#### **Species Management Plan for** *Cinnamomum capparu-coronde* Blume

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#### **Outline of Presentation**

- Introduction
- Status of Forest Genetic Resources in Sri Lanka
- Habit and habitat of *Cinnamomum capparu-coronde*
- Management Strategy and Development of Species Management Plan
- Conclusion & Recommendations



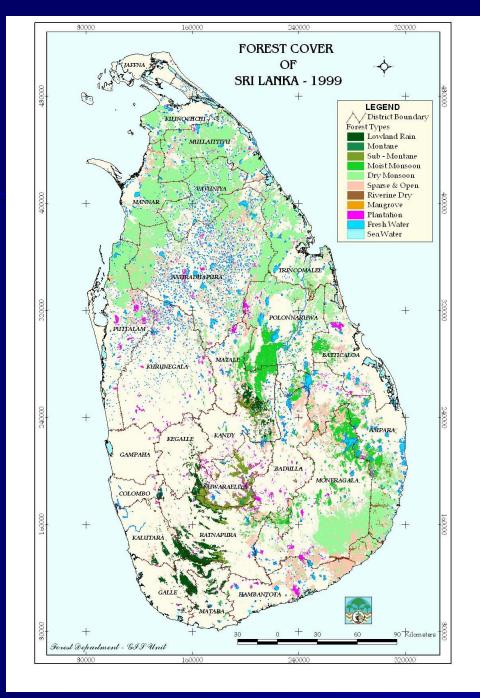
#### **Forest Genetic Resources in Sri Lanka**

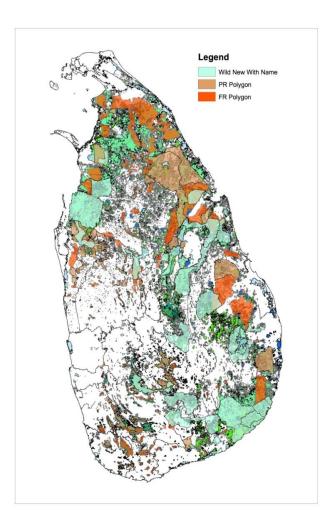
			(% Endemism)
Flowering Plants	-	3771	26%
Pteridophyta (Ferns)	_	348	57%
Mosses	-	566	
Liverworts	-	222	
Algae	-	896	
Fungi	-	1920	
Lichens	-	661	

(Source : The 2007 Red list of threatened Fauna and Flora of Sri Lanka)

### Different Habitats of Forest Genetic Resources in Sri Lanka (GIS DATA 1999)

Forest Type	Extent (ha.)	% of Land Area
Montane	3,099	0.05
Sub Montane	65,792	1.00
Lowland Rain	124,340	1.90
Moist Monsoon	221,977	3.38
Dry Monsoon	1,027,544	15.66
Riverine Dry	18,352	0.28
Mangrooves	9,530	0.15
Sparse Forest	471,583	7.19
Forest Plantations	96,250	1.40
TOTAL	2,037,469	31.05





#### **Administration of FGR**

Agency	Ext (ha)	% Total Land
Forest Department	1,192,370	17.6
Dept of wildLife Conservation	845,099	12.4

## National Forestry Policy Objectives

- To conserve forests for posterity with particular regard to biodiversity, soils, water, and historical, cultural, religious, and aesthetic values
- To increase the tree cover and productivity of the forests to meet the needs of present and future generations for forest products and services
- To enhance the contribution of forestry to the welfare of the rural population, and strengthen the national economy, with special attention paid to equity in economic development

## **Protection of Sri Lankan FGR -Legislation**

- Forest Ordinance
- National Heritage & Wilderness Area Act
- Flora & Fauna Protection Ordinance
- National Environmental Act
- Soil Conservation Act
- Plant Protection Act

## **Crop Wild Relatives and FGR Conservation**

## Different Cinnamon Species found in Sri Lanka

#### Cinnamomum capparu-coronde Blume

Family: Lauraceae Genus: *Cinnamomum* Species: *capparu-coronde* 

Vernacular Names: Kapuru Kurundu (S) Camphor Cinnamon (E)

## Habit



## A twig and bark



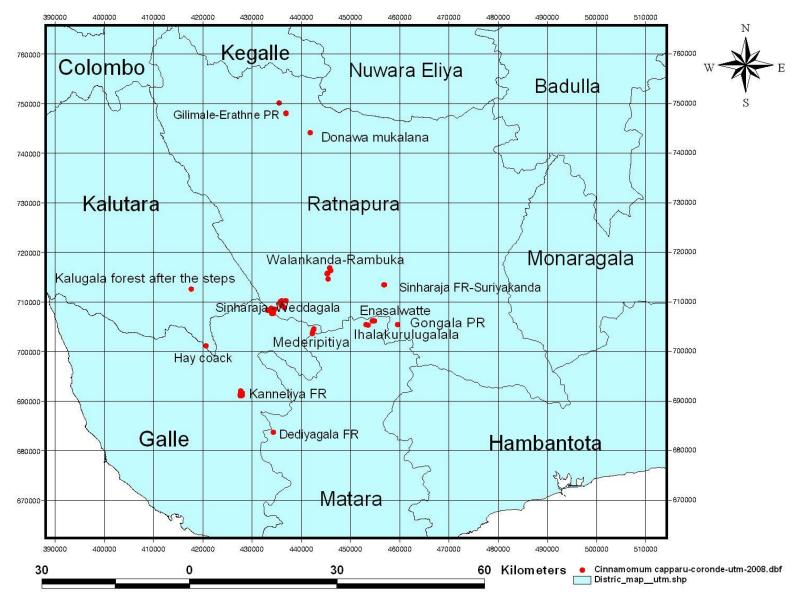


## A Leaf and a flower





## **Habitat Distribution**



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Sinharaja World Heritage\* Kanneliya Biosphere Reserve\* Walankanda FR\* **Gilimale-Erathne FR** Haycock Donawa Mukalana Ihalakurulugala **Enasalwatte** Silverkanda Gongala Kalugala Dediyagala

### Formulation of Management Strategy



## **Species based Approach :** (target species/candidate species/priority species)

to protect, manage and monitor the selected populations in their natural habitats so that the natural evolutionary process can be maintained, thus allowing new variation to be generated in the gene pool that will allow the species to adopt to gradual changes in environmental conditions such as global warming, changed rainfall patterns or acid rain

**Species based Approach :** (target species/candidate species/priority species)

Largely concerned for two categories of species:

- 1. Nationally rare or endangered native species- irrespective of their actual or potential use
- 2. Economically important species
  - Crop wild relatives
  - forestry tree species
  - medicinal and aromatic plants

 Ensuring continuous access to the populations for research and availability of germplasm

e.g. native species of important plantation species

Ensuring continuous access to or availability of materials that are exploited by local people

e.g. rubber and medicinal plants

#### Selection for yield potential

e.g. forest trees, fruit or nut producing trees

Species which can not be established or regenerated outside their natural habitats

e.g. species dependent on specific pollinators etc.

Some degree of conservation of associated species **Species Management Plan has to address....** 

Biological issues

- Present and Future threats for existence
- Socio-economical importance of species
- Research and education
- Institutional Strengthening

Species Management Plan for *Cinnamomum capparu-coronde* 

Main Activities:

- Study on Floral Biology and Population Dynamics
- Study on Potential Uses
- Germplasm collection and Ex-situ Conservation
- Domestication and Cultivation
- Research on Tree Improvement

Participation of Local Communities in Conservation of *Cinnamomum Capparu-coronde* 

Establishing, maintaining & managing tree resources on none forest lands – Ex-situ Conservation

Protecting & managing buffer zones of protected areas in order to conserve the wild populations – In-situ Conservation

**Community Participation in Implementation of Species Management Plan** 

Ex-situ Conservation (Direct Participation)

- Cultivation in Homegardens
- Planting in non-forest areas

In-situ Conservation (Indirect Participation)

- Ecosystem Approach Habitat management
- Species based Approach Threatened species

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