62. Mucuna pruriens (L) DC



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Common/Local Name (s): Daryogal. Kaunch Beej, Velvet bean.

Family: Fabaceae.

Botanical Description:

Annual, long vine, climbing herb, long cylindrical branches, leaves are green, alternate, long petiolated, ovate to rhomboid shaped, flowers in axil, many, whitish to purple, fruit is a pod, curved, covered with white-creamish, loose hairs, seeds 4-6 in a pod, shiny, black but having white spots, separated by thin cellular partitions, hilum is oblong in shape and is large.

Flowering/ Fruiting: July-September/October-November.

Part Used: Seeds. Cultivation: Wild. Longitude: 76°36'01"E. Latitude: 31°37'43"N.

Altitude: 866m.

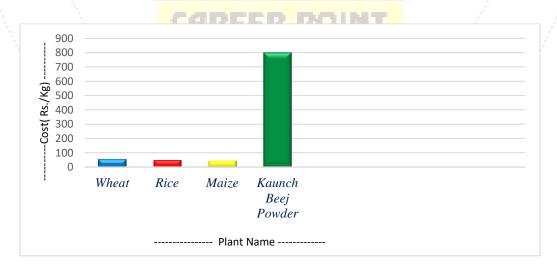


Fig. 4.69 Economic potential of *Mucuna pruriens* in comparison to conventional crops