

# ***Tamarindus indica***

**Family – Fabaceae**

**Genus – *Tamarindus***

**Species – *T. indica***

**Habit – Tree**

**Common names- Indian dates, Amlika, Imli.**

**Location- M.G.V.C. Arts, Commerce, And Science college, Muddebihal.**



*Tamarindus indica*, or tamarind, is a tropical evergreen tree often reaching heights of 40-60 feet, tamarind is now widely cultivated and even naturalized in many tropical and subtropical regions globally. The tree typically has a thick, sturdy trunk topped with a broad, spreading canopy of branches. Its leaves are compound, pinnate, with green leaflets that give a soft, feathery appearance. In summer, tamarind trees produce delicate flowers with red-veined cream to pale yellow petals, clustered in drooping racemes. These flowers are modest in appearance, fruit is brown, bean-shaped pods inside the pods, there's a tangy, sweet-sour pulp that is edible and widely used in cooking. While the tree's leaves remain evergreen, some shedding may occur during dry seasons in areas with seasonal drought. The tree's small, 3-petaled flowers. the flowers give way to the characteristic bean-like pods. These pods are cultivated commercially, the pulp is used extensively in various dishes Beyond culinary uses, various parts of the tamarind tree have traditional medicinal applications.