



**BOTANICAL NAME –**  
*Millingtonia hortensis*

**ENGLISH NAME –** cork  
tree, tree jasmine

**HINDI NAME-** akash  
neem, neem chameli

**FAMILY-** Bignoniacea

### **DESCRIPTION :**

- ❖ Medium sizes tree, deciduous.
- ❖ Bark thick, corky, yellowish grey, cracked and furrowed.
- ❖ Leaves twice and three times feathered, 25 40 cm long; 3 to 5 pairs of side – stalks, the lowest pair often forking into more sub-stalks; leaflets 2 3 pairs plus a terminal; 2.5-5 cm long, smooth, pointy.
- ❖ Flowers fragrant, in terminal clusters; flower 5-8cm long, with a pure white, long, slender tube widening into a short funnel-shaped mouth.
- ❖ Fruit a narrow capsule about 35 cm long, flattened.

### **USES :**

- ❖ The tree is considered ornamental and the pleasant fragrance of the flowers renders it ideal as a garden tree.
- ❖ The wood is also used as timber and the bark is used as an inferior substitute for cork.
- ❖ The leaves are also used as a cheap substitute for tobacco in cigarettes