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IMPORTANCE OF FAN- PALM TREE IN AFORESTATION

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Extended Summary

The role of fan-palm tree in the protection of cyclone and wind storm is unknown to us. After the incidence of cyclone devastation, many fan-palm trees remained standing being not subjected to be damaged. The unaffected fan-palm trees are found along with the damaged many other trees and dwelling houses. Besides this, fan-palm can be used as substitute of sugar and fuels evolved from the juice of fan-palm at a very low cost compared to that of sugar cane and petroleum oils.

Due to indiscriminate deforestation, felling of trees, influx of CO₂ in the atmosphere and rising of global atmospheric temperature there is frequent happening of cyclones, storms and flood in Bangladesh. So the massive cultivation of fan-palm trees in the coastal belt, road sides, homestead garden and in crop fields may render a great help in lessening the damage caused by natural disaster as well as to redress the sufferings of poor peasants in Bangladesh.



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