



**HANDLING SEED OF *TERMINALIA SUPERBA*
(OFRAM)**

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Temporary storage

Seeds can be stored for several years at room temperature without significant loss of viability, if they are well dried and packed in polyethylene bag or any airtight container. However, it is recommended to sow the seeds within two years of receipt.

Treatment before sowing

Seeds should be soaked in cold water 2 days before sowing.

Sowing

A space about 1 cm should be left between the seeds. This will give a sowing density of 10,000 seeds per m² of seedbed. This is approximately 0.6kg of seed per m² of seedbed. Seeds should be covered with thin layer of sand.

Germination

Germination starts after 2 weeks and 60% attained after 4 weeks from sowing day.

One kg contains 6,000 seeds and may produce 3,600 seedlings under ideal conditions. However, in many cases only 3,000 seedlings per kg of seed will be produced. Transplanting into pots can take place when the seedlings have attained 0.5 cm.

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