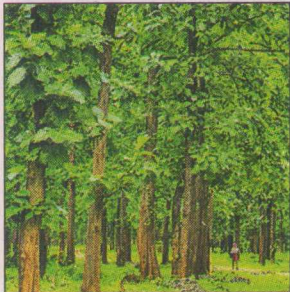


# First for forest produce, GI tag for Nilambur teak

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**N**ilambur teak — famous for its size, superior colour and durability — has received geographical indication (GI) tag. The Kerala Agricultural University has received a communication in this regard from GI Registry, Chennai.

Prof C R Elsy of IPR cell, KAU said it is for the first time that a forest produce is getting GI tag across the globe. “It will help us protect Nilambur teak. There are about 10,000 people dependent on it to make a living, and the tag will fetch them good revenue as it will block the sale of fake



Nilambur teak is famous for its size, superior colour and durability

products,” Abdullakutty of Nilambur Teak Heritage Society said.

The use of Nilambur teak for ship building and structural purposes has earned it a global reputation. **P6**

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