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## **ENUMERATION OF LICHEN SPECIES ON SOME NATIVE AND INTRODUCED SPECIES IN AMARKANTAK FORESTS**

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**ABSTRACT :** The status of lichen colonization on some native plant tree species and introduced tree species in Amarkantak has been studied. A total of 22 lichen species belonging to 9 families have been recorded. *Shorea robusta* showed the maximum growth of lichen followed by *Pinus caribaea* and *Mallotus philippensis*. Amarkantak represent great lichen diversity due to the topography, climatic variations and high rainfall.

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