Acacia catechu (L.) Willd.



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Common/Local Name (s): Khair, Khadir, Black Catechu.

Family: Fabaceae.

Botanical Description:

Deciduous, moderate-sized, thorny tree, with dark grey bark, exfoliating in long, narrow strips, and branches that are round and simple. Leaves are pinnate, alternate, having numerous leaflets, spine straight or hooked; flowers are small, sessile, and solitary or in a group, white to yellow, in circular bunches; fruit is a pod, beaked at the apex; pods are thin, flat, and have 5-10 seeds.

Flowering/Fruiting: May-December.

Part Used: Bark, Heartwood, Flower, Extract (Katha).

Cultivation: Wild and cultivated.

Longitude: 76°39'40"E. **Latitude:** 31°39'59" N.

Altitude: 894m.

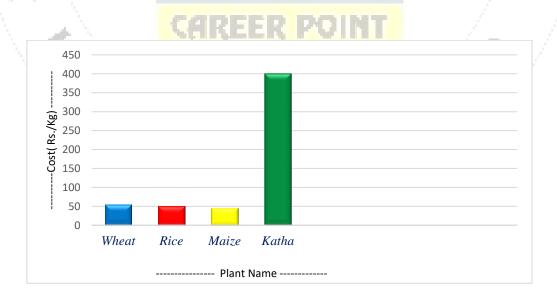


Fig. 4.1 Economic potential of *Acacia catechu* in comparison to conventional crops.