

Scaevola taccada Roxb.

Synonyms : *Scaevola frutescens*. *S. koenigii*

Family : Goodeniaceae

Parts Used : Fruit , Leaf, Bark, Stem

Vernacular Names

English : Fan flower

Malayalam : Bhadraksham

Tamil : Vellamuttagam



Distribution and habitat: Throughout West coast, near the sea and India.

Botany: A shrub with stem and branches stout.

• **Leaves** : Large band fleshy, 7.5-12.5 cm, alternate, silky or glabrous, tufted in the axils.

• **Flowers** : White in colour, cymes axillary, much shorter than the leaves; bracts small. Corolla-tube narrow, pubescent; lobes lanceolate. Indusium of the stigmacellular.

• **Drupe**: sub-spherical, very succulent.

Uses: Sore eyes, anti tumour, carminative, anti- inflammatory, tuberculosis etc

