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**CULTIVATED PLANTS OF IRAQ AND THEIR IMPORTANCE**

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'Cultivated Plants of Iraq and their importance' is a welcome addition to the knowledge of the cultivated plants of Iraq. Almost 700 species of plants, with their distribution, have been dealt with in the book. The species are arranged according to the families. English and local names in Arabic, Kurdish and Turkish languages have been provided which would help persons who are not familiar with the scientific names. Under each species an 'importance code' is given which can be decoded by consulting the 'Importance index'. The uses are dealt with under 19 heads and under each head there are lists of specific uses for which the plants or the plant parts can be used. For further information references are also given.

Students, teachers, research workers, agriculturists and foresters of this area can be grateful to the authors for writing this book. The binding of the book, however, is poor.

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