## Mulaka Pachadi (Green Chillies in Tamarind & Jaggery sauce)

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**Mulaka Pachadi** is a very new dish to me. It is something similar to **Puliyinji** and is well known in **Northern Kerala**. It is made by simmering **green** chillies in jaggery and tamarind sauce but uses less ginger and more chillies when compared to Puliyinji.



## Ingredients

- 1. Small Green Chillies (sliced into thin pieces) about 50 nos.
- 2. Minced Ginger 3 or 4 tbsp
- 3. Jaggery 5 or 6 small chunks
- 4. Ghee 2 tbsp
- 5. Mustard Seeds 1/4 tsp
- 6. Curry Laves A sprig
- 7. Tamarind Lemon sized ball
- 8. Salt to taste
- 9. Water as needed

## **Preparation Method**

- 1. Dissolve the tamarind in 1 cup of warm water and extract the juice.
- 2. Heat 1 cup of water in a pan and add the jaggery pieces. Stir continuously till it melts and forms a syrup.
- 3. Filter the syrup for any particles and keep aside.
- 4. Heat 2 tbsp ghee in a non stick pan and fry the green chillies for 2 minutes.

- 5. Add the grated ginger pieces and continue frying for a few more minutes till the ginger gets a light brown color.
- 6. Drain the ginger and green chillies and keep aside.
- 7. To the same pan, splutter mustard seeds and add curry leaves.
- 8. Add the fried ginger and green chillies.
- 9. Add tamarind juice along with salt and bring to a slow boil.
- 10. Next, add the jaggery syrup and continue boiling for 10-15 minutes till desired consistency is attained.
- 11. Do a taste test, and add more jaggery or tamarind juice as needed.
- 12. If you like your Mulaka Pachadi to be thick, then you will have to boil it for around 20-30 minutes.