



Himachal Pradesh State Biodiversity Board

**o/o H.P. State Council for Science Technology and Environment,
34-SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla-9**

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- 2014.

To

Ms. M. Kannamma
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National Biodiversity Authority,
TICEL Bio Park, 5th Floor, Taramani Road,
Taramani, Chennai-600113, Tamil Nadu, India

Sub: Report on activities of SBB for inclusion in NBA Annual Report 2013-14.

Madam,

This is with reference to your office letter No. NBA/Tech-Gen/22/134/14/14-15/786 dated 18.06. 2014 on the subject mentioned above.

In this regard please find enclosed herewith a report on the activities of the H.P. State Biodiversity Board in prescribed format during the financial year 2013-14 which is being sent for further necessary action at your end please.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Hemant Gupta, IFS)
Joint Member Secretary
H.P. State Biodiversity Board

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**ACTIVITIES OF THE H.P. STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD
DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2013-14**

Sr. No.	INFORMATION REQUIRED ON ITEMS/ACTIVITIES	DETAILS	
1.	Name of the State Biodiversity Board (SBB)	HP State Biodiversity Board	
2.	Details of Incumbents of the following posts during 2013-14 (Name, Designation & tenure etc. & Postal Address along with Phone No's/e-mail/fax		
2A	Chairperson(s)	Sh. P.Mitra, IAS Chairman, HP State Biodiversity Board, State Council for Science Technology and Environment, 34-SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla-9 Phone No. 0177-2621022, Fax. 0177-2621813	
2B	Member Secretary	Dr. S.S. Negi, IFS Member Secretary, H.P. State Biodiversity Board, State Council for Science Technology and Environment, 34-SDA Complex, Kasumpti, Shimla-9 Phone No. 0177-2621992, 2620559, Fax. 0177-2620998	
3.	Statutory developments during the year (details of notifications/ rules/ orders issued).	Nil	
4.	No. of Board Meetings conducted with date of each meeting during 2013-14	Nil	
5.	Budget and Expenditure of SBB (with concise head wise details) (2013-14)	Budget Head	Expenditure in Lacs
		Implementation of Biological	Rs. 6,18,996/-

		Diversity ACT, 2002 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness generation about Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004 organised • International Biodiversity Day celebrated • Biodiversity Management Committees constituted • Interaction meetings with BMCs organised • Draft PBR Prepared • Miscellaneous expenses 				
		UNEP-GEF- MOEF Project				Rs. 29,92,122/-
6.	Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS)	Name of the Sites notified and their details (enclose copy of notification)				No. of sites identified (yet to be notified and their details)
		Nil				6
7.	Number of BMCs constituted	Village / Panchayat level	Block/ Taluk / Mondal level	Nagar Palika / Municipality level	Zila Parishad / Panchayat level	
7A	No. of BMCs at the beginning of the year as on 1 st April 2013	17			Nil	
7B	Formed during the year (2013-14)	89			Nil	
7C	No. of BMCs at the end of the financial year as on 31 st	106			Nil	

	March 2014				
8.	No. of PBRs at the beginning of the year as on 1 st April, 2014	1 (Draft)			
8A	Documented during the year (2013-14)	2 (Draft)			
8B	No. of PBRs at the end of the year as on 31 st March, 2014	3 (Draft)			
9.	Details of films, posters/ brochures prepared on Biodiversity of the State by SBB during 2013-14 (If so, please enclose photographs)	Nil			
10.	Details of legal action taken against any offenders(s) under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, if any	Nil			
10A	Litigation/ Court cases/ Offences (Please mention details in brief)	Nil			
10B	Conducting preliminary enquiry to establish prima-facie an offence (Please mention details in brief)				
11.	Activities of the State Biodiversity Board under	Approved (No. of application)	Rejected/ prohibited	Under Processing	
i.	Under Sec. 23(B) of the Act- grant of approval for commercial utilization or bio-survey and bio-utilization	2	1		
ii.	Under Sec.24(1) Prior intimation received from Indians, Indian	-	-		

	companies/Organizations/ Association			
12.	<p>Details of Celebrations/Awareness Programmes/ Training Programmes carried out by the SBB during 2013-14 (photos if any may be enclosed</p>	<p>During the financial year 2013-14 the H.P. State Biodiversity Board carried out the following activities for implementation of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 in the State:</p> <p>1. Awareness campaign for implementation of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 in the State</p> <p>Organized five one day awareness workshops regarding Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004 among the stakeholders of biodiversity</p> <p>at Development Block Nadaun, District Hamirpur (01-09-2014), Development Block Rait, District Kangra (28-1-2014), Development Block Chauntara, District Mandi (19.03.2014), Development Block Narkanda, District Shimla (22-03-2014) and Development Block Rohru, District Shimla (29-03-2014).</p> <p>Participants were exposed to the term biodiversity, its importance, threats to biodiversity, conservation and management needs. The participants were</p>	 	

exposed to the provisions of Biological Diversity, 2002 in general and regarding constitution of Biodiversity Management Committees at every local body/Panchayat and about Biodiversity Register in particular for regulation of the access, conservation and management of the biological resources and sharing of benefits accruing out of the use of biological resources and traditional knowledge on equity and gender basis in the State. Discussions were held with the participating stakeholders after each lectures delivered by the Resource Person. 500 stakeholders of biodiversity were aware about the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules, 2004.

2.INTERACTION MEETING WITH BIODIVERSTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES ORGANISED

- The HPSBB organized interaction meetings about Biological Diversity Act,2002 and Rules, 2004 for representatives of the Panchayat and BMC members of Gram Panchayat Toong, Tehsil Banjar, Distt. Kullu, H.P (September, 2013) and representatives of the PRIs and officials of the stakeholder departments of Development Blocks of Bharmour (October, 2013) and Pangi, at Killar in District Chamba, H.P. (November, 2013)



3.INTERNATIONAL BIODIVERSITY DAY CELEBRATED

- The State level function for celebration of International Biodiversity Day on 22nd May, 2013 was organized at Shimla with the collaboration of Education Department, H.P in which approximate 600 students and teachers of local and adjoining schools of Shimla town participated and various activities namely Popular lectures on “Biodiversity of H.P” by Prof. Emeritus Dr. T.N. Lakhanpal, Ex. Chairman, Bio-Sciences Department, HPU, Summer Hill, Shimla and “Flora of Shimla and around Shimla” by Dr. Anil Thakur, Assistant Professor, Govt .P.G College, Solan, H.P ” were delivered. Painting competition, quiz competition on the theme “Water and Biodiversity” were organized by the H.P State Biodiversity Board.





- Organized International Biodiversity Day on 20th May, 2013 through Doordarshan and All India Radio by holding live discussion on the theme “Water and Biodiversity” of experts namely Dr. J.C.Rana, NBPGR, Phagli, Shimla, Dr. Y.P. Sharma, IARI, Shimla, and Dr. Hemant Gupta, Joint Member Secretary, State Council for Science Technology and Environment, H.P.
- Celebrated International Biodiversity Day at all District Headquarters of the State with the collaboration of Dept. of Education, H.P in which various activities namely lecture, discussion on Biodiversity, Rally, Debate, quiz, painting competition etc. were organized at every district Headquarter of the State.
- Eco-Clubs established by the State Council under National Green Corps programme also celebrated the day by organizing various activities namely Rallies, Debates, Essay writing, quiz and painting competitions etc. at their schools.

4. CONVERSION OF PINE NEDDLES BIOMASS INTO BRIQUETTES POPULARIZED

- One day awareness cum demonstration training cum demonstration on conversion of Pine needles biomass into Briquettes to

100 farmers/farmwomen was organized on 19th March, 2014 at Chauntara Block Distt. Mandi, H.P.

- Two days training for popularizing conversion of Pine needles biomass into Briquettes to fifteen farmers and farmwomen of the Blocks namely Balh, Gohar, Sundernagar, Chauntra, organised at



Technology Centre, Sundernagar on 25-26 March, 2014.

5. UNEP-GEF- MOEF Project:

Activities carried out under the Project are as follows:


- Two days Workshop on UNEP-GEF-MOEF Project with focus on Access and Benefit Sharing provisions and Biodiversity Management Committees organised with the collaboration of National Biodiversity Authority, GoI, at Chennai on 9-10 April, 2013 at Himachal Institute of Public Administration, Fairlawn, Mashobra, Shimla.



- Interactive meeting for Strengthening the implementation of Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Access & Benefit Sharing in Himachal Pradesh organised on 20th July, 2013.
- One day training on Biological Diversity Act, 2002: Role and functions of Biodiversity Management Committees in conservation and sustainable use of bio-resources, and Access & Benefit Sharing Provisions organised on 24 August, 2013 at Himachal Institute of Public Administration, Fairlawn, Mashobra, Shimla, H.P.
- Two days Orientation Programme for preparation of model PBR to the Biodiversity Management Committee of Gram Panchayat, Khatnol, Tehsil Sunni, District Shimla, H.P on September 3-4, 2013 organised.



**Orientation programme for preparation of model PBR at BMC
Khatnol, Shimla**

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State Level Workshop on Economic Valuation of Bio-resources for Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) organised on September 10-11, 2013 at Himalayan Forestry Research Institute, Panthaghatti, Shimla -9. • Workshop on implementation of Biological Diversity Act and Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) for Eco-club members and Gram Panchayat representatives of Kinnaur and Lahaul & Spiti Districts from September 18-20, 2013 organised at Rekong- Peo in District Kinnaur, H.P. • Interactive meeting with BMC members and local stakeholders for preparation of Model PBR organised on 21 October 21, 2013 at Dharmshala.  <p style="text-align: center;">PBR preparation at BMC Narwana Khas, Dhasamsala, Kangra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 37 village level interactive meetings with BMCs members and local stakeholders organized in different parts of the State under the Project.
13.	Details of any awards/ recognition/ appreciation received by the SBB during 2013-14: If so please furnish details	Nil
14.	Details of any awards instituted by the SBB and conferred on individuals/organizations during 2013-14 for	Nil

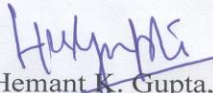
	conserving Biodiversity & related matters	
15.	Any other information	Nil

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15.	Any other information	Nil

Date 4 Aug, 2014


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