

PRELIMINARY NUTRITIVE EVALUATION OF THE
LEAVES OF SOME TREES AND
SHRUBS FROM BATTICALOA DISTRICT

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Leaves of native trees and shrubs provide a valuable source of fodder to the goat production systems in Eastern Sri Lanka, particularly during the dry season. Samples of twenty such leaves, identified as important feed resources during a goat production survey, were collected during 1987/88 and analysed for the proximate composition, in vitro organic matter