**Diploglottis obovata** S.T. Reynolds

**Family:** Sapindaceae


**Common name:**
Blunt-leaved Tamarind

**Stem**
Tree to 8 metres, often spreading; buds and young stems densely hairy with rusty-brown simple hairs; stems becoming glabrous; stipules absent.

**Leaves**
Pinnate, alternate, 150 - 300mm; terminal leaflet absent; petiole 20 - 60mm; leaflets 4 - 6, opposite or alternate; lamina obovate to elliptic, 40 - 165mm by 35 - 70mm, entire; pinnately veined with 16 - 20 main laterals either side of midrib, impressed and distinct above, raised and prominent below; upper-surface glabrous; under-surface with simple hairs along midrib and lateral veins; petiolules 3 - 10mm; apex obtuse to rounded; base truncate or obtuse.

**Flowers**
Inflorescence thyrsoidal, 75 - 190mm long, in upper axils; flowers white to yellow or green, 4 - 5mm in diameter, functionally unisexual (but appearing bisexual); plants monoecious, male and female flowers on the same inflorescence; pedicels 2 - 3mm; sepals 4 or 5, 3.5mm long, finely hairy outside, fused at base, lobes 2 - 3mm by 1 - 1.5mm; petals white, 5, 2.5 - 3mm long; male flowers with 6 - 8 stamens strongly exserted on one side of flower and a rudimentary ovary; female flowers with 6 - 8 staminodes and a 3-locular, superior ovary.

**Fruit**
Dry, an obovoid capsule, 14 - 22mm long, 2-3-lobed, yellow to brown; seed 1 per lobe, brown; aril fleshy, orange or red, nearly covering seed.

**Seedlings**
Features not available.

**Distribution and Ecology**
Endemic to CEQ. Altitudinal range from 40 to 800 m. Usually grows in vine forest on creek banks.

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