



Cassia fistula, L.



Family: Leguminosae (Sub family: Caesalpinioideae)

Local name: Kanikonna, Golen Shower, Indian laburnum

Key Characters: Deciduous tree with dark grey wood. Leaves with paripinnate, alternate, leaflets opposite, ovate, margin entire, pulvinate. Flowers bisexual yellow in axillary drooping racemes. Fruit a pod.

Uses: A road side plantation due its beautiful yellow shower flowers. Wood used for agricultural implements. Bark used for tanning & dyeing. Pulp used for chest & heart disease; and is also a mild laxative.