perhaps some stumps. There might be gaps in the plot caused by felling of trees. Nipa may be growing in some of the plots. In brief, any and all significant or unique features of the landscape should be noted and included in the sketch. When conducting observations as basis for preparing the sketch, it is important to keep in mind that species composition, growth and stand distribution frequently correspond with features of the land in the plot.

(10) Brief Description of the Mangrove Forest

In addition to the topics just discussed, there may be other conditions, situations or features unique to the plot. If so, these should be described as brief comments recorded in the notebook.

(11) Taking Photographs

It is important to take photographs of the mangrove forest in the plot. The photographs should be inserted in the GIS database. The photographs should be numbered for purposes of identification to ensure that each photograph corresponds to a specific plot.

3-4 Personnel and Responsibilities

- 1) A surveyor (officer) should carry out tree measurement and GPS reading, assisted by a botanist and two laborers. He/she should also take the photographs.
- 2) Another surveyor (officer) should carry out the other plot survey tasks discussed above, with the assistance of a botanist.

4. Survey Equipment and Supplies

The following equipment and supplies should be made available for the sample plot surveys.

Caliper

Diameter tape

Tree height measurement tool

Two 50m measurement tapes

Hand compass

Two field survey sheets to record results (water-proofed paper is better) (Appendices 4 and 5 show samples of two kinds of field survey sheets)

Numbering tapes

Stapler to attach numbering tape on tree trunks

Straw tapes

Aerial photographs

Map

GPS instruments

5. Orderly Presentation of the Survey Results

The survey results should be carefully analyzed and presented in a neat, and orderly manner. For this purpose, it is advisable to prepare sheets that can be used to facilitate correlation of the field data and the interpretation of aerial photographs. In the Study, results of the plot sampling survey were entered on a Mangrove Plot Survey Sheet, a sample of which is presented in Appendix 6. Hereunder are some recommendations to consider when preparing the sheet.

- 1) Use visual materials to the maximum extent possible. Thus, reports presenting the results should contain photographs, sketches and copies of aerial photographs.

- 2) Regarding estimation of stand volume in the plots, it is advisable to refer to information found in "The Philippine Recommends for Mangrove Production and Harvesting, 1991, Philippines Recommends Series No.74" published by the Philippine Council For Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Research and Development (PCARRD). The relevant sections of that document which were utilized in preparation of this Manual are shown in Appendix 7. It should be noted, however, that information in the PCARRD publication refers to timber volume, in the context of timber production as studied in Palawan, covering only seven (7) species: *Rhizophora apiculata*, *Rhizophora mucronata*, *Bruguiera cylindrica*, *Bruguiera gymnorrhiza*, *Lumnitzera littorea*, *Xylocarpus granatum*, and *Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea*. At the present time, the timber volume tables found in the PCARRD publication are the only officially-published source of data that may be used as basis for estimating stand volume in the plots. It should also be noted that the PCARRD publication might not include data on some of the species that will be found in the survey sites. A survey team might, therefore, apply the volume figures for some of the seven (7) species just mentioned as the basis for estimating stand volume of species with similar characteristics that will be found at the survey sites.

III Guidelines for Identification of Some Mangrove Species in the Philippines

1. Objectives and Contents of This Chapter

Species identification is a fundamental component of mangrove studies. It is also one of the most difficult. This chapter seeks to assist teams and individuals that are conducting mangrove studies in the Philippines by providing guidelines that will help facilitate species identification. Towards this end, it includes numerous photographs of mangroves illustrating the different parts of this interesting flora such as leaf, flower, fruits and bark. In all, twenty-six (26) mangrove species are covered in this chapter, with as many photographs as possible displayed for examination and for comparison with specimens collected in the field. Based on results of the Study, the authors anticipate that this chapter covers most, if not all, of the species that the teams will find in their work.

Wherever possible, simple terms are used to describe the characteristics of the species such as shape, color, size, surface, etc. of plant parts such as leaf, flower, fruits, etc. However, the use of technical terms is often unavoidable. Therefore, when encountering technical terms that are not familiar, the reader may refer to the glossary in Appendix 8 for clarification.

Specific features usually make it possible to distinguish one species in a genus from other species in the same genus. This differentiation is especially useful in respect of genus that have more than two (2) species. This chapter of the Manual has two facing pages for each species. Near the bottom of some of the pages there is a line entitled "Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus". Immediately below this line there are a few comments that firstly : (i) identify a species of the same genus for comparison purposes, and secondly (ii) identify the specific features of the species on the page for comparison such as size of the leaves or fruit, color of

the bark, etc. The comparisons (differences with the species above (i)) are placed in parenthesis, for example - color of bark (darker). Thus, for further clarification, the reader may refer to each characteristic of the species cited on the same two facing pages.

At the bottom of each page after the word "Location", there are a few comments that indicate where the species described on the page usually grows. In addition to these comments, there are also illustrations that indicate the usual habitat of the species within the following three patterns based on topographical factors: (i) seaside flat area; (ii) tidal flat area in small bay; and (iii) river mouth flat area. The typical illustrations of the three patterns used on each page are indicated in Fig. III-1. Three image illustrations presented in Fig. III-2 correspond to each illustration of the three patterns in Fig. III-1 so as to facilitate a more clear understanding of the three patterns. The locations usually inhabited by the mangrove species are painted in dark green color for high frequency and light green color for low frequency. However, the locations explained in the comments and illustrated on the figures do not cover all of the habitat conditions. Therefore, it is noted that there are numerous exceptions due to site-specific factors.

The term "inter-tidal position" used in this chapter has practically the same meaning as the term "tide level" which was used frequently in the preceding chapter. Both terms refer to the correlation between tide and species distribution.

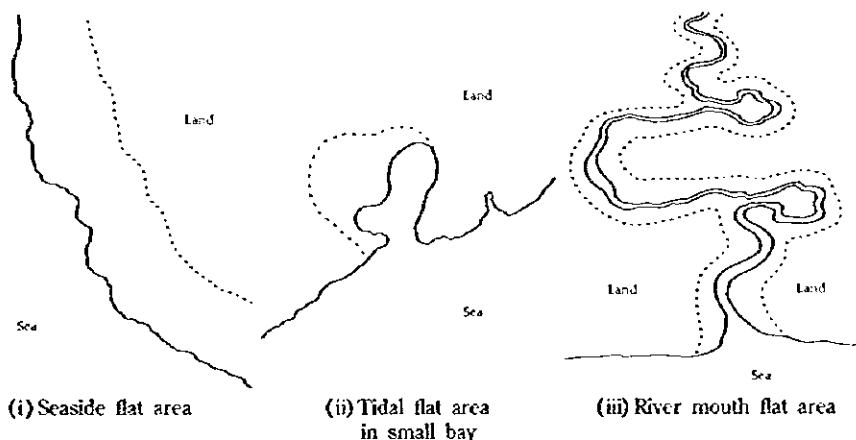


Fig. III-1 Typical Illustrations of the Three Location Patterns

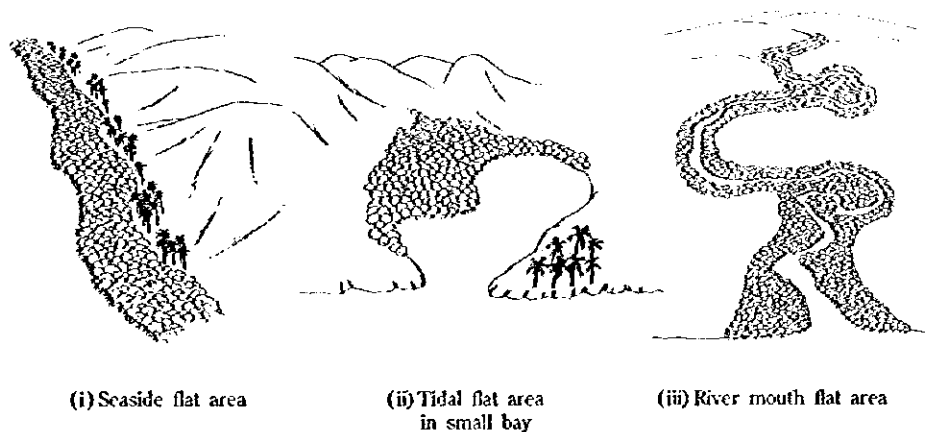


Fig. III-2 Image Illustrations with Mangrove Vegetation Corresponding to Three Typical Illustrations in Fig. III-1

2. Descriptions of Some Mangrove Species

The following pages of this chapter provide descriptions of the main 26 species found during the study.

Aegiceras corniculatum / Family: MYRSINACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : alternate
- Blade shape : obovate to elliptical
- Apex shape : rounded to emarginate
- Color : green both side
- Size : 4-11cm long by 3-6cm wide
- Others : glands on the leaves for secreting salt, and surface glabrous but with minute pustules turning black with age



Bark

- dark gray, smooth

Roots

- no prominent aerial roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : umbel, terminal
- Petal : five (5) and white
- Calyx : five (5) lobes and green
- Size : 0.4-0.5cm in diameter and 0.5-0.6 cm in length
- Others : fragrant (sweet-scented) smell, peduncle up to 0.5 cm



Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical, hanging, strongly curved like a miniature banana, and pointed tip
- Size : up to 7cm in length
- Color : green to yellowish brown
- Surface : smooth
- Others : not hypocotyl



flower buds

Official common name : Saging-saging / Minor mangrove elements



Seed type
cryptoviviparous

Other features

Usually isolated shrub growing to a height of 6m, not forming a conspicuous part of the community

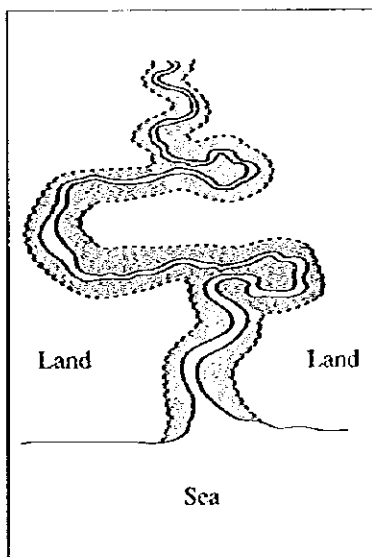
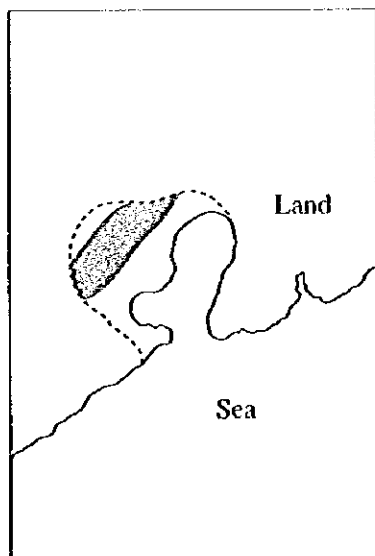
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

A. floridum : Leaves and fruits (larger) and the bark is (darker) .

Location

Found on river banks over a wide range of salinities, along the water channels in the inner part of the swamp, less sandy spots



Aegiceras floridum / Family: MYRSINACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : alternate
- Blade shape : obovate
- Apex shape : rounded to emarginate
- Color : green both side
- Size : 3 - 6 cm long by 3 cm wide
- Others : glands on the leaves for secreting salt, glabrous surface



Bark

- brown, rough

Roots

- no prominent aerial roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : racemose, terminal
- Petal : five (5) and white
- Calyx : five (5) lobes and green
- Size : 0.4 cm in length
- Others : sour-smelling, peduncle up to 2 cm



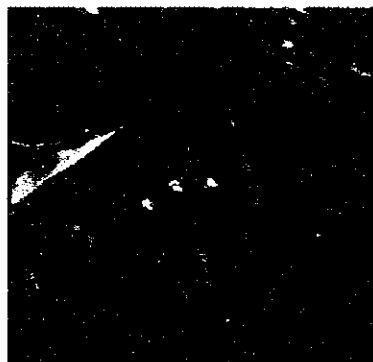
Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical, short, erect, slightly curved
- Size : up to 3 cm in length
- Color : yellowish brown to brownish red in maturation
- Surface : smooth
- Others : not hypocotyl



Seed type

- cryptoviviparous



Other features

Multi-branched shrub growing to a height of 6 m

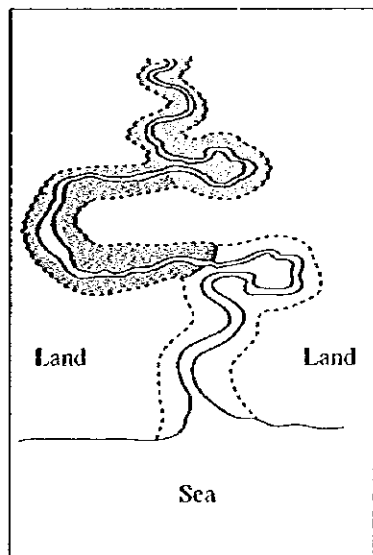
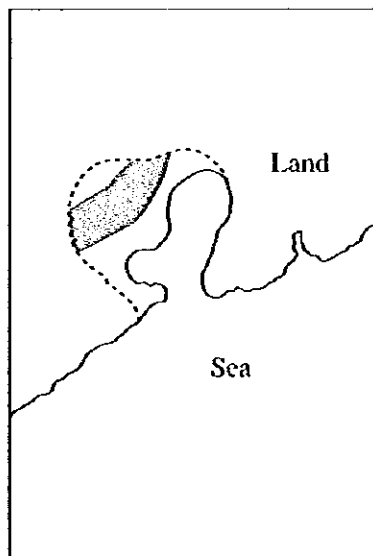
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

A. corniculatum: The leaves and fruits are (smaller) and the bark is (lighter) colored

Location

Along the water channels in the inner part of the swamp, rocky and sandy soil



Avicennia lanata / Family: AVICENNIACEAE/

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : rounded to acute
- Color : upper surface dark green, undersurface yellowish brown or white
- Size : 5 - 9 cm long by 4 cm wide
- Others : with salt glands, undersurface with hairy, leaf margins not reflexed, petiole 1.5 to 3 cm long



Bark

- brown to dark gray, smooth, slightly fissured, not flaking

Roots

- pneumatophores, pencil-like

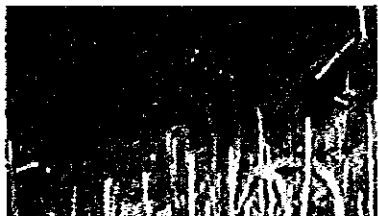
Flower

- Inflorescence : 8 - 14 flowered, dense spike, 1 - 2 cm long, terminal or axillary on distal shoots
- Petal : four (4), orange to yellow
- Calyx : five (5) lobes, shape recurved (not erect)
- Stamens : four (4)
- Size : 0.3 - 0.5 mm in diameter when expanded
- Others : style very short center of the flower



Fruit

- Shape : bean-like fruits, fruit rounded apically or with a short beak
- Size : 1.5 - 2.0 cm in width, 1.5 - 2.5 cm in length
- Color : pale green or bronze
- Surface : with a white woolly or hairy covering



Seed type

- cryptoviviparous





Other features

Crown is whitish because of white woolly indumentum that covers leaves and younger stem part. Tree can grow up to 24 m

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus:

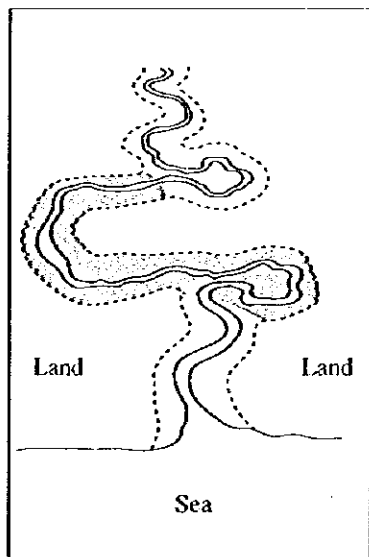
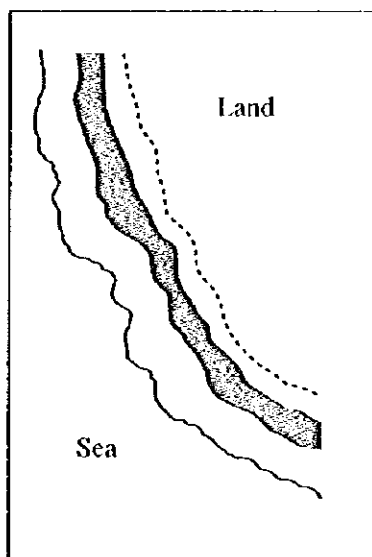
Comparing with

A. officialis: Shape of calyx lobes (recurved) and color on undersurface of leaves (more greenish)

A. marina: Bark (more brownish and slightly fissured) and existence of (hairy) undersurface of leaves

Location

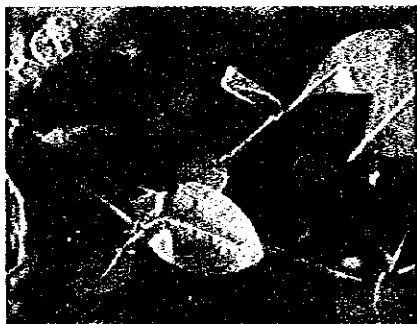
sandy substratum, normal tidal range, usually in back mangrove



Avicennia marina / Family: AVICENNIACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : acute to rounded
- Color : upper surface light green, undersurface greenish white
- Size : 5 - 9 cm long by 3.5 cm wide
- Others: underside of the leaf with special glands for secreting excess salt, undersurface is not hairy, leaf margins reflexed



Bark

- greenish yellow, smooth, thin, peeling off in patches



Roots

- pneumatophores, pencil-like

Flower

- Inflorescence : 8 - 14 flowered, dense spike, 1 - 2 cm long, terminal or axillary on distal shoots
- Petal : four (4), yellow to orange
- Calyx : five (5) lobes
- Stamens : four (4)
- Size : 0.3 - 0.5 mm in diameter when expanded
- Others : style very short, center of the flower



Fruit

- Shape : bean-like fruits, fruit rounded or at most shortly beaked which is almost completely obscure in the mature
- Size : 1.5 - 2.0 cm in width, 1.5 - 2.5 cm in length
- Color : grayish green, never yellowish
- Surface : slightly hairy



Official common name : Bungalon /Major mangrove elements



Seed type

cryptoviviparous

Other features

pioneer species, high tolerance of hyper-saline condition, tree can grow up to 12 m

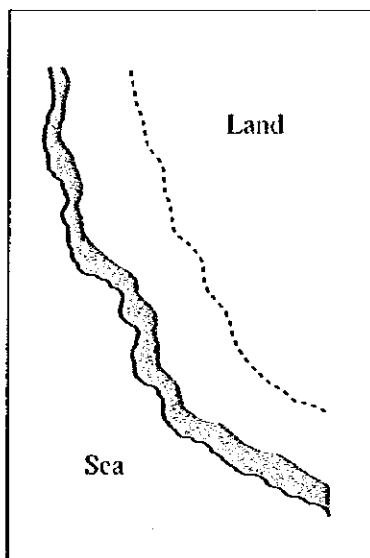
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

A. officinalis and *A. lanata*: Bark (mottled greenish yellow and peeling in patches) and undersurface of leaves (not hairy)

Location

abundant on exposed area facing the sea, rarely far from the sea



Avicennia officinalis / Family: AVICENNIACEAE /

Leaf

Unit : simple

Arrangement : opposite

Blade shape : obovate to elliptical

Apex shape : rounded

Color : upper surface shiny dark green,
undersurface golden-brown or white

Size : 5 - 10 cm long by 5 cm wide

Others : With salt glands, undersurface hairy,
leaf margins slightly reflexed



upper surface

Bark

gray to brown, smooth, slightly fissured, not
flaking



under surface

Roots

pneumatophores, pencil-like

Flower

Inflorescence : 7 - 10 flowers, dense spike
(somewhat capitate), terminal or axillary on
distal shoots

Petal : four (4), orange yellow

Calyx : five (5) lobes, shape erect

Stamens : four (4)

Size : 0.6 - 1.5 mm in diameter when expanded

Others : style very prominent, oblique or
slanting, not in the center of the flower



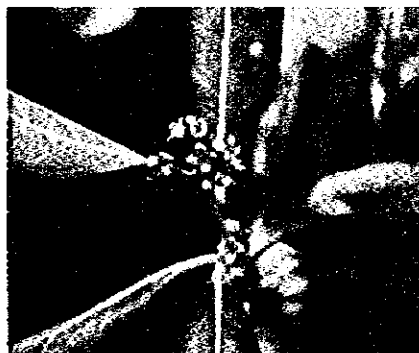
Fruit

Shape : bean-like fruits, heart-shaped fruit,
abruptly narrowed to a short beak

Size : 2.0 - 2.5 cm in width, 2.5 - 3.0 cm in
length

Color : green or brown

Surface : densely hairy, wrinkled



Official common name : Api-api /Major mangrove elements



Seed type

cryptoviviparous

Other features

mature tree forms a columnar shrub or tree up to 15 m

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus:

Comparing with

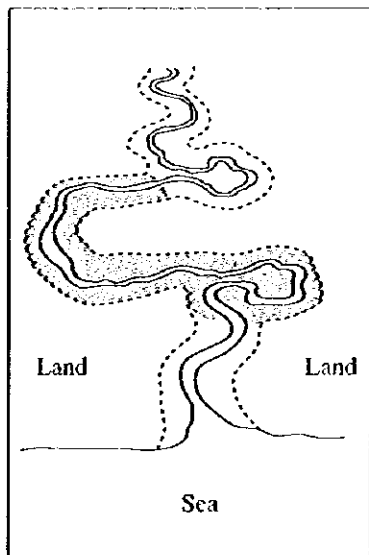
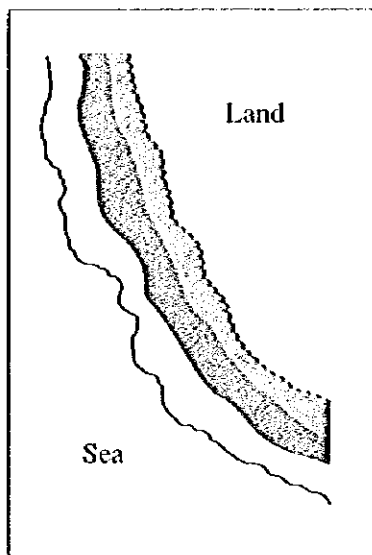
A. lanata: Shape of calyx lobes (erect) and color on undersurface of leaves (more whitish)

A. marina: Bark (more brownish and slightly fissured). Undersurface of leaf is (more hairy)

Other *Avicennia* spp.: Size of flower and fruits (larger)

Location

sporadic on the banks of rivers and on firm mud, prefers clay soil, usually inland, rare on



Bruguiera cylindrica / Family: RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

Unit : simple
Arrangement : opposite
Blade shape : elliptical
Apex shape : acuminate
Color : upper surface dark green,
undersurface light green
Size : 9 - 16 cm long by 4 - 7 cm wide



Bark

gray and dark brown, with white patches,
relatively smooth

Roots

knee-roots and buttress

Flower

Inflorescence : usually 3 flowerd, cyme,
axillary, peduncle 1 cm long
Petal : white
Calyx : 8 lobes, yellowish green, calyx tube 4
to 6 mm long, 2 mm in diameter, calyx lobes
stout and reflexed in fruit
Size : 0.8 - 1.2 cm in length
Others : flower erect at anthesis



Fruit

Shape : cylindrical, slightly curved
Size : up to 15 cm long, less than 1 cm
diameter
Color : green to purplish green
Surface : smooth
Others : grooved, detached with calyx,
buoyant, dispersed by currents



Seed type

viviparous

Official common name : Pototan-lalaki /Major mangrove elements



young fruit

Other features

usually grows like a small tree but up to 20 m in height

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

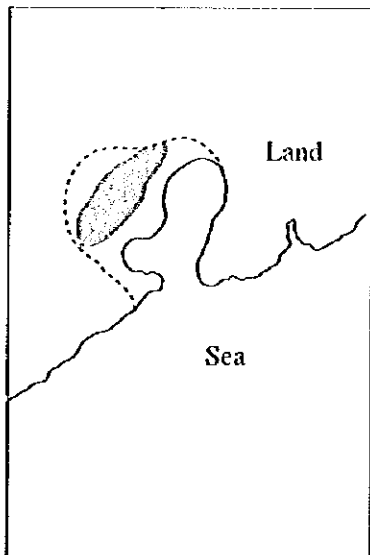
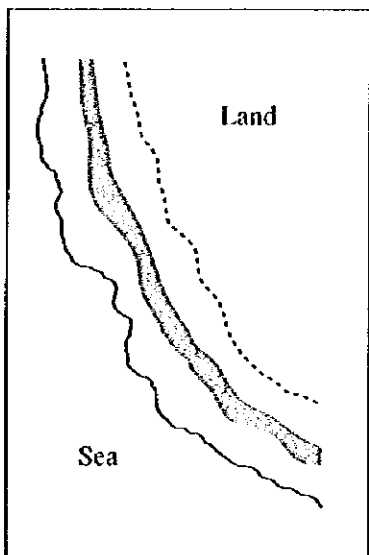
B. gymnorhiza and *B. sexangula*: color of calyx (yellowish green) and size of flower (smaller)

Other *Bruguiera* spp.: Bark (white patches)

B. parviflora: size of leaves (relatively longer and wider) and length of calyx (shorter)

Location

Usually found gregariously in the inner mangroves, on newly established substrates, stiff clay. Rather rare.



Bruguiera gymnorrhiza / Family : RHIZOPHORACEAE

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : acuminate
- Color : upper surface dark green, undersurface yellowish green
- Size : 9 - 22 cm long by 5 - 9 cm wide
- Others : leathery, undersurface without black dots



Bark

- few pustules, young bark-smooth and brown, old bark-rough, black and fissured



Roots

- knee-roots and short buttresses originating stilt-like roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : large flower, usually single, axillary
- Petal : brown, tip of petal lobes acute, each extended into 3 filaments
- Calyx : 10 - 14 lobes, red, 4 cm long, bell-shaped leathery in texture
- Size : 3 - 5 cm in length
- Others : usually the flower, stipules and midrib, undersurface reddish



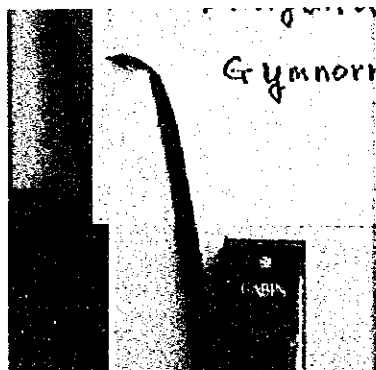
Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical, cigar-shaped, blunt apically
- Size : 20 - 30 cm long, 1 - 2 cm diameter
- Color : dark green to purple tinted brown
- Surface : smooth, ribbed
- Others : detached with calyx, buoyant, dispersed by currents



flower buds

/ Official common name : Busain / Major mangrove elements



Seed type

viviparous

Other features

tree grows up to 30 m or more in height, twigs, petioles and young stems covered with a fine white covering that rubs off

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

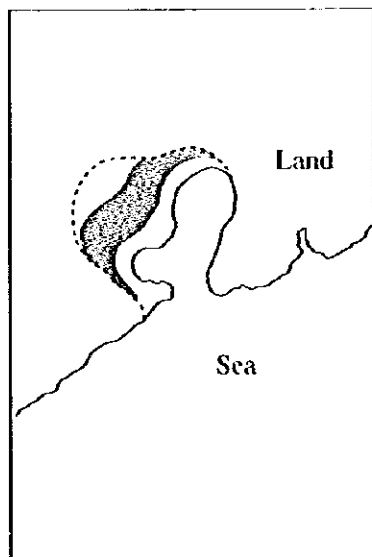
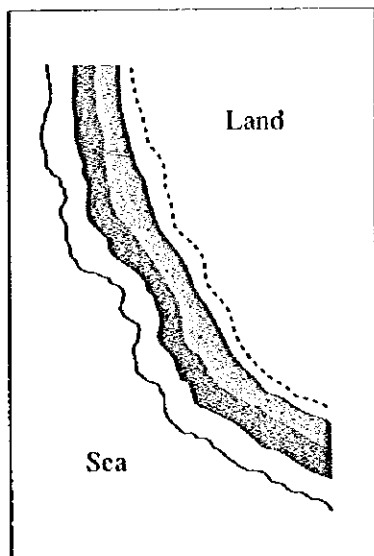
Other *Bruguiera* spp.: color of calyx (red), size of leaves (largest)

B. sexangula: bark (less pustule) and twigs and petioles (white waxy covering)

B. parviflora and *B. cylindrica*: size of flower (larger)

Location

usually found in the middle mangroves extending into the landward area, stiff clay



Bruguiera parviflora / Family : RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : acuminate
- Color : yellowish green
- Size : 7 - 13 cm long by 2 - 4 cm wide
- Others : upper surface shiny, undersurface dull



Bark

- gray and dark brown

Roots

- knee-roots and small buttress

Flower

- Inflorescence : 3 - 4 flowerd, cyme, axillary, peduncle 2 cm long
- Petal : white to yellowish
- Calyx : 8 lobes slender less than 3 cm long erect or slightly spreading in fruit, yellowish green
- Size : 0.6 - 1.0 cm in length
- Others : flower erect at anthesis



Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical
- Size : up to 15 cm long, less than 0.5 cm in diameter
- Color : yellowish green
- Surface : smooth
- Others : detached with calyx, buoyant, dispersed by currents



Seed type

- viviparous

flower buds

Official common name : Langarai /Major mangrove elements



Other features

tree grow up to 20 m in height

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

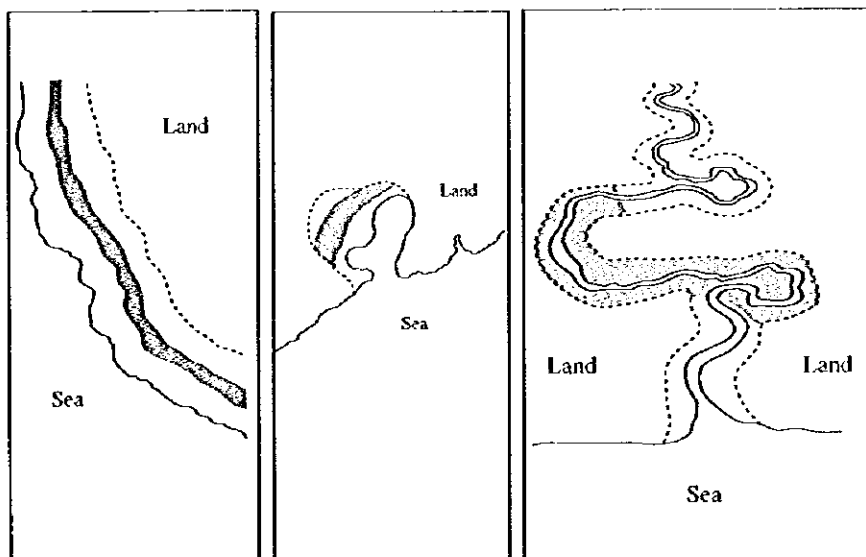
B. gymnorrhiza and *B. sexangula*: color of calyx (yellowish green) and size of flower (smaller)

Other *Bruguiera* spp.: size of leaves (smallest)

B. cylindrica: bark (without white patches) and length of calyx (longer)

Location

found in the inner mangroves on the firm mud flat, along river banks



Bruguiera sexangula / Family: RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : acuminate
- Color : dark green
- Size : 8 - 16 cm long by 3 - 6 cm wide
- Others : leathery



Bark

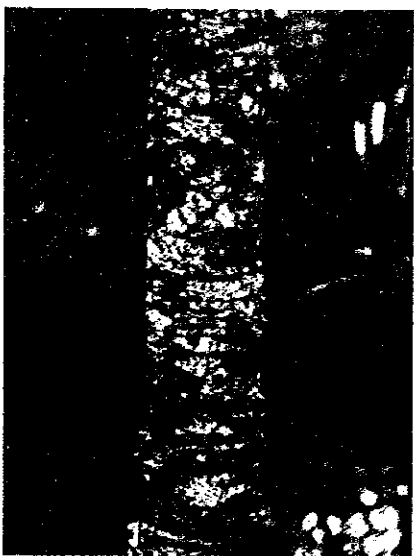
- many pustules, young bark- smooth and brown, old bark-rough, black and fissured

Roots

- knee-roots and short buttress

Flower

- Inflorescence : large flower, usually single, axillary
- Petal : white to brown, tip of petal lobes blunt without filaments
- Calyx : 10 - 14 lobes, yellow or tinged with red (orange), 2.5 cm long, bell-shaped, leathery in texture
- Size : 3 - 4 cm in length



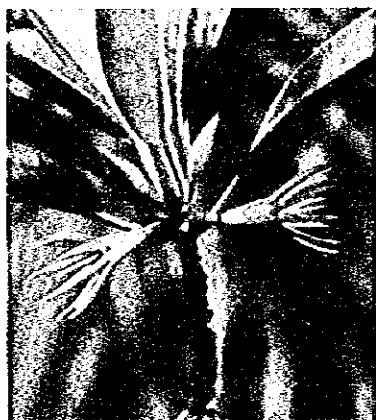
Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical, cigar-shaped, blunt apically
- Size : less than 15 cm long, 1 - 2 cm in diameter
- Color : green to purple tinted brown
- Surface : little rough to touch
- Others : detached with calyx, buoyant, dispersed by currents

Seed type

- viviparous

Official common name : Pototan /Major mangrove elements



Other features

tree grows up to 30 m or more in height, white covering absent

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

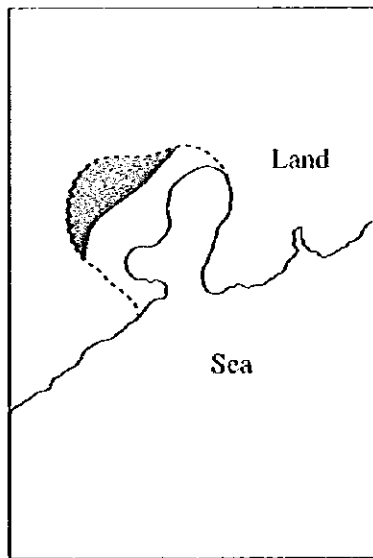
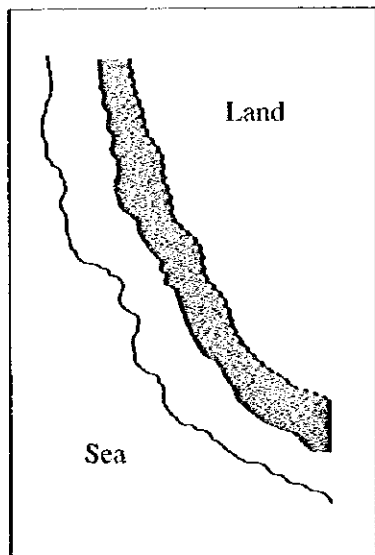
Other *Bruguiera* spp.: color of calyx (yellow or tinged with red (orange))

B. gymnorhiza: bark (more pustule) and twigs and petioles (lacks the white waxy covering)

B. parviflora and *B. cylindrica*: size of flower (larger)

Location

usually found in the middle mangroves community and extends into the landward area, on firm mud



Camptostemon philippinensis / Family : BOMBACACE

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : alternate
- Blade shape : oval to obovate
- Apex shape : rounded
- Color : light green
- Size : 8- 10 cm long by 3- 4 cm wide
- Others : small scales on both surfaces, spirally arranged

Bark

- brown, unfissured

Roots

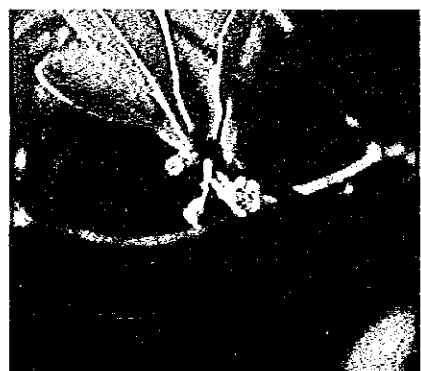
- plank-root

Flower

- Inflorescence : axillary, cyme
- Petal : five (5) and white
- Size : 0.5 cm in length
- Others : 5 stamens, with cotton-like hairs

Fruit

- Shape : pear-shaped capsule
- Size : 1.5 cm long by 0.8 cm
- Color : green
- Surface : covered with small and round scales
- Others : scaly laterally flattened, few seeds covered with cotton-like substance



after flower before fruit

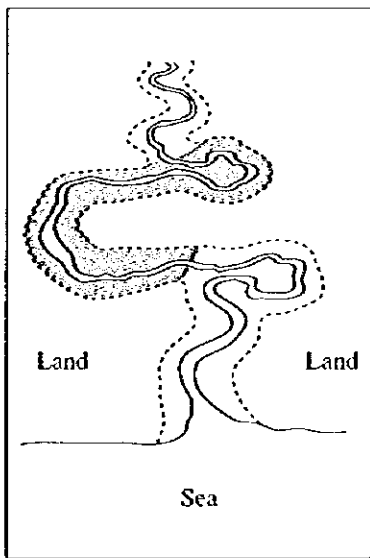
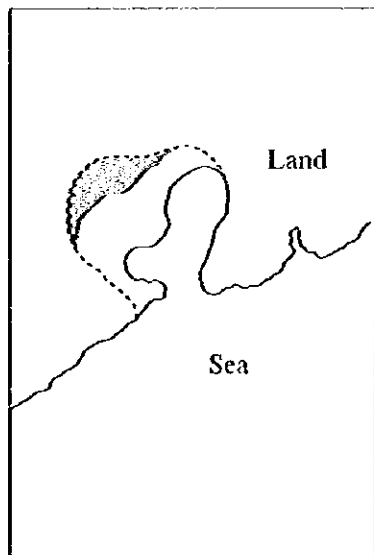
AE / Official common name : Gapas-gapas / Minor mangrove elements



Seed type
cryptoviviparous

Other features
tree grows up to 10 m or more in height

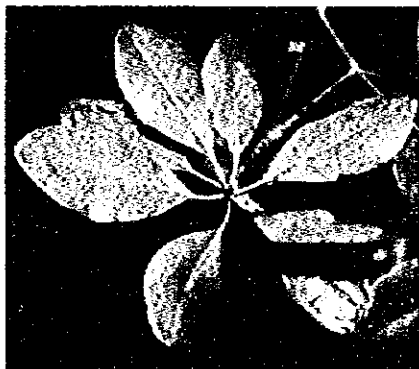
Location
usually observed on inner edges of the mangrove forest and along river banks



Ceriops decandra / Family: RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : oval to obovate
- Apex shape : emarginate to rounded
- Color : glossy yellowish green
- Size : 7 - 12 cm long by 3 - 5 cm wide
- Others : leathery



Bark

- pale grayish brown, smooth, slightly fissured, inclined to flake

Roots

- buttress originating stilt-like roots

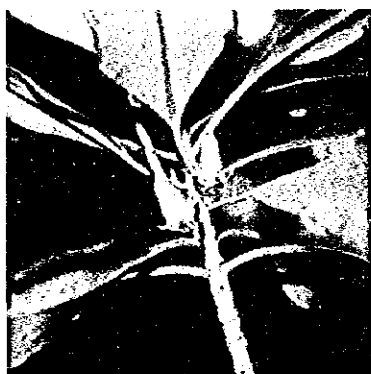
Flower

- Inflorescence : 5 - 10 flowered, condensed cyme, axillary
- Petal : 5, white, not enclosing the stamens at anthesis
- Calyx : 5 lobes, light greenish yellow, 5 mm long, somewhat pointed
- Size : 0.4 - 0.5 cm in diameter
- Others : flower on short stout peduncle (less than 10 mm long by 3 - 4 mm diameter)

Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical, blunt apex
- Size : 9 - 15 cm long, 0.8 - 1.2 cm diameter
- Color : green to brown (hypocotyle), dark red when mature (cotyledonary)
- Surface : relatively smooth, warty toward apex, ridge-shaped and grooved
- Others : calyx lobes erect in fruit, buoyant, dispersed by currents





young fruit

Seed type
viviparous

Other features

small to moderately tall tree up to 20 m in height, usually a bushy shrub or dwarf tree

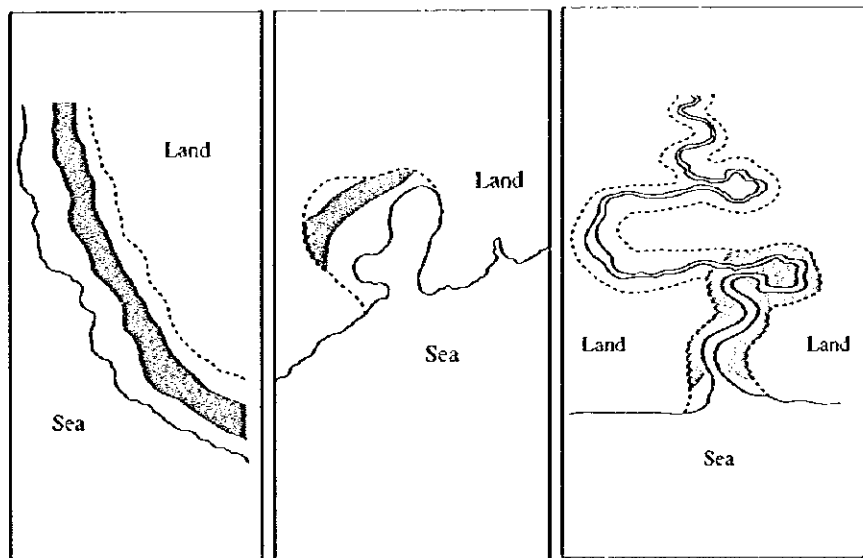
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

C. tagal: bark (dark color, less flaky), fruit (shorter, blunt apex), calyx lobes in fruit (erect), peduncle (short stout), stamens at anthesis (not enclosing)

Location

within the tidal zone mixed with other Rhizophoraceae, mouth of tidal stream, muddy soil inland, but less common than *C. tagal*.



Ceriops tagal / Family: RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : oval to obovate
- Apex shape : emarginate to rounded
- Color : glossy yellowish green
- Size : 7 - 12 cm long by 3 - 5 cm wide
- Others : leathery



Bark

- pale grayish white with a red tinge, smooth
- slightly fissured, peeling in thick strips from the buttressed portion

Roots

- buttress originating stilt-like roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : 5 - 10 flowered, hanging cyme, axillary
- Petal : 5, white, enclosing the stamens in pairs at anthesis
- Calyx : 5 lobes, light greenish yellow, 6 mm long, oblong and somewhat blunt
- Size : 0.4 - 0.5 cm in diameter
- Others : flower on long slender peduncle (10 - 20 mm long by 2 mm diameter)



Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical, sharply pointed apex
- Size : 16 - 30 cm long, 0.8 - 1.2 cm diameter
- Color : green to brown (hypocotyle), yellow when mature (cotyledonary)
- Surface : relatively smooth, warty throughout, slightly ridged and grooved
- Others : calyx lobes spread or reflexed in fruit, buoyant, dispersed by currents



Official common name : **Tangal /Major mangrove elements**



Seed type
viviparous

Other features

small to moderately tall tree up to 20 m in height, usually a bushy shrub or dwarf tree in unfavorable localities

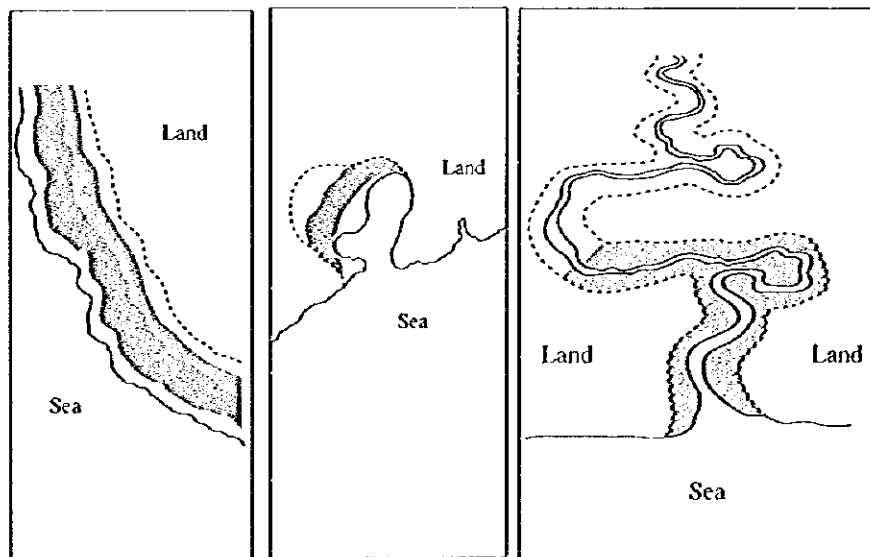
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

C. decandra: bark (light color, more flaky), fruit (longer, pointed apex), calyx lobes in fruit (spread or reflexed), peduncle (long slender), stamens at anthesis (enclosing)

Location

Rather more common than *C. decandra* in the same habitat especially inner mangroves on well drained soil.



Excoecaria agallocha / Family: EUPHORBIACEAE /



Leaf

Unit : simple

Arrangement : alternate

Blade shape : elliptical

Apex shape : acute

Color : green and shiny

Size : up to 9 cm long and 6 cm wide

Others : spirally arranged, leaf margin slightly wavy

Bark

gray with diagonal marking, rough

Roots

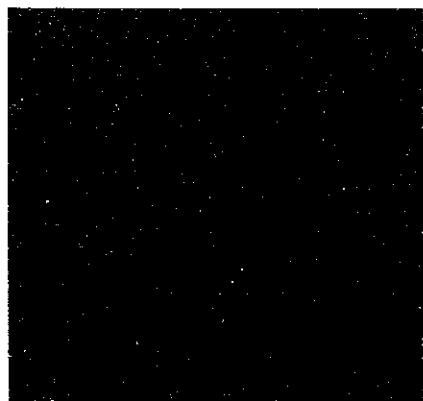
no prominent aerial roots

Flower

Inflorescence : male catkin or spike, female raceme, axillary

Petal : green and white

Calyx : yellowish green



flower

Official common name : **Buta-buta /Minor mangrove elements**

Size : male 5 - 10 cm long, female 2 - 3 cm long
Others : unisexual inflorescence, 3 yellow stamens

Fruit

Shape : combined 3 balls (3 lobes)
Size : 0.5 - 0.7 cm in diameter
Color : green
Surface : smooth, leathery

Seed type

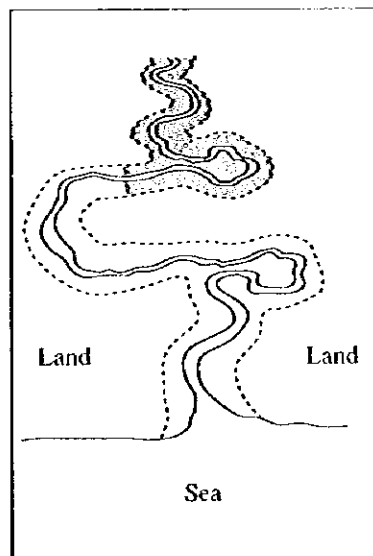
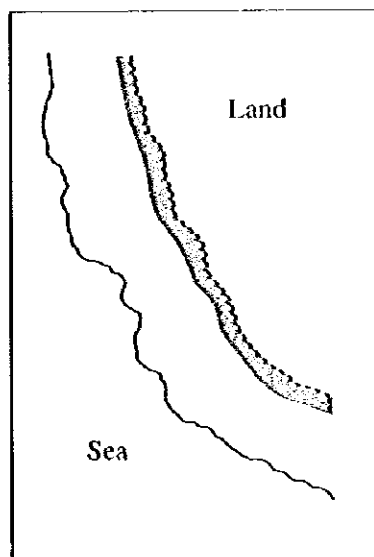
normal seed, black 3 mm in diameter

Other features

abundant white and milky latex, irritating can cause blisters or temporary blindness if in contact with eyes and skin

Location

open site, landward edge of mangrove, at or just above the high tide mark, dry area on firm mud or sand, common along bank of tidal streams and rivers.



Heritiera littoralis / Family : STERCULIACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : alternate
- Blade shape : elliptical to obovate
- Apex shape : acute
- Color : upper surface dark green, undersurface grayish white
- Size : usually 10 - 20 cm long by 5 - 10 cm wide (but up to 30 cm by 15 - 18 cm wide)

Bark

- dark gray, fissured

Roots

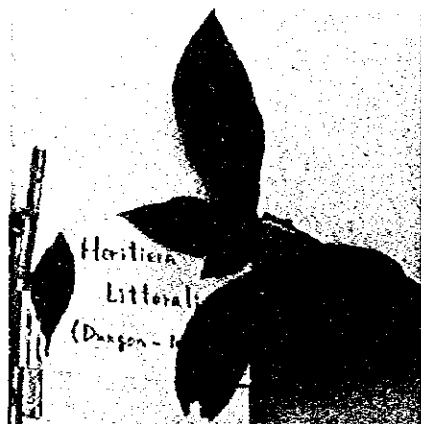
- buttress well developed, plank-roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : loose panicle, axillary or terminal
- Petal : purple and brown
- Calyx : 4 - 5 (-6) lobes, cup-shaped, reddish
- Size : female 0.4 - 0.5 cm long, 0.3 - 0.4 mm in diameter
- Others : unisexual flower, densely hairy

Fruit

- Shape : oval ball with ridge on outer edge resembles a chicken's comb
- Size : 5 - 7 cm long
- Color : green to brown
- Surface : smooth
- Others : buoyant, dispersed by currents



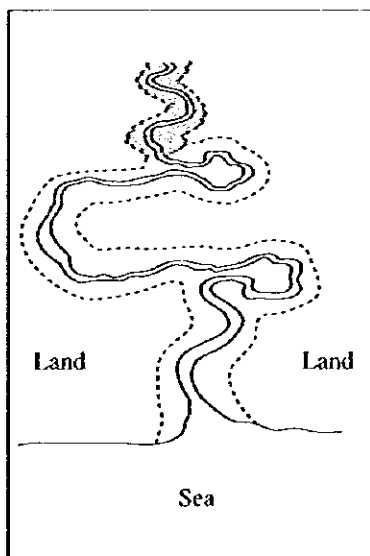
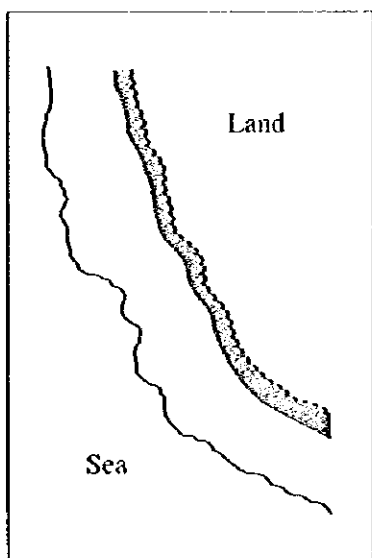
Official common name : **Dungon-late /Minor mangrove elements**



Seed type
normal seed

Other features
height up to 25 m, intolerant of high salinity

Location
landward edge of mangrove, along upstream of rivers



Lumnitzera littorea / Family: COMBRETACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : alternate
- Blade shape : obovate
- Apex shape : round to emarginate
- Color : green
- Size : 4 - 8 cm long
- Others: very thick, both surfaces are almost the same, fleshy leaves with an indentation at the end, glabrous



Bark

- gray to dark brown, sometimes has pustules, grooved, rough, fissured along the long axis of the trunk

Roots

- small buttress and looped laterals that protrude up to 10 cm above the substrate



Flower

- Inflorescence : spike, terminal, 2 - 3 cm long
- Petal : 5, bright red
- Calyx : 5 lobes, green
- Size : 1.6 - 1.8 cm long, 0.5 - 0.7 cm in diameter
- Others : less than 10 stamens much longer than the petals

Fruit

- Shape : vase-shaped
- Size : 1.5 - 2.5 cm long
- Color : green tinged with red
- Surface : glossy
- Others: narrowed at each end with a persistent calyx, buoyant, dispersed by currents



Seed type

- normal seed (single)

Official common name : Tabau /Major mangrove elements



Other features

usually small multi-branched shrubs with red twigs, tree can grow up to 35 m

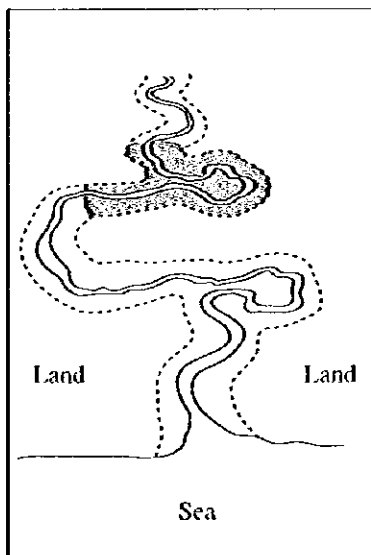
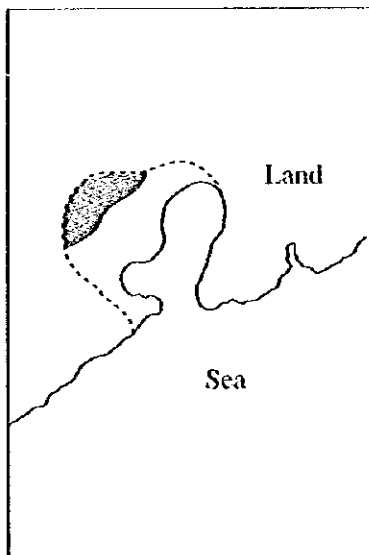
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

L. racemosa: color of flower (red), color and size of fruit (green tinged with red, longer), leaf blade when young (glabrous), leaf (slightly larger and thicker), bark (slightly less fissured)

Location

landward fringe, along river banks, less saline areas, well-drained sites



Lumnitzera racemosa / Family: COMBRETACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : alternate
- Blade shape : obovate
- Apex shape : round to emarginate
- Color : green
- Size : 3 - 7 cm long
- Others : very thick, both surfaces are almost the same, sometimes hairy when young



Bark

- gray to dark brown, grooved, rough, fibrous
- fissured longitudinally

Roots

- small buttress, looping lateral roots
- sometimes develop, but less commonly than in *L. littorea*

Flower

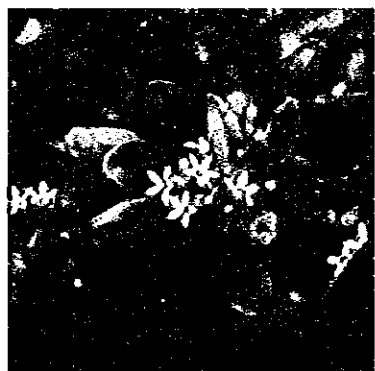
- Inflorescence : spike, axillary or terminal, 1 - 2 cm long
- Petal : 5, white
- Calyx : 5 lobes, green
- Size : 0.7 - 0.8 cm long, 0.4 - 0.5 cm in diameter
- Others : less than 10 stamens as long as the petals

Fruit

- Shape : vase-shaped
- Size : 1.0 - 1.5 cm long
- Color : green
- Surface : glossy
- Others : narrowed at each end with a persistent calyx, buoyant, dispersed by currents



Official common name : **Kulasi /Major mangrove elements**



Seed type

normal seed (single)

Other features

usually small multi-branched shrubs with brown twigs, rarely growing more than 6 m

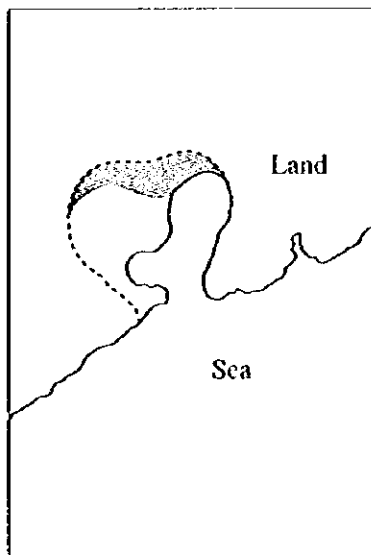
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

L. littorea: color of flower (white), color and size of fruit (green, shorter), leaf blade when young (sometimes hairy), leaf (slightly smaller and thinner), bark (slightly more fissured)

Location

landward fringe, saline areas, dry part or sandy portions.



Nypa fruticans / Family: PALMAE /

Leaf

- Arrangement : palm leaf
- Blade shape : lanceolate (leaflet)
- Apex shape : acute (leaflet)
- Color : green
- Size : leaf unit 4 - 9 m long
- Others : shining, smooth and no spines

Bark

- smooth, green and light brown at the base

Roots

- no prominent aerial roots

Flower

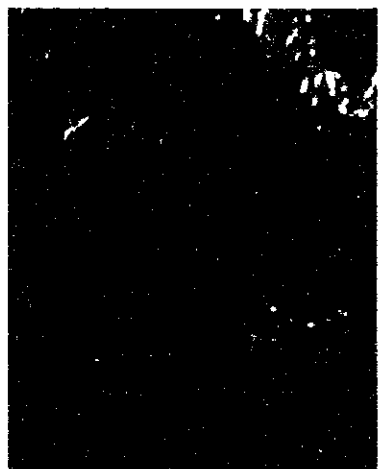
- Inflorescence : on a long peduncle, at its tip circular cluster of flowers of two forms male and female
- Size : 25 cm (female)
- Others : female, globose-like head, male, catkin-like, orange to yellow in color

Fruit

- Shape : globose, similar to pandanus
- Size : circular fruiting head 30 cm or more in diameter
- Color : young green, mature brown
- Others : on a special erect stout stalk



Official common name : **Nipa /Major mangrove elements**



fruit

Seed type

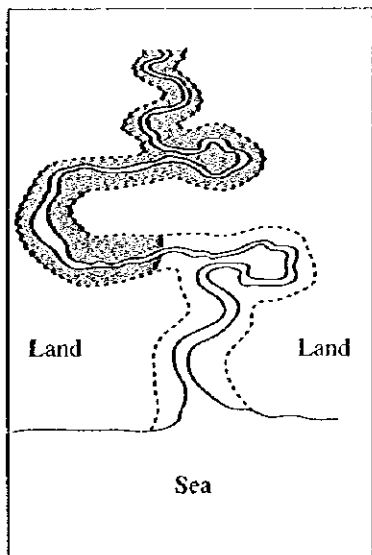
cryptoviviparous

Other features

a shrubby stout palm with thick short horizontal stem that is buried in the mud, forms large colonies

Location

along the river banks where there is freshwater and saltwater influence



Osbornia octodonta / Family: MYRTACEAE /



Leaf

Unit : simple

Arrangement : opposite

Blade shape : obovate

Apex shape : rounded

Color : green

Size : 2 - 6 cm long by 2 cm wide

Others: petiole tinged with red, aromatic when crushed, both surfaces are almost the same, have oil glands (translucent dots)

Bark

gray or reddish brown, spongy flaking, fibrous

Roots

no prominent aerial roots, sometimes obscure buttress

Flower

Inflorescence : 1 - 3 flowered cyme, axillary

Calyx : bell-shaped or berry-like with 8 lobes,



Official common name : **Tualis /Minor mangrove elements**

yellowish green, dense hairy

Size : 0.5 - 0.7 cm in length

Others : numerous stamens (up to 48), white to yellow

Fruit

Shape : spherical

Size : 0.7 cm long, 0.5 cm diameter

Color : yellowish green

Surface : densely hairy, leathery in texture

Others : one or two seeds

Seed type

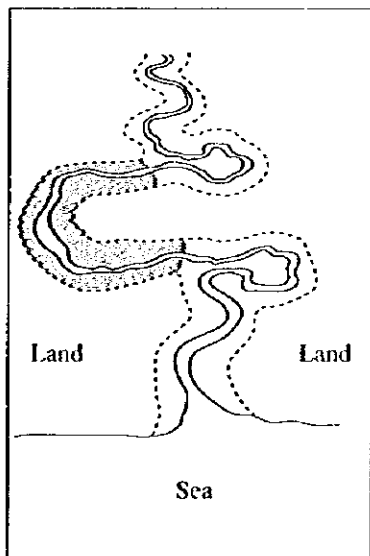
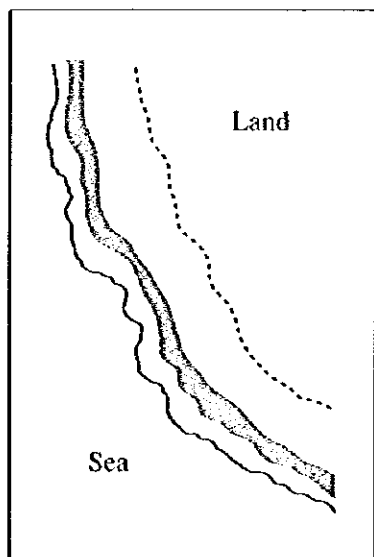
normal seed

Other features

low shrub or small bushy tree

Location

Usually on more exposed sites in association with mangroves, on sandy or gravelly shores. It is not abundant.



Rhizophora apiculata / Family: RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : narrowly elliptical
- Apex shape : apiculate (with an abrupt slender tip)
- Color : upper surface dark glossy green, undersurface pale green
- Size : 6 - 18 cm long by 2 - 6 cm wide
- Others : undersurface has small black dots, scattered sometimes indistinct



Bark

- young tree- light gray and smooth; mature tree - gray to dark gray, vertical fissure and tessellated



Roots

- stilt-roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : 2 flowered, cyme, axillary
- Petal : 4, white, glabrous
- Calyx : 4 lobes, golden yellow to pale yellow, 2.0 - 3.0 cm when spread
- Others : flowers in pairs on a short, stout and stiffened peduncle about 1.0 cm shorter than the petiole, usually 12 stamens, with brown style 1 mm long



Fruit

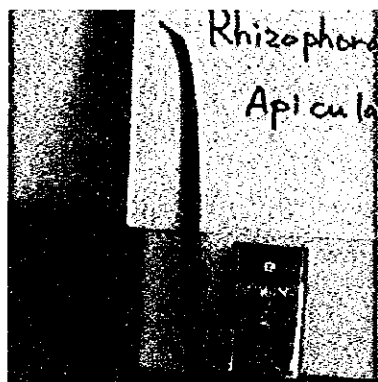
- Shape : cylindrical fruit, frequently curved
- Size : 20 - 30 cm long, 1 - 2 cm diameter
- Color : green tinged with red
- Surface : warty (relatively smooth)
- Others : hypocotyl, detaches from under cotyledonary collar, buoyant, dispersed by currents



Seed type

- viviparous

Official common name : Bakauan-lalaki /Major mangrove elements



Other features

shoot, stipule, petiole, midrib, and terminal bud reddish, trees can grow up to 30 m

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

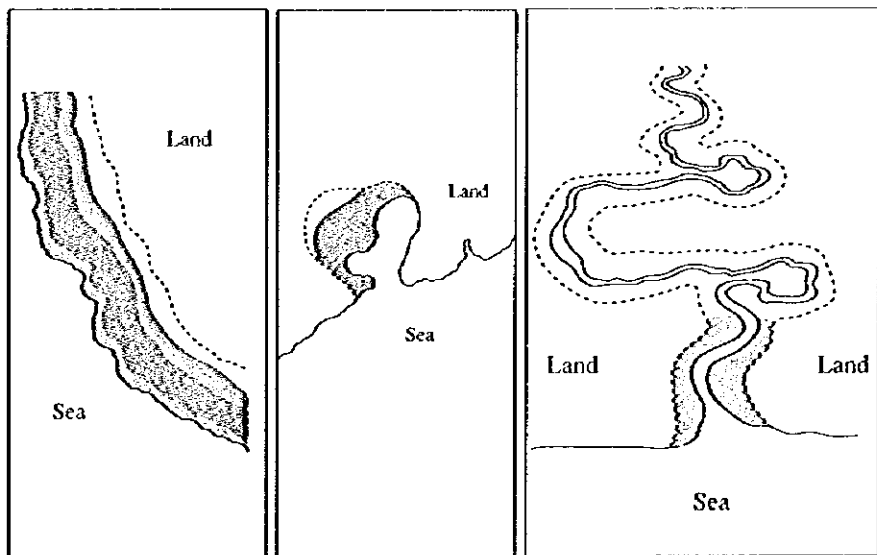
Comparing with

Other Rhizophora spp.: color of shoot and terminal bud etc. (reddish), number of flowers (two), length of peduncle (shorter), surface of petal (glabrous)

R. mucronata: size of leaf (narrower), surface of bark (not so rough), length of fruit (shorter)

Location

this species is usually found low in the intertidal zone with soft mangrove mud, on estuaries normally flooded by the tides.



Rhizophora mucronata / Family: RHIZOPHORACEAE

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : apiculate (with an abrupt tooth-like tip)
- Color : upper surface dark green, undersurface light green
- Size : 8 - 23 cm long by 5 - 13 cm wide
- Others : undersurface has small black dots, scattered sometimes indistinct



Bark

- young tree - light gray and smooth; mature tree - gray to dark gray, rough, horizontal fissure and tessellated



Roots

- stilt-roots, crooked with extensively arching aerial stilt-roots



Flower

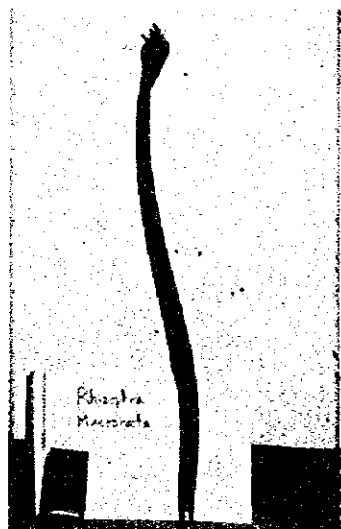
- Inflorescence : 4 or more flowered, dichotomous cyme, axillary
- Petal : 4, white, hairy
- Calyx : 4 lobes, creamy yellow to yellowish green
- Size : 1.5 - 2.0 cm in length, 3 - 4 cm in diameter
- Others : peduncle in 2.5 - 4.0 cm, 8 stamens, style 1 mm long



Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical fruit, gradually tapering to a hard sharp point
- Size : 50 - 100 cm in propagule-length, 1 - 2 cm diameter
- Color : green to yellowish green
- Surface : warty, rough
- Others : hypocotyl, detaches from under cotyledonary collar, buoyant, dispersed by currents

/ Official common name : Bakauan-babae / Major mangrove elements



Seed type
viviparous

Other features

shoot, stipule, petiole, midrib, and terminal bud greenish or whitish, trees can grow up to 25 m

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

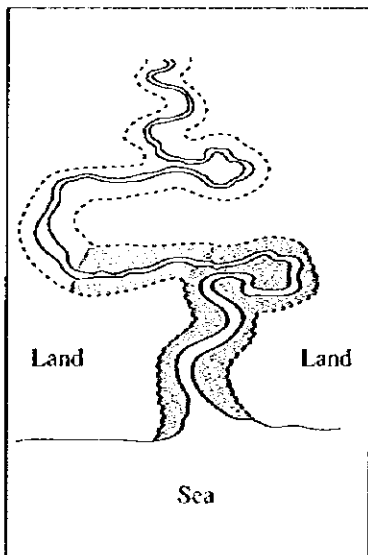
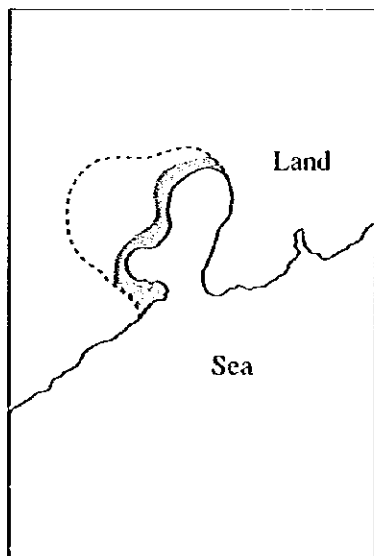
R. apiculata: color of shoot and terminal bud etc. (greenish or whitish), number of flowers (4 or more), length of peduncle (longer), surface of petal (hairy)

Other *Rhizophora* spp.: size of leaf (broader), and surface of bark (rough), length of fruit (longer)

Rhizophora stylosa: length of style (shorter)

Location

in the tidal stream, river banks and estuaries



Rhizophora stylosa / Family : RHIZOPHORACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptical
- Apex shape : apiculate (with an abrupt tooth-like tip)
- Color : upper surface dark green, undersurface pale green
- Size : 7 - 20 cm long by 4 - 7 cm wide
- Others : undersurface has small, scattered black dots, sometimes indistinct



Bark

- young tree - light gray and smooth; mature tree - gray to black, rough, fissure and tessellated



Roots

- stilt-roots

Flower

- Inflorescence : 4 or more flowered, dichotomous cyme, axillary
- Petal : 4, white, hairy
- Calyx : 4 lobes, creamy yellow to yellowish green
- Size : 1.5 - 2.0 cm in length, 2.5 - 3.5 cm in diameter
- Others : peduncle in 2.5 - 4.0 cm, 8 stamens, style 0.4 - 0.6 mm long

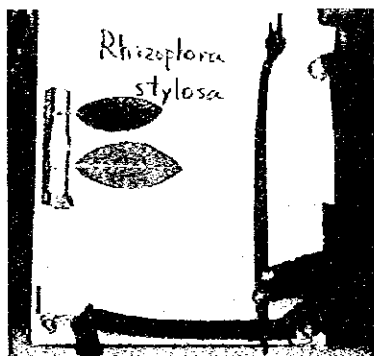


Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical fruit, pointed
- Size : 20 - 30cm in propagule-length, 1 - 2 cm diameter
- Color : green to yellowish green
- Surface : warty (relatively smooth)
- Others : hypocotyl, detaches from under cotyledonary collar, buoyant, dispersed by currents



Official common name : Bakauan-bato /Major mangrove elements



Seed type
viviparous

Other features

shoot, stipule, petiole, midrib, and terminal bud
greenish or whitish, trees can grow up to 20 m

Specific features for comparison with
other species in the same genus

Comparing with

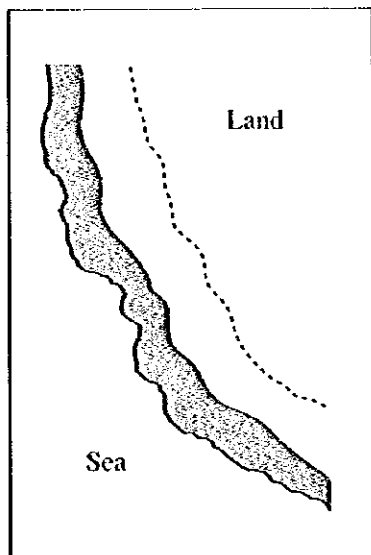
R. apiculata: color of shoot and terminal bud
etc. (greenish or whitish), number of flowers
(4 or more), length of peduncle (longer),
surface of petal (hairy)

R. mucronata: size of leaf (narrower), surface of
bark (not so rough), length of fruit (shorter)

Other *Rhizophora* spp.: length of style (longer)

Location

seaward, low in the intertidal zone, sandy
shores, coralline substrate, rocky coastline



Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea / Family: RUBIACEAE /

Leaf

Unit : simple

Arrangement : opposite

Blade shape : obovate

Apex shape : rounded

Color : very shiny green

Size : 4 - 7 cm long by 2 - 4 cm wide

Others : petiole tinged with red, leathery and glabrous surface, two terminal leaves are covered with sticky substance and are closely pressed together



Bark

rough, brown

Roots

no prominent aerial roots, occasionally has stilt-roots

Flower

Inflorescence : 3 - 7 flowered, condensed cyme, axillary

Petal : 4 or 5, white tinged with pinkish or red

Calyx : 4 or 5 obscure lobes, 0.4 cm long

Size : 3 - 5 cm in length

Others : peduncles with 0.2 - 1.5 cm, 4 - 5 stamens



Fruit

Shape : barrel shaped, small gear-like (8 to 10 longitudinal grooves)

Size : less than 1 cm in length, 0.4 - 0.5 cm

Official common name : Nilad /Major mangrove elements



diameter

Color : green to brown

Surface : glabrous

Seed type

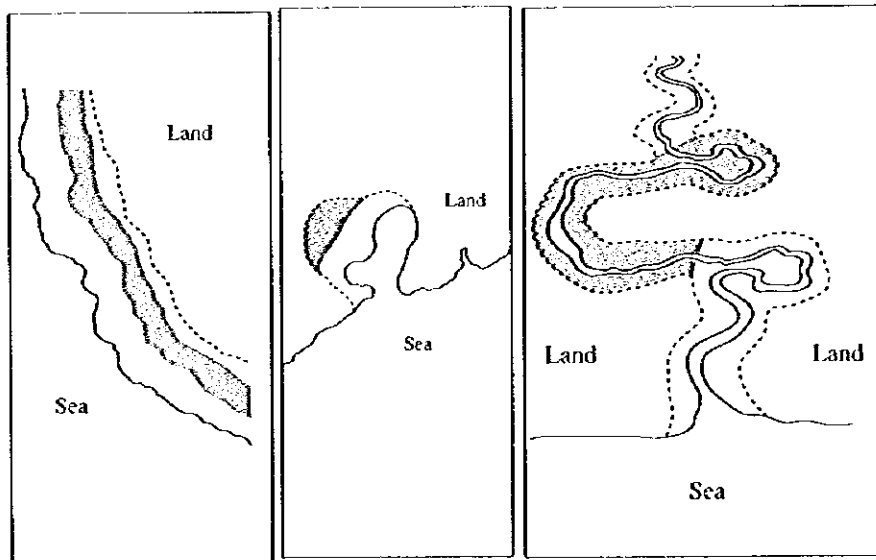
normal seed

Other features

petioles and young shoots sticky to touch,
height up to 3 m

Location

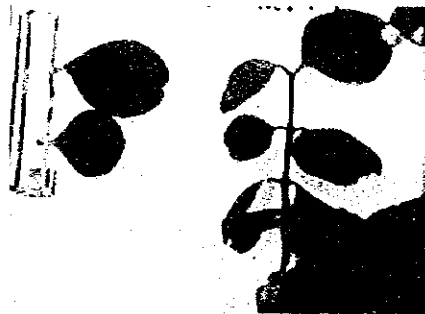
inner mangrove area, banks of tidal streams,
along river banks, firm mud or sandy soil



Sonneratia alba / Family: SONNERATIACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : oblong to obovate
- Apex shape : rounded to emarginate
- Color : dark green both surface
- Size : 5 - 10 cm long by 4 - 5 cm wide
- Others: both surfaces are almost the same, fleshy, juvenile leaf petiole is yellow



Bark

- light or dark brown, irregularly fissured, smooth with fine

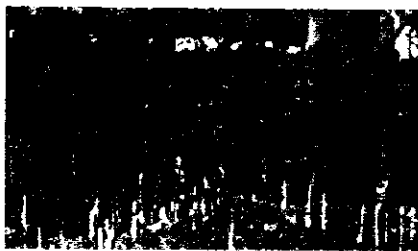


Roots

- pneumatophores, conical

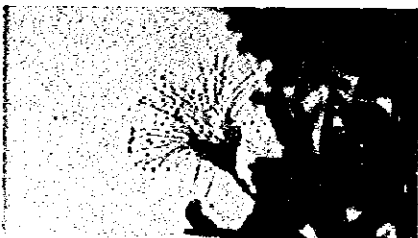
Flower

- Inflorescence : 1 to a few flowered, cyme, terminal or branchlet
- Petal : white
- Calyx : 6 - 8 lobes, green, inner side pale yellow partly pinkish, plenty of nectar in the tube
- Size : 5 - 8 cm in diameter
- Others : numerous stamens with white, flower ephemeral, opening in late evening and lasting one night



Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical (large base and short length)
- Size : 3.5 - 7 cm in diameter
- Color : green
- Surface : smooth
- Others : seated on flat or reflexed calyx, apex not depressed at base of style, calyx cup shaped enclosing the base of fruit



Official common name : Pagatpat /Major mangrove elements



Seed type

normal seed, contains 150 - 200 seeds in a fruit

Other features

bole crooked rarely straight, height up to 20 m

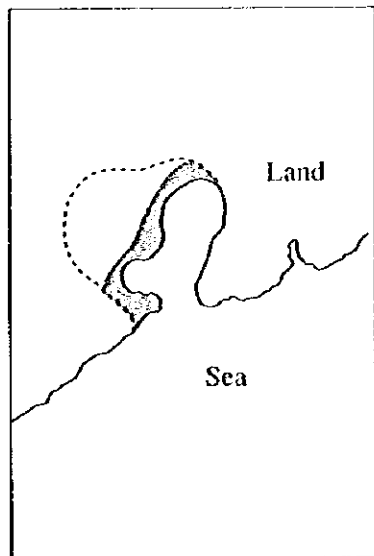
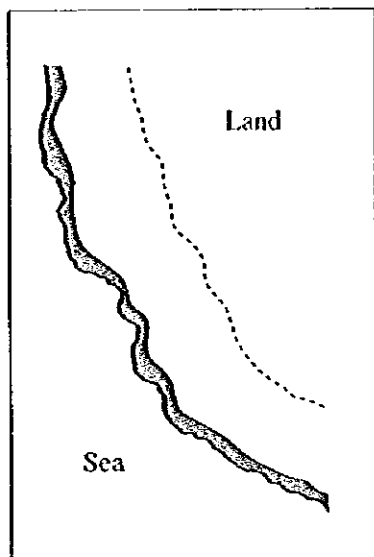
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

S. cascolaris: shape of leaf (sometimes obovate and emarginate), color of juvenile leaf petiole (yellow), location (often seaward fringe)

Location

newly-formed sandy mud flats in sheltered situations, often found in seaward fringe, estuaries with stagnant or slow moving water, tolerates saline areas



Sonneratia caseolaris / Family: SONNERATIACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : simple
- Arrangement : opposite
- Blade shape : elliptic - oblong or oval - obovate
- Apex shape : rounded with prominent recurved tip
- Color : green both surface
- Size : 5 - 13 cm long by 2 - 5 cm wide
- Others : both surfaces are almost the same, fleshy adult leaf, less fleshy juvenile leaf with petiole red in color



Bark

- dark gray, fissured

Roots

- pneumatophores, conical up to more than 1 m

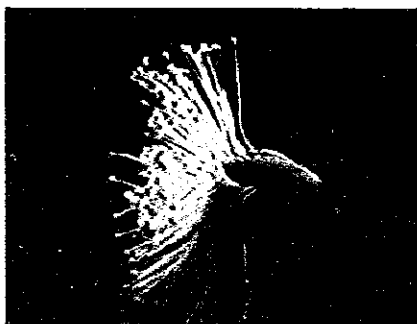
Flower

- Inflorescence : 1 to a few flowered, cyme, terminal
- Petal : red
- Calyx : 6 - 8 lobes, green, inner side reddish, plenty of nectar in the tube
- Size : 8 - 10 cm in diameter
- Others : numerous stamens with white and red, flower ephemeral, opening in late evening and lasting one night



Fruit

- Shape : cylindrical (large base and short length)
- Size : 5 - 8 cm in diameter
- Color : green
- Surface : smooth, glossy
- Others : surrounded by spreading star-shaped red-throated calyx tube, calyx flat and horizontal not enclosing the ripe fruit



Official common name : **Pedada /Major mangrove elements**



Seed type

normal seed, contains 800 - 1200 seeds in a fruit

Other features

bole crooked, rarely straight, height up to 15 m

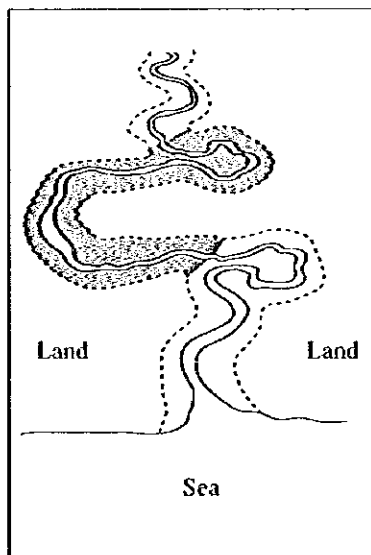
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

S. alba : shape of leaf (sometimes elliptic - oblong and rounded), color of juvenile leaf petiole (red), location (river banks)

Location

estuarine river banks, prefers less saline areas, rocky, sandy or muddy soil



Xylocarpus granatum / Family: MELIACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : compound (pinnate)
- Arrangement : alternate, usually 4 or 6 leaflets (opposite)
- Blade shape : oval to obovate (leaflet)
- Apex shape : rounded (leaflet)
- Color : green
- Size : 7 - 12 cm long by 4 - 6 cm wide (leaflet)
- Others : leathery surface, thick



Bark

- yellowish-brown, paper-like flake fall off exposing the inner green bark, smooth

Roots

- buttress and plank root

Flower

- Inflorescence : 8 - 20 flowered, panicle, mainly axillary
- Petal : 4, creamy to pinkish white
- Calyx : 4 lobes, yellowish green
- Size : 0.5 cm in length, 1.0 - 1.3 cm in diameter
- Others : unisexual flower, creamy white stamens fused into tubes, scented

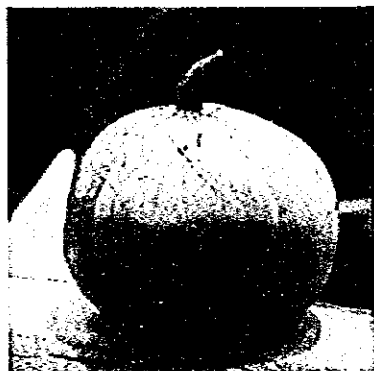


Fruit

- Shape : ball (spherical melon)
- Size : 15 - 25 cm in diameter
- Color : yellowish brown
- Surface : leathery
- Others : with corky leathery cover, buoyant, dispersed by currents, heavy (1 - 2 kg), contains 6 - 18 seeds



Official common name: **Tabigi /Minor mangrove elements**



Seed type
normal seed

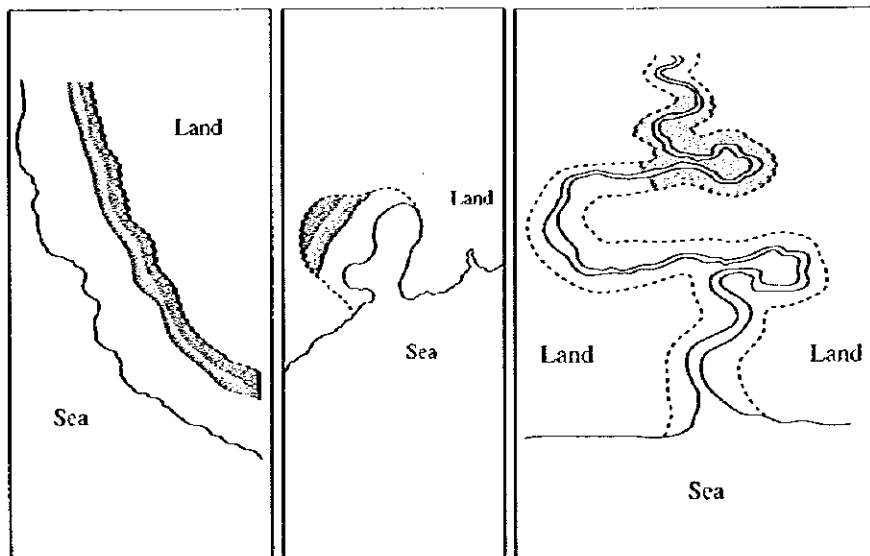
Other features
grows up to 25 m, stem usually contorted often hollow, crooked and branched with a short bole

Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with
X. moluccensis: size of fruit (larger), color and surface of bark (light brown, flaky and smooth), thickness and surface of leaflet (thick and leathery)

Location

Landward edge of mangrove area, upper portion of river banks, common on dry grounds, inner low-salinity areas, sandy, rocky



Xylocarpus moluccensis / Family: MELIACEAE /

Leaf

- Unit : compound (pinnate)
- Arrangement : alternate, usually 4 or 6 leaflet (opposite)
- Blade shape : oval to elliptical (leaflet)
- Apex shape : acute to rounded (leaflet)
- Color : green
- Size : 5 - 10 cm long by 3 - 5 cm wide (leaflet)
- Others : less leathery surface, thin

Bark

- dark gray or dark brown, rough, longitudinally fissured

Roots

- short buttress

Flower

- Inflorescence : 10 - 35 flowered, panicle, mainly axillary
- Petal : 4, creamy to pinkish white
- Calyx : 4 lobes, yellowish green
- Size : 0.5 cm in length, 0.8 - 1.3 cm in diameter
- Others : unisexual flower, creamy white stamens fused into tubes, scented

Fruit

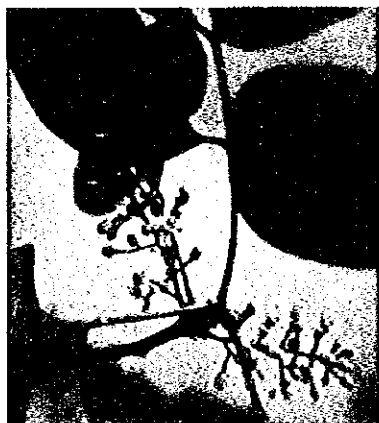
- Shape : ball (spherical melon)
- Size : up to 10 cm in diameter
- Color : green, dark brown when ripe
- Surface : leathery
- Others : with corky leathery cover, buoyant, dispersed by currents, contains 4 - 16 seeds

Seed type

- normal seed



Official common name : Piagau /Minor mangrove elements



Other features

grow up to 25 m, stem cylindrical with a good straight bole

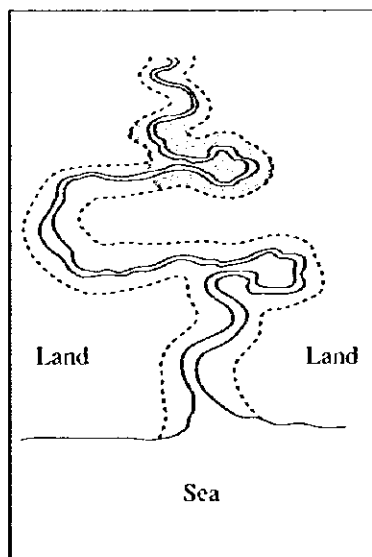
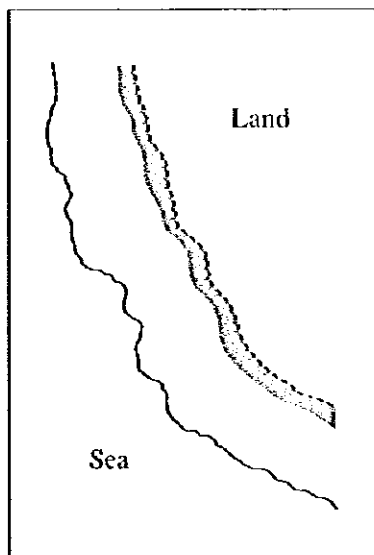
Specific features for comparison with other species in the same genus

Comparing with

X. meluccensis: size of fruit (smaller), color and surface of bark (dark gray, not flaky and rough), thickness and surface of leaflet (thin and less leathery)

Location

upper portion of river banks, inner low-salinity areas, common on dry grounds, sandy, rocky



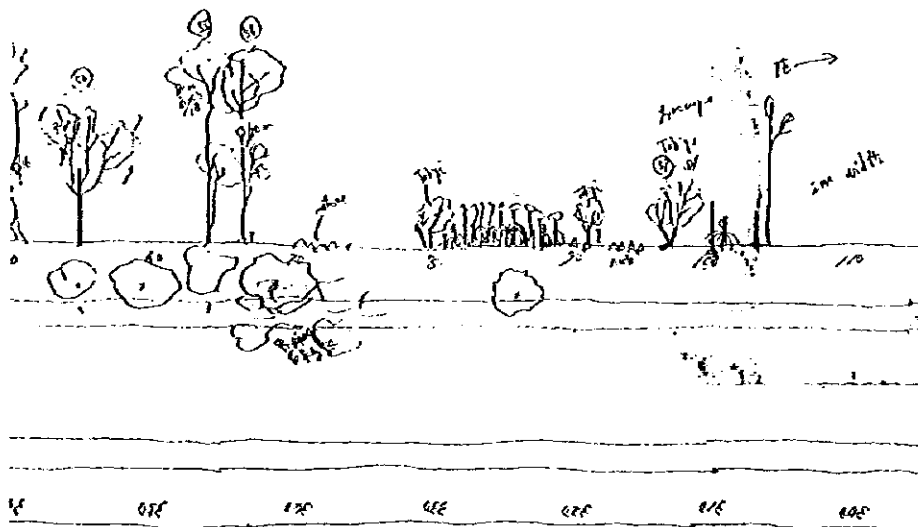
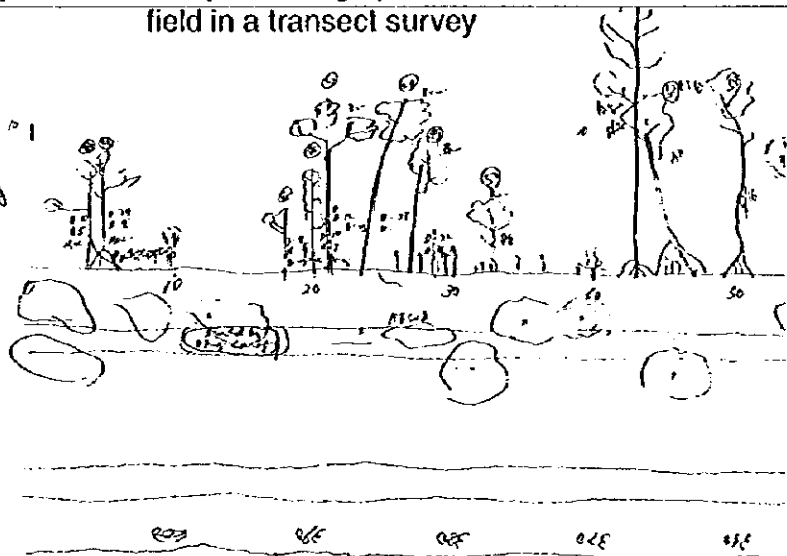
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Appendices

Appendix 1 Sample of rough profile sketch drawn on the field in a transect survey

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Crista Bay



Appendix 5 Field sheet for sample plot survey

Date / / 1999

Plot No. _____

Name of Surveyor _____

Area _____ Zone _____

Compartment _____ Sub-Compartment _____

1. Plot Position Tidal level L. M. H
Estuarine location D. I. U. O

2. Crown Density

Upper layer _____ %

Middle layer _____ %

Lower layer _____ %

3. GPS reading

N _____

E _____

4. Dominance (Class 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, +)

Species	Upper	Middle	Lower

5. Regeneration

Sample 1

Sample 2

Species	Number			Species	Number		
	<1m	1~3m	3m \leq		<1m	1~3m	3m \leq

Sample Plot Survey Sheet No.2

Date / /1999

Plot No. _____

6. Land use condition or affection of human activities

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7. Stands distribution sketch

8. Land feature sketch

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9. Seedling distribution sketch

Sample 1

Sample 2

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10. Brief description of the Mangrove Forest

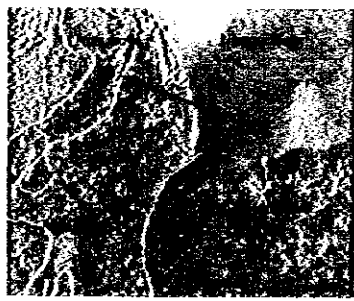
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Appendix 6 Sample of "Philippine Mangrove Plot Survey Sheet"

Plot No.45

Area : Ulogan Bay
 Zone : Macarascas
 Compartment : 302
 Sub-compartment : M9

Location Map



GPS data was not available because the satellites could not be caught

Brief Description of the Mangrove Forest

This plot has land condition of seaside wider flat and is located at middle tidal level and downstream estuarine place. The mangrove forest in the plot is composed of Ra with upper layer crown of old growth and Bg with lower layers crown and almost primary forest. The forest has stand volume of approx. 265 cubic meters per ha. Regeneration in the forest is very plenty.

1. Mangrove Stands Condition

a. Number of Stands

b. Dominance

Species	By Layer						Dominance			Remarks
	Real			Per ha			U	M	L	
	U	M	L	U	M	L				
Ra	13	4		289	89		4	3		
Bg		2	15		44	333		+	2	
Total	13	6	15	289	133	333				755 stands / ha

c. Crown Density

Upper layer : 60 %
 Middle layer : 20 %
 Lower layer : 20 %

d. Land use condition or affection of human activities

Small stumps of Ra show that the forest was utilized by local people. According to the people, trees in the area were cut for charcoal ten years ago.

e. Regeneration

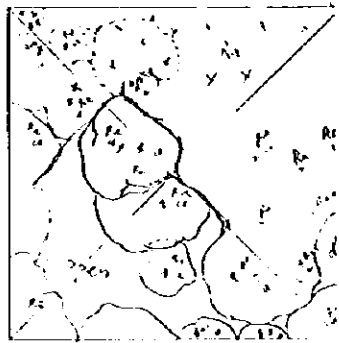
Seedling number by species (Per ha)

Species	number
Ra	85,000
Bg	10,000
Total	95,000

2. Stands list (significant volume stands)

No	Tape No	Species	DBH cm	Height m	Volume M ³
1	921	Ra	30	17	0.661
2	924	Ra	38	18	1.003
3	926	Ra	38	17	1.003
4	927	Ra	30	15	0.572
5	928	Ra	32	17	0.768
6	929	Ra	14	10	0.107
7	930	Ra	32	17	0.768
8	931	Ra	28	15	0.486
9	932	Ra	32	16	0.664
10	934	Ra	28	15	0.486
11	935	Ra	30	16	0.572
12	939	Bg	16	9	0.124
13	940	Ra	30	17	0.661
14	942	Ra	28	19	0.562
15	943	Bg	14	13	0.124
16	918	Ra	26	20	1.003
17	919	Ra	32	18	0.768
18	950	Ra	30	16	0.572
19	951	Bg	14	10	0.124
20	953	Ra	38	18	1.003

3. Stands distribution sketch

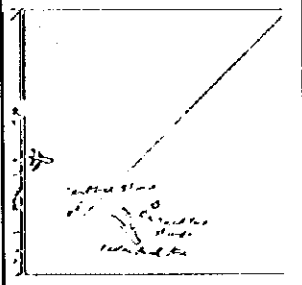


Total volume 12.031 cubic meter
267.33 cubic meter per ha

5. Photograph (stand condition of the plot)



4 Land feature sketch



Growth and Yield

Volume Functions

The only available data on mangrove growth and yield are those from studies in Palawan gathered by the Natural Resources Management Center (Cabahug et al. 1983). The derived volume functions in equation form for common mangrove tree species are as follows:

1. *Rhizophora apiculata* Blume (bakauan-lalake)
 $\text{Log } V_1 = -4.029663 + 1.837598 \text{ Log } D + 0.929837 \text{ Log } H$
 $\text{Log } V_2 = -4.791066 + 1.901799 \text{ Log } D + 1.085533 \text{ Log } H$
 $+ 0.834127 \text{ FF}$
2. *Rhizophora mucronata* Lam. (bakauan-babae)
 $\text{Log } V_1 = -3.788613 + 1.473822 \text{ Log } D + 1.120277 \text{ Log } H$
 $\text{Log } V_2 = -4.667635 + 1.887656 \text{ Log } D + 1.037529 \text{ Log } H$
 $+ 0.742427 \text{ FF}$
3. *Bruguiera cylindrica* (L.) Blume (polotan lalake)
 $\text{Log } V_1 = -3.814477 + 1.565084 \text{ Log } D + 1.035151 \text{ Log } H$
 $\text{Log } V_2 = -4.680300 + 1.867159 \text{ Log } D + 1.067606 \text{ Log } H$
 $+ 0.76183 \text{ FF}$
4. *Bruguiera gymnorrhiza* (L.) Lam. (busain)
 $\text{Log } V_1 = -3.629746 + 1.337198 \text{ Log } D + 1.56924 \text{ Log } H$
 $\text{Log } V_2 = -4.771440 + 1.980607 \text{ Log } D + 0.9991424 \text{ Log } H$
 $+ 0.7803200 \text{ FF}$
5. *Lumnitzera littorea* (Jack) Voight (tabau)
 $\text{Log } V_1 = -3.977934 + 1.621413 \text{ Log } D + 0.9805590 \text{ Log } H$
 $\text{Log } V_2 = -4.557025 + 1.859857 \text{ Log } D + 1.002259 \text{ Log } H$
 $+ 0.673728 \text{ FF}$
6. *Xylocarpus granatum* Koen. (tabigi)
 $\text{Log } V_1 = -3.942941 + 1.676631 \text{ Log } D + 1.016875 \text{ Log } H$
 $\text{Log } V_2 = -4.878811 + 2.043152 \text{ Log } D + 0.967386 \text{ Log } H$
 $+ 0.862088 \text{ FF}$

7. *Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea* Gaerth. (nilad)

$$\text{Log } V_1 = -3.316593 + 1.422360 \text{ Log } D + 0.5913420 \text{ Log } H$$

$$\text{Log } V_2 = -3.834415 + 1.653389 \text{ Log } D + 0.704516 \text{ Log } H \\ + 0.245311 \text{ FF}$$

Where: V = volume in cubic meter

D = diameter at breast height

FF = form factor

The form factor (FF) was computed using the formula adopted by Lamwitai (1973):

$$\text{Form Factor} = \frac{\text{Wood Volume of the tree}}{\text{Cylindrical volume corresponding to diameter at big end at same length}}$$

The ranges of form factors of mangrove tree species are shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Range of form factors by species.

Species	Form Factor	
1. <i>Rhizophora apiculata</i>	0.3952	to 0.6973
2. <i>Rhizophora mucronata</i>	0.3266	to 0.6834
3. <i>Bruguiera cylindrica</i>	0.3190	to 0.6783
4. <i>Bruguiera gymnorrhiza</i>	0.3545	to 0.6783
5. <i>Lumnitzera littorea</i>	0.3342	to 0.6570
6. <i>Xylocarpus granatum</i>	0.3645	to 0.6908
7. <i>Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea</i>	0.3985	to 0.6946

Form factors vary according to species and dbh or dab. Form factor increases correspondingly as the diameter increases.

The volume table for each species were computed using the selected 2-Index Variable equations. Both volume functions either in equational or tabular form, yield tree volume in cubic meters.

The DBH ranges from 10 to 35, 60, 70 and 75 cm for nilad; pototan and tabigi; busain; bakauan and tabau, respectively at 2.5 cm interval. The tree height range from 2.5 to 15, 17.5, 27.5, and 30 m for nilad; tabigi; busain; pototan and tabau; and bakauan, respectively at 2.5 m interval.

The equations derived should be used normally within these ranges and extrapolation should be done with caution.

Appendix 9 presents the volume tables for *Rhizophora apiculata*, *R. mucronata*, *Bruguiera cylindrica*, *B. gymnorrhiza*, *Lumnitzera littorea*, *Xylocarpus granatum*, and *Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea*.

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *Rhizophora apiculata*.

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S											
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	30.0
10.0	0.014	0.026	0.038	0.050	0.062							
12.5	0.021	0.040	0.058	0.076	0.094							
15.0	0.029	0.056	0.082	0.107	0.132							
17.5	0.039	0.075	0.109	0.143	0.176	0.209						
20.0	0.050	0.096	0.140	0.183	0.226	0.268						
22.5	0.062	0.129	0.174	0.229	0.282	0.334						
25.0	0.076	0.145	0.212	0.278	0.343	0.407						
27.5	0.091	0.174	0.254	0.332	0.410	0.486	0.562					
30.0	0.107	0.204	0.299	0.391	0.482	0.572	0.651					
32.5	0.124	0.237	0.347	0.454	0.560	0.664	0.768					
35.0	0.142	0.272	0.398	0.521	0.643	0.763	0.881					
37.5	0.162	0.310	0.453	0.593	0.731	0.868	1.003	1.136	1.269			
40.0	0.182	0.349	0.511	0.669	0.825	0.979	1.131	1.282	1.432			
42.5	0.204	0.391	0.572	0.749	0.924	1.096	1.267	1.438	1.603			
45.0	0.227	0.435	0.637	0.834	1.028	1.220	1.409	1.597	1.784			
47.5	0.251	0.481	0.704	0.922	1.137	1.349	1.559	1.767	1.974	2.179		
50.0	0.277	0.530	0.775	1.015	1.251	1.485	1.716	1.945	2.172	2.398		
52.5	0.303	0.580	0.849	1.112	1.371	1.626	1.879	2.130	2.379	2.626		
55.0	0.330	0.633	0.926	1.213	1.495	1.774	2.050	2.324	2.595	2.865		
57.5	0.359	0.688	1.006	1.318	1.625	1.928	2.227	2.525	2.820	3.112	3.404	
60.0	0.389	0.745	1.089	1.421	1.759	2.087	2.412	2.734	3.053	3.370	3.685	
62.5	0.420	0.804	1.176	1.540	1.898	2.252	2.603	2.950	3.295	3.637	3.977	
65.0	0.451	0.865	1.265	1.657	2.043	2.424	2.801	3.174	3.545	3.913	4.279	
67.5	0.484	0.928	1.357	1.778	2.192	2.601	3.005	3.406	3.804	4.199	4.592	4.982
70.0	0.518	0.993	1.453	1.903	2.345	2.783	3.216	3.645	4.071	4.494	4.914	5.332
72.5	0.554	1.060	1.551	2.032	2.505	2.972	3.434	3.892	4.347	4.798	5.247	5.693
75.0	0.590	1.130	1.653	2.164	2.668	3.166	3.658	4.147	4.631	5.112	5.590	6.065

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *Bruguiera cylindrica*.

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S												
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	30.0	
10.0	0.015	0.030	0.045	0.061									
12.5	0.021	0.042	0.064	0.087									
15.0	0.027	0.056	0.086	0.115									
17.5	0.035	0.072	0.109	0.147	0.185								
20.0	0.043	0.089	0.134	0.181	0.228								
22.5	0.052	0.106	0.161	0.217	0.274								
25.0	0.061	0.125	0.190	0.256	0.323								
27.5	0.071	0.145	0.221	0.298	0.375	0.453							
30.0	0.081	0.166	0.253	0.341	0.430	0.519							
32.5	0.092	0.183	0.287	0.386	0.497	0.588							
35.0	0.103	0.212	0.322	0.434	0.547	0.660							
37.5	0.115	0.236	0.359	0.483	0.609	0.735	0.863						
40.0	0.127	0.261	0.397	0.535	0.674	0.814	0.955						
42.5	0.140	0.287	0.437	0.588	0.741	0.895	1.050						
45.0	0.153	0.314	0.477	0.643	0.810	0.979	1.148	1.319					
47.5	0.166	0.341	0.520	0.700	0.882	1.065	1.250	1.435					
50.0	0.180	0.370	0.563	0.758	0.956	1.154	1.354	1.555					
52.5	0.193	0.399	0.608	0.819	1.031	1.245	1.462	1.678	1.896	2.115			
55.0	0.209	0.429	0.654	0.880	1.109	1.340	1.572	1.805	2.039	2.275			
57.5	0.225	0.460	0.701	0.944	1.189	1.436	1.685	1.935	2.186	2.438			
60.0	0.240	0.492	0.749	1.009	1.271	1.535	1.801	2.068	2.337	2.606			
62.5	0.256	0.525	0.798	1.075	1.355	1.637	1.920	2.205	2.491	2.778	3.057		
65.0	0.272	0.558	0.849	1.144	1.441	1.740	2.042	2.345	2.649	2.954	3.261		
67.5	0.289	0.592	0.900	1.213	1.529	1.845	2.166	2.487	2.810	3.134	3.459		
70.0	0.305	0.626	0.953	1.284	1.618	1.954	2.293	2.633	2.975	3.318	3.662		

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *R. mucronata*.

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S												
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	30.0	
10.0	0.014	0.029	0.045	0.064	0.082								
12.5	0.019	0.041	0.064	0.089	0.114								
15.0	0.025	0.053	0.084	0.116	0.149								
17.5	0.031	0.067	0.106	0.146	0.187	0.230							
20.0	0.038	0.082	0.129	0.177	0.228	0.280							
22.5	0.045	0.097	0.153	0.211	0.271	0.333							
25.0	0.052	0.113	0.179	0.247	0.317	0.388							
27.5	0.059	0.131	0.205	0.284	0.364	0.447	0.531						
30.0	0.068	0.148	0.234	0.323	0.414	0.508	0.604						
32.5	0.077	0.167	0.263	0.363	0.466	0.572	0.679						
35.0	0.086	0.186	0.293	0.405	0.520	0.638	0.758						
37.5	0.095	0.206	0.325	0.448	0.576	0.705	0.839	0.974	1.112				
40.0	0.104	0.227	0.357	0.493	0.633	0.776	0.923	1.072	1.223				
42.5	0.114	0.248	0.391	0.539	0.692	0.849	1.009	1.172	1.337				
45.0	0.124	0.270	0.425	0.586	0.753	0.924	1.098	1.275	1.455				
47.5	0.134	0.292	0.460	0.635	0.815	1.000	1.189	1.381	1.575	1.773			
50.0	0.145	0.315	0.496	0.685	0.879	1.079	1.282	1.483	1.699	1.912			
52.5	0.156	0.339	0.533	0.738	0.945	1.159	1.378	1.600	1.826	2.054			
55.0	0.167	0.363	0.571	0.788	1.012	1.241	1.475	1.713	1.955	2.200			
57.5	0.178	0.387	0.610	0.842	1.081	1.325	1.575	1.830	2.088	2.349	2.614		
60.0	0.190	0.412	0.649	0.895	1.151	1.411	1.677	1.948	2.223	2.501	2.783		
62.5	0.201	0.438	0.689	0.952	1.222	1.499	1.781	2.069	2.361	2.656	2.955		
65.0	0.213	0.464	0.730	1.008	1.295	1.588	1.887	2.192	2.501	2.814	3.131		
67.5	0.226	0.490	0.772	1.066	1.369	1.679	1.995	2.317	2.644	2.975	3.311	3.650	
70.0	0.238	0.517	0.815	1.125	1.444	1.771	2.105	2.445	2.790	3.139	3.493	3.850	
72.5	0.251	0.545	0.858	1.184	1.521	1.865	2.217	2.575	2.938	3.306	3.678	4.055	
75.0	0.263	0.573	0.902	1.245	1.599	1.961	2.330	2.705	3.088	3.475	3.867	4.263	

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *Bruguiera gymnorrhiza*.

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S											
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	
10.0	0.014	0.030	0.045	0.064								
12.5	0.021	0.043	0.067	0.092								
15.0	0.028	0.057	0.089	0.124								
17.5	0.035	0.073	0.113	0.157	0.204							
20.0	0.043	0.089	0.138	0.191	0.243							
22.5	0.050	0.105	0.163	0.225	0.292							
25.0	0.058	0.120	0.187	0.259	0.336							
27.5	0.065	0.136	0.211	0.292	0.379	0.473						
30.0	0.073	0.151	0.235	0.325	0.421	0.524						
32.5	0.080	0.165	0.257	0.355	0.461	0.574						
35.0	0.086	0.178	0.278	0.384	0.499	0.621						
37.5	0.092	0.191	0.297	0.412	0.534	0.665	0.805					
40.0	0.098	0.203	0.316	0.437	0.567	0.706	0.855					
42.5	0.103	0.214	0.333	0.459	0.597	0.743	0.900					
45.0	0.108	0.223	0.348	0.481	0.624	0.778	0.942	1.117				
47.5	0.112	0.232	0.362	0.500	0.649	0.808	0.979	1.161				
50.0	0.116	0.240	0.374	0.517	0.671	0.836	1.012	1.201				
52.5	0.119	0.247	0.385	0.532	0.691	0.860	1.041	1.235	1.442	1.664		
55.0	0.122	0.253	0.394	0.545	0.707	0.881	1.067	1.265	1.477	1.704		
57.5	0.124	0.258	0.402	0.555	0.721	0.899	1.088	1.291	1.507	1.738		
60.0	0.126	0.262	0.408	0.565	0.733	0.913	1.106	1.312	1.531	1.766		
62.5	0.128	0.266	0.414	0.572	0.742	0.925	1.120	1.328	1.551	1.789	2.042	
65.0	0.129	0.268	0.418	0.578	0.750	0.934	1.130	1.341	1.566	1.806	2.062	
67.5	0.130	0.270	0.420	0.582	0.755	0.940	1.138	1.350	1.576	1.818	2.075	
70.0	0.131	0.271	0.422	0.584	0.757	0.943	1.142	1.355	1.582	1.825	2.083	

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *Xylocarpus granatum*.

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S												
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	30.0	
10.0	0.014	0.028											
12.5	0.020	0.041											
15.0	0.027	0.055											
17.5	0.035	0.071											
20.0	0.044	0.089	0.135										
22.5	0.054	0.109	0.164										
25.0	0.064	0.130	0.195										
27.5	0.075	0.152	0.230										
30.0	0.087	0.176	0.266	0.356									
32.5	0.099	0.201	0.304	0.407									
35.0	0.113	0.228	0.344	0.461									
37.5	0.128	0.256	0.386	0.517									
40.0	0.141	0.285	0.430	0.577									
42.5	0.156	0.315	0.476	0.638	0.801								
45.0	0.172	0.347	0.524	0.703	0.881								
47.5	0.188	0.380	0.574	0.769	0.965								
50.0	0.205	0.414	0.626	0.838	0.952								
52.5	0.222	0.450	0.679	0.910	1.141								
55.0	0.240	0.486	0.734	0.984	1.234								
57.5	0.259	0.524	0.791	1.060	1.330								
60.0	0.278	0.562	0.849	1.138	1.428								

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *L. littorea*

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S											
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	30.0
10.0	0.016	0.031	0.046									
12.5	0.022	0.043	0.065									
15.0	0.029	0.057	0.085	0.113								
17.5	0.036	0.072	0.107	0.143								
20.0	0.044	0.086	0.131	0.174								
22.5	0.053	0.105	0.157	0.208	0.260							
25.0	0.062	0.123	0.183	0.224	0.304							
27.5	0.071	0.142	0.212	0.281	0.351							
30.0	0.081	0.161	0.241	0.321	0.400	0.479						
32.5	0.092	0.182	0.272	0.361	0.451	0.540						
35.0	0.102	0.203	0.304	0.434	0.504	0.604						
37.5	0.113	0.225	0.337	0.448	0.559	0.670	0.780					
40.0	0.125	0.248	0.371	0.434	0.616	0.738	0.860					
42.5	0.137	0.272	0.407	0.541	0.674	0.808	0.941					
45.0	0.149	0.296	0.443	0.589	0.735	0.880	1.026					
47.5	0.162	0.321	0.480	0.639	0.797	0.955	1.112	1.270				
50.0	0.175	0.347	0.519	0.690	0.861	1.031	1.201	1.371				
52.5	0.188	0.374	0.558	0.743	0.926	1.110	1.293	1.476				
55.0	0.202	0.401	0.599	0.795	0.993	1.190	1.386	1.582	1.778			
57.5	0.215	0.428	0.640	0.851	1.062	1.272	1.482	1.692	1.901			
60.0	0.230	0.457	0.682	0.907	1.132	1.356	1.580	1.803	2.026			
62.5	0.244	0.485	0.725	0.965	1.203	1.442	1.680	1.917	2.154	2.392		
65.0	0.259	0.515	0.769	1.203	1.276	1.529	1.781	2.033	2.265	2.537		
67.5	0.274	0.545	0.814	1.803	1.351	1.618	1.885	2.152	2.418	2.684		
70.0	0.290	0.575	0.850	1.143	1.426	1.709	1.991	2.273	2.554	2.835	3.116	
72.5	0.305	0.606	0.906	1.205	1.504	1.801	2.093	2.396	2.692	2.988	3.284	
75.0	0.321	0.638	0.954	1.268	1.582	1.895	2.208	2.521	2.833	3.144	3.456	

Cubic meter volume for timber-producing mangrove species in Palawan for *Scyphiphora hydrophyllacea*.

DBH (cm)	H E I G H T I N M E T E R S											
	2.5	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0	17.5	20.0	22.5	25.0	27.5	30.0
10.0	0.021	0.031										
12.5	0.029	0.044										
15.0	0.039	0.059										
17.5	0.049	0.075	0.093									
20.0	0.060	0.091	0.113									
22.5	0.071	0.109	0.135									

Appendix 8

Glossary

- Acuminate:** tapering to the apex, the sides more or less pinched in before reaching the tip; compare with acute
- Acute:** pointed tip, tapering to the apex with the sides straight or nearly so; usually less tapering than acuminate; compare with acuminate
- Alternate :** only one leaf inserted at a node
- Ament :** same as catkin
- Anther :** the pollen-bearing part of the stamen
- Anthesis:** the time when the flower opens; more strictly the time during which pollination can take place
- Apex :** the growing point of any structure, same as tip
- Apical :** at the point of any structure, belonging to the tip
- Apiculate :** ending as an abrupt slender or tooth-like tip which is not stiff; compare with aristate
- Appendages :** an attached secondary part to a main structure
- Aristate :** with an awn or stiff bristle, usually at the apex; compare with apiculate
- Axil :** the angle formed by the upper side of a leaf and the stem arising from the axil
- Axillary :** arising from the axil
- Axis :** the main or central line of development of a plant or organ
- Beaked :** used for fruits ending in an elongated narrow tip
- Blade :** the expanded part of a leaf or petal
- Bole :** trunk of tree
- Buttress :** downward sloping radial projection from lower trunk of tree
- Calyx :** the outer envelopes of the flower, consisting of sepals, free or united
- Capitate :** in a globular or head-shaped cluster
- Capsule:** a dry dehiscent fruit made of more than 1 carpel (segment)
- Catkin :** a spike or spike-like of small, close growing flowers often

- shredding when mature, usually pendulous
inflorescence of unisexual flowers
- Club-shaped :** slender below and thickened on the upper end
- Clustered :** collected in a compact bunch
- Columnar :** shape like a column or pillar
- Compound :** having definite and distinct segments (2 or more leaflets) from the stem to the apex
- Cordate :** heart-shaped, as seen at the base of a deeply-notched leaf, connected at its broader end
- Corolla :** collection of petals
- Crown :** top portion of the tree consisting of leaves, branches and twigs
- Corymb:** a flat-topped or convex open inflorescence; technically a contracted raceme, can be compound, indeterminate type
- Cotyledon :** the embryo leaf in a seed, often functioning as the first leaf of a seedling
- Cryptoviviparous (cryproviviparity):**
seed germinated in the fruits but covered with their pericarp (fruit skin) before detaching from the parent tree
- Cyme :** a flower cluster, often convex or flat-topped, various shapes or degrees of branching but oldest flower is always at the end of the branch, determinate type
- Dehiscent :** opening spontaneously to release the seeds of the fruit
- Determinate :** inflorescence in which the oldest flower is at the end of the main axis with the younger flowers arising from below. The cyme is the only example of this type
- Dichotomous :** branching by repeated division into two equal parts
- Distal :** situated farthest from the place of attachment
- Ecosystem :** the complex of a biological community and its environment functioning as an ecological unit in nature, with exchange of matter and energy amongst members of the community and with the environment
- Elliptic (a) :** broadest at the middle, both ends rather equal, the

	length is at least twice the width
Emarginate :	with a shallow notch at the apex
Entire :	leaf with a continuous margin never toothed, notched or divided
Epidermis :	the outer layer of tissues
Exsert (ed) :	protruded beyond, as stamens beyond the tube of the corolla
Family :	a group of related genera
Female :	a flower or plant bearing only pistils
Filament :	any thread-like body; used especially for that part of the stamen that supports the anther
Fronde (fern) :	leaf of a fern
Fruit:	the matured ovary and all it contains
Genus (genera) :	a group of related species
Glabrous :	no hairs present; also used to mean smooth
Gland :	a secreting surface or structure, or an appendage having the general appearance and function of such an organ
Globose:	spherical or nearly so
Habit :	the general appearance/form of plant
Herb :	a plant with no persistent woody stem above ground; also a plant used in seasoning and medicine
Hypocotyl :	portion of seedling between stem and root; in some plants important for storage of starch and other reserve materials
Indeterminate :	inflorescence in which the youngest flower is always at the end of the main axis or in the center of the inflorescence; new flowers can continue developing at the tip. The panicle, spike, raceme, and umbel are the examples of this type
Inflorescence :	the arrangement of flowers on the floral axis; a flower-cluster
knee roots :	horizontal roots like bending knees above the ground, looping up and down with knob-like structure at the top
Lanceolate :	lance-shaped; several times longer than wide, broadest

	toward the base and tapering to apex
Latex :	the milky juice of some plants like <i>Excoecaria agallocha</i>
Leaflet :	one of the divisions of a compound leaf
Lenticel :	pocket of corky cells on woody stem or root allowing exchange of gases between interior of plant and atmosphere
Lobe :	any segment of an organ especially if rounded
Leathery :	tough and leather-like
Male :	flowers having stamens but no pistil
Midrib :	the middle rib or vein of a leaf
Mucro (nate) :	a short, small abrupt tooth-like tip; loosely used but not very sharp at extreme apex
Node :	the point on the stem or branch at which a leaf or lateral branch arises
Oblique :	slanting
Oblong :	shape that is two to four times longer than wide and the sides parallel or nearly so
Obovate :	egg-shaped in outline, attached at the narrow end, inverse of ovate
Opposite :	2 leaves inserted opposite to each other on the stem
Oval :	loosely used for a broadly elliptical shape, the width over 1/2 the length; some authors have used it as the same as ovate;
Ovary :	female organ of flower, situated in center of the flower and developing into the fruit containing seeds
Ovate :	egg-shaped in outline, attached at the wide end
Ovoid :	a 3-dimensional figure, ovate in outline
Panicle :	a compound inflorescence with the younger flowers at the apex or center; a compound raceme or corymb, comprising spike or raceme, etc. indeterminate type
Pedicel :	stalk of each individual flower of an inflorescence
Peduncle :	the stalk of a solitary flower or of an inflorescence; compare pedicel
Peduncle :	a flower stalk
Perennial :	a plant lasting for 3 or more years; a stem not dying

	back over the dry season
Persistent :	remaining beyond the period when such parts commonly fall
Pericarp :	the wall of the ripened ovary and therefore the wall of the fruit
Petal :	one of the individual parts of the corolla, used particularly for a polypetalous corolla in designating one unit
Petiole :	the stalk of a leaf blade or of a compound leaf
Petiole :	stalk of leaf
Phenology :	the complex annual course of flushing, quiescence, flowering, fruiting and leaf fall in a given environment
Pinnate :	a compound leaf in which the leaflets are arranged along the sides of a common petiole
Pistil :	the seed-producing organ, consisting usually of ovary, style and stigma
Plank roots :	horizontal ribbon-like roots that elaborate above the ground, undulating and winding laterally like a snake
Pneumatophore :	pencil-like or conical roots protruding upward from horizontal root extensions
Raceme :	an inflorescence with pedicelled flowers borne along a more or less elongated axis with the younger flowers nearest the apex, indeterminate type
Racemose :	raceme-like or bearing racemes
Radicle :	the rudimentary root formed within the seed
Reflexed :	bent outward or backward
Russet :	purple tinted brown
Schizocarp :	a dry fruit of 2 or more carpels, splitting up at maturity into 2 or more one seeded, indehiscent segments
Sepal :	a division of calyx, outermost part of flower; usually green
Sessile :	without any stalk
Shrub :	a woody perennial plant smaller than a tree and usually with several basal stems, less than 4 to 5 m in height

- Simple (leaf) :** only one definite segment present between the stem and the end of the blade, although sometimes lobed or toothed.
- Solitary :** single
- Species :** a term for all the individuals of one kind
- Spherical :** globose, a 3-dimensional solid, round in outline, like the earth
- Spike :** an inflorescence with the flowers sessile on a more or less elongated axis with the younger flowers at the apex, indeterminate type. Here including dense, capitate-like type
- Spore (fern) :** reproductive body of lower plants, usually single cell
- Stalk :** the stem, petiole, peduncle etc.
- Stamen :** male organ of flower, consisting of filament (stalk) and anther containing pollen
- Stem :** the main trunk of a plant
- Sterile :** infertile and unproductive, as a flower without a pistil, a stamen without an anther or a leafy shoot without flowers
- Stigma :** sticky or feathery area above ovary, receiving pollen at pollination
- Stilt-root :** looping aerial roots exposed to the air, arising from the trunk and lower branches and extending outward and downward into the soil
- Stipule :** leafy outgrowth, often paired, arising at the base of the leaf stalk
- Style :** the usually stalk-like part of a pistil connecting the ovary and stigma
- Substrate :** material in or on which plant is growing, e.g., soil, rock,

- sand
- Terminal :** borne at or arising from the end or apex of the stem
- Tessellate :** checkered, mosaic-like
- Tree :** a woody plant exceeding 5 to 6 m in height with a distinct trunk
- Umbel :** inflorescence of stalked flowers all arising from same point, indeterminate type
- Unisexual :** of one sex, having either stamens or pistils, not both
- Viviparous (viviparity):**
germinating or sprouting from seed or bud in the fruit and protruding and expanding hypocotyl of seedling from fruit while attached to the parent plant
- Warted (warty) :** covered with firm roundish excrescences on the stem / fruits

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