Flowering Tree

***Hydnocarpus pentandrus* (Buch.-Ham.) Oken (Common Name: Chaulmugra)** of the family Flacourtiaceae is a large size evergreen tree of semi-evergreen and moist deciduous forests of Western Ghats. Leaves are simple, alternate and oblong. Flowers are unisexual, solitary or in clusters and whitish. Stamens and ovary are hairy and stigma lobed. Fruit 5–10 cm across, globose, hard and brown in colour. Flowering: February–May.

Seeds yield an oil used in the treatment of skin diseases.

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