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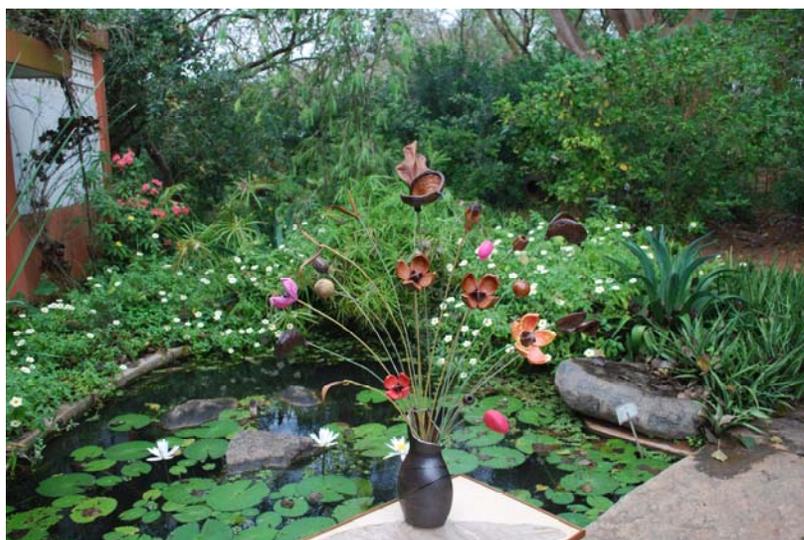
### Newsletter — Spring 2011

*Le printemps*, spring, is here. Delicate new leaves have emerged on myriad trees, and blossoms are bursting into jubilated celebration as if in wonder of this beloved season.

To further highlight the marvels of nature, we present to you a new line of items in our **Beejika** range. It is our endeavour to showcase the unparalleled beauty which quietly exists unnoticed in our land and forests, and our effort to protect and preserve it from wanton destruction.

#### **Beejika: Gifts of Nature, decorative flowers**

From Auroville's forests, we collect and transform the astounding seedpods of various trees — *Sterculia Foetida* (tropical chestnut), *Khaya senegalensis* (Senegal mahogany), *Swietenia mahogany*, *Saraca asoka/indica* (Ashoka tree), *Eucalyptus* (Gum tree) - into lasting objects of beauty, to adorn any interior or gift to a loved one as an enduring bouquet.



## Beejika: Gifts of Nature, the *belle* door bell

A unique gift and an unusual way of announcing ones arrival! Do away with your electric doorbell and instead use this quaint and charming means of summoning. Or use as a pretty decoration. Both the seedpod and black seeds are from the *Sterculia foetida* tree (also known as the tropical chestnut). This deciduous tree grows up to 40m height with branches spreading horizontally and scarlet flowers in many panicles; it has distinctive curved cup-shaped seedpods.



## Lampshades

Shradhanjali further explores new designs and styles in innovative hanging and table model lampshades, using lokta, or glassine paper.

### ***Shweta kamal, Shweta neem* - The white on white theme.**

The lotus flower and the neem leaf are explored in this range of delicate painting combined with real leaves, creating the impression of shaded tints of white and grey, which transforms when lit up with a bulb into a new image.



### ***Rangeen Kamal, Rangeen Neem***

The same theme is here explored in colour, giving rise to a totally new appearance



### **Cute table lampshades**

These little pocket edition cube table lampshades are ideal for a small table or corner. Available in assorted floral designs.



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