Indigenous

Tg: Anderguhila

Ecology: A tree of montane evergreen forests or margins or grassy

clearings; widespread in tropical Africa. In Eritrea it grows in wooded areas of the central highlands, 1,800-2,600 m, e.g. in upper Anseba valley, around Embaderho, Afdeyu, Weki, Adi-

tekelezan, near Senate and at Adi-keih.

Uses: Firewood, medicine (seed against diarrhoea), roofing material. **Description:** A shrub or small tree 1-9 m. Young shoots, branchlets and leaves

A shrub or small tree 1-9 m. Young shoots, branchlets and leaves covered with red-brown hairs. BARK: Older stems smooth greybrown, young stems with rusty brown hairs. LEAVES: Crowded at the ends of branches, compound, on stalks 10-65 cm with 5-13 leaflets, each oval shiny green above, 3-18 cm, base one-sided, tip pointed, the edge rather wavy. FLOWERS: Small, cream-green, anthers pale yellow along spikes 12-35 cm beside leaves, the thick stalk with rusty brown hairs. Male and female flowers. FRUIT: Oval, green when young and fleshy, red when

ripe, about 1 cm, with one hard seed inside. Seedlings, wildings, direct sowing at site.

Propagation:

Seeds:

treatment: None.

storage: Can be stored up to a year at room temperature.

Management:

Remark:

