

AZADIRACHTA

INDICA A. JUSS

Azadirachta indica A. Juss also known as Indian lilac, lilac tree, margosa or neem is native to parts of Bangladesh, India, Malaysia and Myanmar.



Azadirachta indica A. Juss was first introduced for the purpose of fuelwood, shade and ornament, erosion control, and restoration purposes.

A. indica A. Juss is invasive and grows alongside coastal forests, forest edges/gaps, disturbed areas, urban open spaces, pasture, savannah, and roadsides.



It has the ability to form dense stands, displacing native plant species.

Azadirachta indica A. Juss currently poses a threat to dry coastal forests like Ghana's endangered forest, where its displacing trees like *Talbotiella gentii*.



Azadirachta indica A. Juss is currently present in Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, and St Vincent and the Grenadines; naturalized on St Lucia; and invasive in Antigua and Barbuda, and St Kitts and Nevis.