



## *Flowering Trees*



*Albizzia odoratissima* (L.f.) Bth. (Hindi: *Kala siris* or *Chinchva*) of Leguminosae is a large evergreen tree with a straight trunk and dark colour bark. Leaves are compound with several leaflets per leaf. Flowers are small, bisexual and are aggregated into a compact bunch, the head inflorescence. Several such inflorescences appear in groups at branch ends. Stamens are many in a flower with long filaments, which are of the same colour (white) as flowers. Pods are 10-20 cm long, thin and brownish.