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- II Present and possible uses of shrubs
- III Genetic potential
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- VI Nutritive quality
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- VIII The future of shrubs in arid lands

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