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Overview of the Board

Introduction:

Biodiversity refers to the variety of life forms at all levels of organization, from gene through species to higher taxonomic forms and includes the variety of ecosystems and habitats besides the processes occurring therein. Biodiversity is fundamental to the fulfillment of human needs - a biodiversity rich region offers wide options and opportunities for sustaining human welfare including adaptation to changes.

India is one of the 17 Mega biodiverse countries in the world (as per Conservation International 1998) and accounts for 7-8 % of the recorded species. North-eastern India in general and Assam in particular is a constituent unit of the Eastern Himalayan Biodiversity Region; one of the two biodiversity “Hot Spots” in the country. The State also falls in the transitional zone between the Indian, Indo-Malayan and Indo-Chinese Biogeographical regions. The climatic condition and wide variety of physical features witnessed in Assam have resulted in a diversity of ecological habitats such as forests, grasslands, wetlands, which harbour and sustain wide ranging flora and fauna. About 37.27% of State's geographical area is under green cover (as per India State of Forest Report 2015). The Protected Area Network of the State comprises of 5 National Parks and 20 Wildlife Sanctuaries. Besides, Assam has the distinction of having 2 UNESCO World Heritage sites (Manas and Kaziranga), 2 Biosphere Reserves (Dibru-Saikhowa and Manas), 4 Tiger Reserves (KNP, Manas, Nameri and Orang) and 5 Elephant Reserves.

Habitat degradation, loss of wild stock in association with loss of local traditional knowledge has caused rapid degradation of biological resources all over the globe. Growing concerns for depletion of biological diversity world-wide led to signing of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in 1992. This Convention

recognizes the sovereign rights of the states and local people over their biological resources. With this objective the Government of India enacted the Biological Diversity Act, in 2002. This Act provides for conservation of biological diversity, sustainable use of its components and fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of commercial use of these resources and associated traditional knowledge. At the country level, National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) oversees implementation of the Act. The State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) have been formed at State level and Biodiversity Management Committees (BMC) are constituted by the local bodies for decentralizing the implementation of the Act.

Assam State Biodiversity Board

The Assam State Biodiversity Board was constituted on 29th September 2010 to promote biodiversity conservation, regulate sustainable utilization and to facilitate equitable sharing of benefits arising out of commercial utilization of these resources and associated traditional knowledge.

Composition of the Board:

Chairperson:

The Chairperson of the Board is appointed by Government of Assam either on deputation from other services or from outside services. In case of deputation, the person shall be not below the rank of Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam. During the year 2017-18, Sri D. Mathur, IFS, PCCF-Assam and Sri V. K. Pipersenia, IAS, Chief Secretary to Govt. of Assam held the Chairmanship of the Board.

Member Secretary:

This position is held by a Forest Officer in charge of Biodiversity not below the rank of Chief Conservator of Forest. During the year 2017-18, Sri A. K. Johari, Special PCCF (Biodiversity & CC) held the position of the Member Secretary of the Board.

Ex-Officio Members:

1. Principal Secretary/ Commissioner and Secretary to the Government of Assam, Environment and Forest Department.
2. Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Assam, Agriculture Department.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Biodiversity & Climate Change.
4. The Director, Agriculture Department, Government of Assam.
5. The Director, Fisheries Department, Government of Assam.

It may be noted that Principal Secretary to the Government of Assam, E & F has been removed from the Ex-Officio members in the new Board reconstitution notification dated 28th June 2017.

Expert Members:

1. Dr. P. C. Bhattacharjee, (Retd) Professor, Department of Zoology, Gauhati University.
2. Dr. Ajit Kumar Das, Associate Professor, Department of Ecology and Environmental Science, Assam University, Silchar.
3. Mrs. Nirmali Medhi, Associate Professor & HoD, Department of Zoology, Handique Girls College, Guwahati
4. Dr. Bijoy Neog, Professor & HoD, Department of Life Sciences, Dibrugarh University
5. Shri Bibhab Kumar Talukdar, CEO, Aaranyak, Guwahati.

It may be noted that four Expert members namely Professor Anil Kr. Goswami, Shri R. C. Goswami, Dr. Sarat Borkotoky and Dr. Aparajita De have been replaced in the new Board reconstitution notification dated 28th June 2017.

Special Invitees:

1. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Assam, Finance Department.
2. The Commissioner and Secretary to the Government of Assam, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Department.

Permanent Invitees:

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forests Force-Assam;
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Assam;
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wetlands) and
4. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Research Education & Working Plans), Assam.

Functions of the Assam State Biodiversity Board:

The Board have mainly the following three functions:

1. **Regulatory:** Regulate access to biological resources for research and commercial purposes.
2. **Facilitory:** Facilitate conservation and sustainable uses of biological resources.
3. **Advisory:** Advise the government in formulating policies concerning conservation of biological diversity, wise-use and benefit sharing options arising out of commercial utilization and provide support through interventions whenever required.

Mandate of the Board:

1. Generate Awareness among local people about the Biological Diversity Act-2002 and Assam Biodiversity Rules-2010.
2. Establish Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) at District level, Block level, Village level and also in the Autonomous Councils of the State.

3. Assist the BMCs in preparation of People's Biodiversity Registers (PBR) through documentation of local biological resources and associated traditional knowledge.
4. Regulate access to biological resources for research and commercial purposes to facilitate 'Access and Benefit Sharing' mechanisms.
5. Declaration of biodiversity rich areas of the state as 'Biodiversity Heritage Sites' and to frame rules for management and monitoring of such sites for conservation.
6. Notification of 'Threatened species' of the state.
7. Create Biodiversity fund for the Board and for the BMCs.
8. Other such actions required for implementation of the BD Act-2002 in the state.

Board Office:

The office of the Assam State Biodiversity Board has been permanently shifted to Aranya Bhawan, 2st Floor, Panjabari, Guwahati-781037.

Staff of the Board:

I. Regular staff:

i.	Scientific Officer -	1
ii.	Scientific Assistant -	1
iii.	Junior Accountant -	1

II. Contractual staff:

i.	Technical Associate -	1
ii.	Technical Assistant -	3
iii.	Accounts Assistant -	1
iv.	Office Attendant -	1

III. Part-time office bearers from the O/o PCCF Assam:

i.	Range Officer (HQ) -	1
ii.	Accounts Officer -	1
iii.	Junior Assistant -	1

Board Meetings

The Board meets quarterly to take its mandate forward. Following meetings of the Board took place during 2017-18:

21st Board meeting:

The 21st Meeting of the Assam State Biodiversity Board was held on 19th August 2017 at the conference hall ASBB, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari and was presided over by Shri D. Mathur, IFS, Chairman of the Assam State Biodiversity Board. The Member Secretary presented the last quarter progress of the Board before the Members present.



Chairmen and Members discussing the key issues of the meeting

The following are the main issues discussed during the meeting:

- i. Reconstitution of the Board with new Expert Members.
- ii. Research Proposals approved by the Board.
- iii. Progress on the preparation of People's Biodiversity Registers and vetting of PBRs by the Technical Support Group.
- iv. Status on the constitution of Biodiversity Management Committees.
- v. Pending proposals of the Board with the Government.
- vi. Starting of 2nd batch of Internship programme.
- vii. Status of the research projects undertaken.
- viii. Progress on the development of 'Assam Biodiversity Portal' database developed by IFP with APFBC grant.
- ix. Regarding documentation of floral and faunal diversity of Majuli Biodiversity Heritage site in collaboration with local Institutions and other scientific organizations like ZSI and BSI.
- x. Publications and publicity materials developed by the Board.
- xi. Celebration of International Day for Biological Diversity on 22nd May, 2017 at Parbatjhora Forest Division.
- xii. Joining of one contractual staff for Accounts section.
- xiii. Ratification of research permissions granted no-objection by the Board.
- xiv. Ratification of expenditure incurred.
- xv. Possibilities of initiating a "Biodiversity Research Scheme for sponsoring theme based research.
- xvi. Collaboration with Department of Panchayat and Rural Development for organizing awareness generation programmes at gaon Panchayats.

22nd Board meeting:

The 22nd Meeting of the Assam State Biodiversity Board was held on 18th January, 2018 at the Conference Hall of the Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur. At the outset, the Board felicitated its new Chairperson Shri V. K. Pipersenia, IAS, Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam. The Chairperson welcomed everyone present in the Meeting and requested the Member Secretary of the Board to initiate Agenda-wise discussions.



Member Secretary presenting the key issues of the meeting

The following are the main issues discussed during the meeting:

- i. Progress of 2nd batch of 'Internship Programme on Biodiversity Conservation'.
- ii. Status on the process for notification of Threatened Species of the State.
- iii. Status on the constitution of BMCs at Autonomous Hill Councils.
- iv. Status on People's Biodiversity Registers preparation.
- v. Progress on the status of constitution of Technical Support Group at remaining districts of the State.
- vi. Development of five short documentaries for awareness generation.
- vii. Development of a documentary on the Internship programme for sharing with other SBBs of the Country as per suggestion of the NBA.
- viii. Progress on the ongoing research project works of the Board.
- ix. Final report of the 'Assam Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan' document by WII.
- x. Establishment of a 'Nature Learning Centre' in Assam with grant sanctioned by MoEFCC under the NMHS scheme.
- xi. Initiation of a project on documentation of tradable bio-resources and associated traditional knowledge of Assam sanctioned by NBA.
- xii. Ratification of Research Permissions, PIC and IPR applications
- xiii. Ratification of Expenditure Statement of the Board
- xiv. Possibilities of starting 'Post-doctoral research fellowships' for PhD degree holders to work towards 'biodiversity conservation' of the State.
- xv. Possibilities of increasing the annual activities for increasing the 'Budget' allocation of the Board.
- xvi. Submission of revised proposal to Government for creation of 'Corpus Fund' for the Board.

Major Activities of the Board during the year 2017-18

Reconstitution of the Board:

The Board was reconstituted by Government of Assam to carry forward the mandate of the Biological Diversity Act 2002 vide notification no. FRW.57/2005/Vol-I/28 dated 28/06/2017 (**Annexure-I**).

Biodiversity Management Committees (BMC):

The Board constituted 14 new Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) at Bodoland Territorial Council and Dima Hasao Autonomous Council during 2017-18. The lists of the newly constituted BMCs of BTAD & DHAC are given at **Annexure-II & III**. With this addition, 229 numbers of BMCs are constituted in Assam, which are as follows.

Anchalik Panchayats/Blocks:

189 BMCs constituted against target of **189**

Bodoland Autonomous Council:

21 BMCs constituted against target of **21**

Dima Hasao Autonomous Council:

9 BMCs constituted against target of **9**

Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council:

10 BMC constituted against target of **15**



Borlangpher BMC, Karbi Anglong



Langfer BMC, Karbi Anglong



Manja BMC, Karbi Anglong



Pub Nalbari Block BMC



Tihu Block BMC



Barbhag Block BMC

People’s Biodiversity Registers (PBR):

The work for preparation of PBR have been undergoing at 139 Anchalik BMCs of the State. The following are the present status:

TSG vetted complete PBR:	25
Final Draft PBR:	20
On-going PBR works:	94

Technical Support Group (TSG) meeting for approval of People’s Biodiversity Registers (PBRs):

The following TSG meetings were held for vetting of draft PBRs prepared by BMCs with assistance from BRAP & Intern Fellows:

- Jorhat District:** The TSG members of Jorhat District meet on 21/04/2017 in presence of stakeholders & BMC members where six draft PBRs of East Jorhat Selenghat, 5 No. Jorhat, Kaliapani, Titabor, Uttar Pachim, and Madhya Jorhat A. P. BMCs were approved
- Bongaigaon District:** The meeting of the TSG of Bongaigaon District was held at the conference hall of Deputy Commissioner, Bongaigaon on 25/04/2017 where three draft PBRs of Dangtal, Boitamari and Manikpur Anchalik BMCs were approved.
- Nalbari District:** The TSG of Nalbari District meet at the conference hall of Deputy Commissioner, Nalbari on 03/05/2017 where four draft PBRs of Tihu, Barkhetri, Pub Nalbari & Pachim Nalbari Block BMCs were approved.



Status of Research Projects:

The following research projects were completed/ undertaken by the Board in 2017-18:

Completed Research Projects:

- Inventory and documentation of insect fauna of Assam from existing entomological records. *(Final report under process for publication in a book form)*

On-going Research Projects:

- Study on the Fish Diversity in Brahmaputra River inside Assam to identify the threatened species, evaluate and determine their present conservation status and needs. *(Final Report submitted by the PI)*
- Preparation of Assam Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan by Wildlife Institute of India *(Draft Final Report received)*.
- Plant diversity assessment study at Dima Hasao District of Assam *(A two year project undertaken by NBRI, Lucknow, 1st Progress Report received)*.
- Enhancing Conservation Efforts in Hoollongapar Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary, Assam through Documentation and Publicity *(A one year Project undertaken by Aaranyak, 1st Progress Report received)*.
- Documentation of tradable bio-resources and

associated traditional knowledge from the local communities of Assam for establishing Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) Provisions. *(A one year Project undertaken by the Board funded by NBA in January 2018; Two Project Assistants engaged and work started from February 2018).*

Mainstreaming of Biodiversity Workshop at Guwahati

The Board assisted the National Biodiversity Authority in organizing a two days regional workshop on 'Mainstreaming Biodiversity: National Biodiversity Action Plan, National Biodiversity Targets and India's sixth National Report to CBD' at Hotel Lily, Guwahati on 17th & 18th August 2017.

Visit of NBA Secretary and other NE SBB delegates at Board Office

The Secretary of National Biodiversity Authority and other North East SBB delegates visited the Board office on 18th August 2017 and interacted with the Member Secretary-ASBB & staff of the Board.



NBA Secretary and MoEFCC Scientist-F at the Board Office

12th National Meet of SBBs at Chennai

The Board participated at the 12th National Meet of State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) at Chennai on 7th & 8th November 2017, organised by National Biodiversity Authority to discuss the issues and challenges faced by SBBs in implementing the Biological Diversity Act-2002 and Rules.

Divisional level workshop for Stakeholders of BTAD:

A divisional level workshop for BMC members and other stakeholders of BTAD was held on 20th February 2018 for sensitizing the member with their roles and responsibilities in implementing the Biological Diversity Act 2002.



DFO Mushalpur Division addressing the gathering at the workshop

Assam Biodiversity Portal database:

The Board have developed a 'Assam Biodiversity Portal' database with technical assistance from French Institute of Pondicherry (IFP). The work has been undertaken by the Board with financial assistance from Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation (APFBC) project of Department of Environment and Forests, Assam. The portal has been developed with focuses on aggregating data on biodiversity, validating the data and providing open and free access to it.

Nature Learning Centre- Assam:

The Board has initiated a project for establishment of a 'Nature Learning Centre' in Assam with grant sanctioned by Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC) under their National Mission on Himalayan Studies scheme. The project is for duration of 3 years starting from January 2018.

Status of Publications & Publicity works:

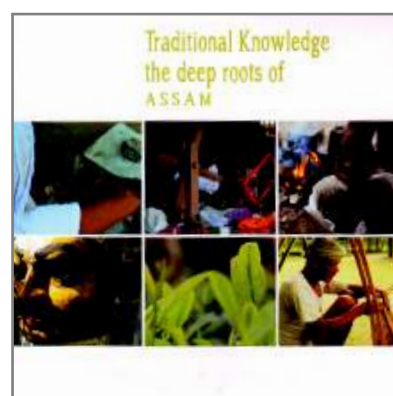
i. Short documentaries for awareness generation:

The Board in collaboration with 'North East Network' has developed five (5) short documentaries films under their 'Green Hub Project' on the following themes:

- i. Subsistence value of Forests
- ii. Traditional Knowledge
- iii. Human-Animal Conflict
- iv. Protect Area Interface
- v. Life of a Forest Guard



Subsistence value of Forests



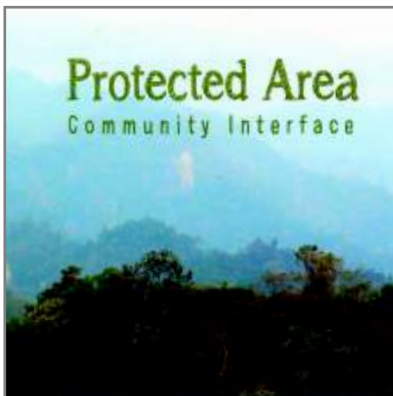
Traditional Knowledge



Honghat-The Conflict

ii. Documentary on Internship Programme on Biodiversity Conservation

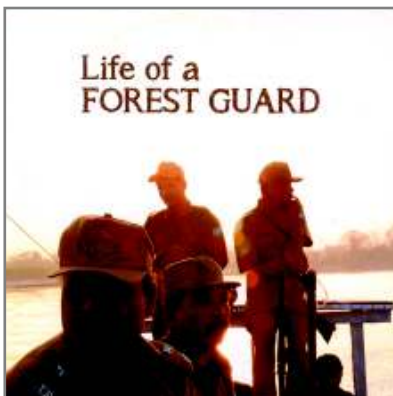
A short documentary video on the Internship course was prepared by the Board as per the recommendation of National Biodiversity Authority who recognizes this student oriented initiative of Assam SBB in preparation of 'People's Biodiversity Registers' as one of the 'Good Practices' adopted by State Biodiversity Boards of the Country.



Protect Area Community Interface

iii. Launched of English newsletter 'Amulya Jaibabaichitra'

The first issue of the English newsletter 'Amulya Jaibabaichitra' of the Board was launched and released during celebration of 'International Day for Biological Diversity' on 22nd May 2017.



Life of a Forest Guard



Release of the newsletter by Chairman and other dignitaries on the Bioday 2017 function



Internship Documentary



iv. Book on “Wild Orchids of Assam: A pictorial guide”

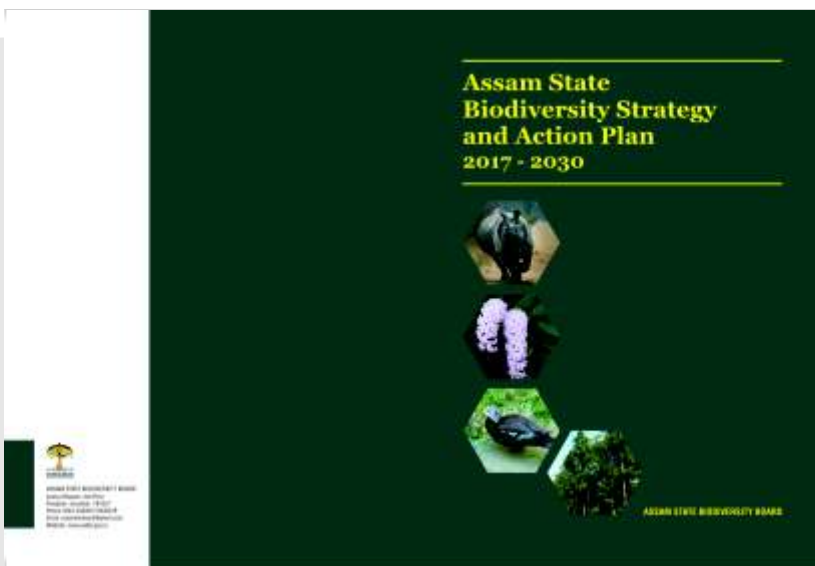
The Board is supporting compilation and publication of a pictorial guide book on 'Wild Orchids of Assam'. The book describes in details of about 392 species of orchids of Assam with current nomenclature and photographs for easy identification. The book was formally released during the 'World Wetland Day' celebration function on 2nd February 2018 at Guwahati.



Released of the “Wild Orchids of Assam” book by Hon’ble Forest Minister, Assam and Other Dignitaries on the function.

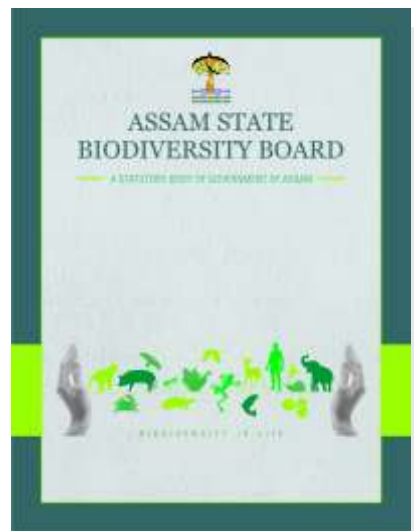
v. Report on Assam Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (ABSAP):

The Board with the technical assistance of Wildlife Institute of India prepared the 'Assam Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan' report which was formally released during the 'World Wetland Day' celebration function on 2nd February 2018 at Guwahati.



vi. Booklet on “Assam State Biodiversity Board”

A booklet about the Board and its functions is being developed both in English & Assamese languages for generating awareness among the BMC members and other stakeholders.



Student oriented initiatives by the Board:

1. Biodiversity Research Associate Programme (BRAP)

The Assam State Biodiversity Board provides fellowships under the BRAP to Post-Graduates and young professionals to assist the BMCs in preparation of their People's Biodiversity Registers. This fellowship has been continuing from 2014 onwards and so far fifty-two Fellows have been engaged under the programme till 2016.

The following BRAP Fellows were engaged under 6th batch (01-09-17 to 30-11-2017)

1. Kunal Chanda
Panitola A. P. BMC,
Dibrugarh
2. Genius Teron
Binnakandi A. P. BMC,
Nagaon
3. Sumit Nath
Lala A. P. BMC, Hailakandi
4. Dipika Parbo
Diyunbra & Panimur
BMC,
Dima Hasao

2. Internship Course on Biodiversity Conservation:

The first batch of the course was started from 9th January 2017 and altogether, 14 Interns out of the 20 selected completed the course in April 2017. Twenty "Resource Persons" interacted with the students and imparted knowledge on various field of biodiversity conservation. The students were also given hands on training on 'Application of GIS' and 'Biostatistics'. The Interns were taken for exposure visits at the 'Genetics Research Laboratory' of Aaranyak NGO, Guwahati and for field study at Laokhowa & Burhachapori WLSs, Nameri NP, and Hollongapar Gibbon WLS and the 'Pabhoi Greens Organic Farm' at Biswanath Chariali. At the end of the course, the Interns submitted the draft People's Biodiversity Registers of their respective Biodiversity Management Committees.

After successful completion of the first batch, the second batch of the course started from 7th August 2017 onwards. A total of 20 Interns were selected as per a written examination and personal interaction of which 16 Interns completed the course.

2nd Batch Interns: 16 Students

Sl.No.	Name	BMC assigned	District
1.	Madhusmita Baruah	Amguri Anchalik BMC	Sivasagar
2	Ruptalin Engtipi	Dokmoka BMC	Karbi Anglong
3	Parthib Kashyap Sarma	Tengakhat Anchalik BMC	Dibrugarh
4	Abhinaya Borah	Gabharu Anchalik BMC	Sonitpur
5	Somadwita Das	Borkhola Anchalik BMC	Cachar
6	Barsha Sarma	Pub-Chaiduar Anchalik BMC	Sonitpur
7	Pulakeswar Basumatary	Bordoloni Anchalik BMC	Dhemaji
8	Pallavi Sonowal	Khowang Anchalik BMC	Dibrugarh
9	Mallika Basumatary	Dhekiajuli Anchalik BMC	Sonitpur
10	Upashana Devi	Tapattary Anchalik BMC	Bongaigaon
11	Ananya Roy	North Karimganj Anchalik BMC	Karimganj
12	Dipanjali Das	Srijangram Anchalik BMC	Bongaigaon
13	Rabiya Daimari	Udali Anchalik BMC	Nagaon
14	Deboshree Das	Silchar Anchalik BMC	Cachar
15	Momita Langthasa	Udali 1 Anchalik BMC	Nagaon
16	Rupjyoti Das	Kakodonga Anchalik BMC	Golaghat

Photographs of the 2nd batch Internship Course



Selection test of Interns



Session by Dr. Gajen Sarma



Session by Prof. P.C. Bhattacharjee



Session by A.K. Johari, PCCF (B & CC)



Session by D.P. Bankhwal, PCCF (Wildlife)



Exposure visit of Interns to Orang NP & TR

Notification of 'Threatened Species' of Assam:

Under section-38 of Biological Diversity Act 2002 and the Rules 24 (1) of the Assam Biodiversity Rules 2010, and in consultation with Stake holders, the State Government of Assam intends to notify certain species of plants and animals as "Threatened Species".

The first candidate list of such plants and animals to be notified as Threatened Species are available at www.asbb.gov.in (in *Whats New* Section). The proposal is pending at the Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi.

Declaration of Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS) of Assam:

The Government of Assam declared Majuli district as first BHS of Assam vide notification no. FRW 57/2005/Vol-II/14 dated 29/03/2017.

Consequently a Majuli Biodiversity Heritage Site Management Committee was constituted to formulate the management plan of the BHS under the chairmanship of Shri Jadav Payeng, Forest Man of India.



22 MAY 2017
INTERNATIONAL DAY
FOR BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY
Biodiversity and Sustainable Tourism

Celebration of International Biological Diversity Day, 2017:

The Assam State Biodiversity Board celebrated the "International Day for Biological Diversity" on 22nd May, 2017 on the theme of "Biodiversity and Sustainable Tourism" at the Office of Divisional Forest Officer, Parbatjhora Division, Suparighat, Kokrajhar District, Assam. This function was jointly organized by Assam State Biodiversity Board (ASBB) and the Assam Forest Department. The event was sponsored by National Biodiversity Authority (NBA), Chennai. Sri R.C.Goswami, IFS (Rtd.), Expert Member-ASBB was the Chief Guest of the function.



Lighting of lamp by Dignitaries

The other dignitaries on the dais included Sri D. Mathur IFS, Chairman - Assam State Biodiversity Board, Sri A. Swargowary IFS, Addl. PCCF & Council Head of Department, Forests, BTAD, Sri Jaideep Baruah, Senior Scientific Officer & Head In-Charge, Environment Division, Assam State Technology & Environment Council (ASTEC) and Dr. C. Ramesh IFS, Divisional Forest Officer, Parbatjhora Division.



Participants of the event



Student Participating in Drawing Competitions

Sri D. Mathur IFS welcomed the guests and the gathering. Sri Jaideep Baruah, Senior Scientific Officer, ASTEC made an introductory address explaining the significance of the theme of the function: "Biodiversity and Sustainable Tourism". Sri R.C. Goswami, IFS (Rtd.) Expert Member-ASBB gave a Chief Guest address.

The function was also attended by CFs, all local DFOs, ACFs and Range Forest officers of the Forests Department. Representatives of Educational institutions, NGOs, President & Members of VDCs, JFMC members, Gaonburahs and Members of Biodiversity Management Committees, Officers of Army, CRPF & BSF, School children and local people.

As a part of the celebration, drawing, painting, slogan writing and essay writing competition were organized among the school children for generating awareness amongst the school children on 13th & 15th May 2017. Over 3062 school children from 57 different government school participated in the competitions.

Main events of the function:

1. Address by Dignitaries:

Sri R.C. Goswami, IFS (Rtd.), Expert Member-ASBB, Sri D. Mathur IFS, Chairman - Assam State Biodiversity Board and Sri. Jaideep Baruah, Senior Scientific Officer & Head In-Charge, Environment Division, Assam State Technology & Environment Council (ASTEC). Master Arman Rounak S. of Class V, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Panbari gave an excellent speech on Biodiversity Conservation.



Speech on the theme by Sri Jaideep Baruah, SSO, ASTEC



Speech by student speaker, Master Arman

2. Release of Newsletter:

The first issue of ASBB's biannual Newsletter titled "Amulya Jaibabaichitra" was released by Sri D. Mathur IFS, Chairman, ASBB.



Release of ASBB Newsletter by Shri D. Mathur & other Dignitaries

3. Distribution of Prizes:

The Drawing and Painting Competitions were conducted for Class I to V -Lower Primary (LP) School and Class VI- VIII – Middle Education (ME) School; Slogan Writing and Essay Writing competitions were conducted for ME and High School (Class IX – XII). More than 3000 students from 57 schools participated in the competitions. The details of participants and prizes distributed are as follows:



Student receiving prizes from dignitaries

Competition	Total Participants	Level	Prizes
Drawing	1057	LP	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & Consolation Prizes
		ME	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & Consolation Prizes
Painting	709	LP	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & Consolation Prizes
		ME	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd & Consolation Prizes
Essay Writing			
Assamese	364	ME	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
		High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
Bodo	81	ME	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
		High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
English	24	ME	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
		High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
Slogan Writing			
Assamese	562	ME	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
		High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
Bodo	143	ME	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
		High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
Bengali	7	High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
Hindi	8	High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
English	113	ME	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
		High	1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Prizes
Total	3062		58 Prizes

4. Plantation:

After the main event, ceremonial plantation was done by invited guests, forest officials and local villagers.



Plantation by villagers & other officials

5. Seeds & Seedling Distribution:

The programme ended with the free distribution of rare species of seedlings in a biodegradable non-oven cloth bag and seeds of valuable trees species were distributed in packets to the general public.



Seeds & plant saplings distribution



Group photo of IDB- 2017 Celebration Team



Winners of different competitions

Expert Groups/Committees constituted for various technical works of the Board:

1. Expert Committee for the project 'Study on the Fish diversity in Brahmaputra River inside Assam'.
2. Expert Committee for evaluation of proposal for declaration of Majuli as Biodiversity Heritage Site.
3. Expert Group for review of Assam Biodiversity Strategy & Action Plan
4. Expert Group for Internship Programme on Biodiversity Conservation
5. Expert Group for evaluation of applications for access to bioresources
6. Expert Committee for Majuli Biodiversity Heritage Site Management.

Permissions sought/granted:

The Biological Diversity Act 2002 and the Assam Biodiversity Rules 2010 regulate access to biological resources and prescribe manner in which the access could be allowed. The Board received several applications seeking access to biological resources for various purposes.

Research applications approved by the Board during 2017-18:

Sl. No.	Name of the Applicant	Designation & Address	Duration	Title of Research/ bio-resources to be accessed
1	Mr. Paris Basumatary	PhD Research Scholar, Dept of Zoology, Bodoland University	36 months	Ecology of Spiders at Chirang RF, Assam
2	Mr. Biswajit Singh	PhD Research Scholar, Dept of Ecology & Env.Sc., Assam University, Silchar	36 months	Ecological and behavioural studies of Pharys leaf monkey in and around Inner line RF of Cachar district
3	Ms Hrisha Nandana Hazarika	PhD Research Scholar, Dept of Zoology, GU	36 months	Diversity and abundance of ant os Kholahat RF, Nagaon, Assam
4	M/s Reliance Industries Ltd, Mumbai	M/s Reliance Industries Ltd, 3rd floor, Maker Chamber, Mumbai-400021	One time collection	Seeking consent from BMC through NBA- for accessing 500ml of freshwater unicellular eukaryotic algae and cyano-bacteria from Chandrapur area Kamrup

IPR applications from Assam approved by the NBA during 2017-18:

Sl. No.	Name of the Applicant	Designation & Address	Name of the process	Biological Resources Access
1	Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh	Innovation Officer/ Scientist C Value addition research and dev. Dept, National Innovation Foundation, Gujarat	Synergistic herbal composition as insect repellant and method of preparation	<i>Citrus maxima</i> (Leaves & fruits), <i>Eucalyptus</i> (Leaves & Branches), Lime (Leaves & fruit rind), Lemon grass (Fresh leaves)
2	Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh	Innovation Officer/ Scientist C Value addition research and dev. Dept, National Innovation Foundation, Gujarat	A topical herbal composition for use in treating muscle cramps	<i>Ficus rumphii</i> (root), Chinese ginger (Rhizome) Goat weed (root), <i>Paedaria foetida</i> (leaves), <i>Blumea fistulosa</i> (leaves), <i>Ficus religiosa</i> (leaves)
3	Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh	Innovation Officer/ Scientist C Value addition research and dev. Dept, National Innovation Foundation, Gujarat	Herbal composition for treatment or prevention of bone fractures and methods thereof	Snake vine, Midwife's herb, Bakuchi, Arjune tree Turmeric, Coffee weed, Devil's backbone, heart-leaved moonseed, Stinging tree
4	Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh	Innovation Officer/ Scientist C Value addition research and dev. Dept, National Innovation Foundation, Gujarat	A tropical herbal dental composition for use in treating tooth infection	Benghal dayflower- <i>Commelina benghalensis</i> & Plantain- <i>Musa balbisiana</i>
5	Sri Suku Ram Das	Senchowa Village, P.O. Senchowa Nagaon, Assam-782002	Invention of the medicine of cancer	<i>Glycosmis pentaphylla</i> (Leaves), <i>Channa punctatus</i> (whole body), <i>Lycopersicum esculentum</i> (fruit), <i>Allium cepa</i> (bulb), <i>Allium sativum</i> (bulb) <i>Curcuma longa</i> (Rhizome powder), <i>Brassica nigra</i> (Mustard oil), <i>Sodium chloride</i> (Salt)

Sl. No.	Name of the Applicant	Designation & Address	Name of the process	Biological Resources Access
6	Mr. Sharana Basava	Attorney, E-1411, Sainik Colony Sector-49, Faridabad, Haryana-121001	Method for purification of catechins from natural sources using membrane cell	<i>Camellia sinensis</i> (Tea leaves)
7	Dr. Dilip Kumar Sarma	Director, ICAR, National Research on Pig, Rani (Near Airport), Guwahati-781131	Nutritionally balanced feed compositions for modification of body fat composition in pigs	Maize, Wheat, Wheat bran, Rice, Groundnut, deoiled groundnut cake, Soya bean, Fish (Mixture of Rohu, Catla etc), Coconut oil, Sunflower oil
8	Dr. Novonita Baruah	Scientist, Dept. of Biotechnology, Cotton College, Pan Bazar, Guwahati 781001	Invention- Bioformulation of Penicillium purpurogenum and process for preparation thereof	<i>Penicillium purpurogenum</i>
9	Mr. Sharana Basava	Attorney, E-1411, Sainik Colony Sector-49, Faridabad, Haryana-121001	Invention- Composition of catechin flavonoids mixture	<i>Camellia sinensis</i> (Tea leaves)
10	Dr. Pawan Kumar Singh	Innovation Officer/ Scientist C Value addition research and dev. Dept, National Innovation Foundation, Gujarat	Invention- A herbal composition effective against gastro-intestinal endoparasitic infections in animals	<i>Anthocephalus cadamba</i> (leaves), <i>Caesalpinia crista</i> (Leaves), <i>Hydrocotyle rotundifolia</i> (Leaves), <i>Hemidesmus indicus</i> (Leaves)
11	Mr. Sharana Basava	Attorney, E-1411, Sainik Colony Sector-49, Faridabad, Haryana-121001	Invention- Substrate based bioformulation for control of Bacterial wilt of Brinjal and its preparation thereof	Bacteria- <i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i>

Annexure-I

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS DEPARTMENT
DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6**

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
NOTIFICATION

Dated Dispur, the 28th June, 2017

NO. FRW.57/2005/Vol-I/28 : In exercise of powers conferred under sub section (1) of Section-22 of the Bio-logical diversity Act,2002 (Act 18 of 2003), the Governor of Assam is pleased to constitute the “ Assam Biodiversity Board” to promote biodiversity conservation in the State of Assam, sustainable use of its components and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of use of biological resources of the State and traditional knowledge associated with these resources and matters incidental there to or connected therewith:

The Assam Biodiversity Board shall consist of the following members:

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|---|----------------------|
| 1. Shri D. Mathur, IFS, | - Chairperson. |
| 2. Addl. Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/
Commissioner & Secretary, Environment and Forest Department, | - Ex-officio Member. |
| 3. Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Agriculture Department. | - Ex-officio Member |
| 4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Biodiversity),
O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Assam. | - Ex-officio Member |
| 5. The Director. Agriculture Department, Govt. of Assam | - Ex-officio Member |
| 6. The Director, Fisheries Department, Govt. of Assam | - Ex-officio Member |
| 7. Dr. Ajit Kumar Das, M.Phil, PhD,
Associate Professor, Dept. of Eco. & Env't. Sc.
Assam University. | - Expert Member |
| 8. Prof. P.C. Bhattacharjee, MSc, PhD
Prof (Retd.), Dept. of Zoology,
Gauhati University, | - Expert Member |
| 9. Mrs. Nirmali Medhi
Associate Professor & HoD, Dept. of Zoology,
Handique Girls' College | - Expert Member |
| 10. Dr. Bijoy Neog, M.Phil, PhD,
Professor & HoD, Dept. of Life Sciences,
Dibrugarh University | - Expert Member |
| 11. Shri Bibhak Kumar Talukdar,
Aranyak, Guwahati. | - Expert Member |

The Governor of Assam is pleased to nominate the following officials as special invitees to the meeting in the Assam Bio-diversity Board.

1. The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Finance Department.
2. The Commissioner and Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Department.

The Governor of Assam is also pleased to nominate PCCF (Biodiversity) to act as the Secretary to the Assam Biodiversity Board.



Term of Office :

The Term of office of the Chairperson and members (other than ex-officio members) shall be 3 (three) years.

Power, function and responsibilities :

Without prejudice to the provision of the Biological diversity Act,2002 (Act 18 of 2003) the Assam Biodiversity Board shall exercise powers, perform function and discharge responsibilities as laid down and mandated under the “ Assam Biodiversity Rules, 2010”.

Powers and responsibilities of the Chairperson :

The Chairperson shall exercise such powers and discharge such responsibilities as laid down and mandatory under section-15 of the “Assam Biodiversity Rules,2010” .

Function of the Secretary :

The Secretary of the Assam Biodiversity Board shall perform such function as laid down and mandatory under section-11 of the “Assam Biodiversity Rules,2010”.

Terms of Reference of the Assam Bio-diversity Board :

1. The Activities of the Assam Biodiversity Board shall be essential and strictly governed by the provisions of the Assam Biodiversity Rules, 2010.
2. The Assam Biodiversity Board shall consult the National Bio-diversity Authority (NBA) and the Biodiversity Management Committees , as and when required, while taking decision relating to use of biological resources of the state and traditional knowledge associated with such resources.
3. The Assam Biodiversity Board shall, in the discharge of its functions and responsibilities under the Assam Bio-diversity Rules, 2010 be bound by such direction on question of policy as the state Government may give of it writing from time to time under sub-sections (1) of section -49 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2010. Provided that the Assam Biodiversity shall as far as practicable be given an opportunity to express its views before any direction is given under the said provision.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Biodiversity) will function as the Secretary of the Assam Biodiversity Board.
5. The Assam Biodiversity Board would from time to time as required.
6. TA/DA of non-official members would be born out of funds provided by the State Government for the purpose/State Biodiversity Fund. TA/DA of officials members would be borne by their respective parent Departments.

Sd/- Dr. K.K.Dwivedi,IAS

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Environment and Forests Department.


Memo NO. FRW.57/2005/Vol-I/28 -A

Dated Dispur, the 28th June,2017

Copy forwarded to :-

1. The Principal Accountant General (A & E) Assam, Maidamgaon, Beltola, Guwahati 29.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati-29.
- ✓ 4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Biodiversity), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.
5. The Director Agriculture Department, Assam, Khanapara, Guwahati-22.
6. The Director, Fisheries Department, Assam, Ulubari, Guwahati-7.
7. Dr. Ajit Kumar Das, M.Phil, PhD, Associate Professor, Dept. of Eco. & Env't. Sc. Assam University.
8. Prof. P.C. Bhattacharjee, MSc, PhD, Prof (Retd.), Dept. of Zoology, Gauhati University.
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10. Dr. Bijoy Neog, M.Phil, PhD, Professor & HoD, Dept. of Life Sciences, Dibrugarh University.
11. Shri Bibhak Kumar Talukdar, Aranyak, Guwahati.
12. The S.O. to Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati -6 .
13. The P.S. to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati - 6 .
14. The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister, Environment & Forests, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6
15. The P.S. to Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary, Environment & Forests Department, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
16. The PS to Addl. Chief Secretary, Finance Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
17. The P.S to Commissioner & Secretary, Agriculture Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
18. The PS to Commissioner & Secretary, Veterinary Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
19. The P.S. to Secretary, Environment & Forests Department, Dispur, Guwahati - 6.
20. The Deputy Director, Printing & Stationery, Assam Govt. Press, Bamunimaidan, Guwahati-21 for favour of publication of the above notification in the next issue of the Assam Gazette.

By order etc.,


 Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
 Environment and Forests Department.

Annexure-II**List of BMCs of BTAD constituted during FY 2017-18**

Sl. No	Name of BMC	District	Forest Division
1	Mazbat BMC	Udalguri	Dhansiri Forest Division
2	Nunoi BMC	Udalguri	Dhansiri Forest Division
3	Runikhata BMC	Chirang	Chirang Forest Division
4	Amteka BMC	Chirang	Chirang Forest Division
5	Kuklung BMC	Chirang	Chirang Forest Division

Annexure-III**List of BMCs of DHAC constituted during FY 2017-18**

Sl. No	Name of BMC	District	Forest Division	Forest Range
1	Haflong BMC	Dima Hasao	West Division	Haflong
2	Harangajao BMC	Dima Hasao	West Division	Harangajao
3	Mahur BMC	Dima Hasao	West Division	Mahur
4	Dehangi BMC	Dima Hasao	West Division	Dihangi
5	Diyungbra & Panimur BMC	Dima Hasao	West Division	Diyungbra
6	Jinam BMC	Dima Hasao	West Division	Jinam
7	Maibang BMC	Dima Hasao	East Division	Maibang
8	Langting BMC	Dima Hasao	East Division	Langting
9	Hatikhali & Manderdisa BMC	Dima Hasao	East Division	Hatikhali

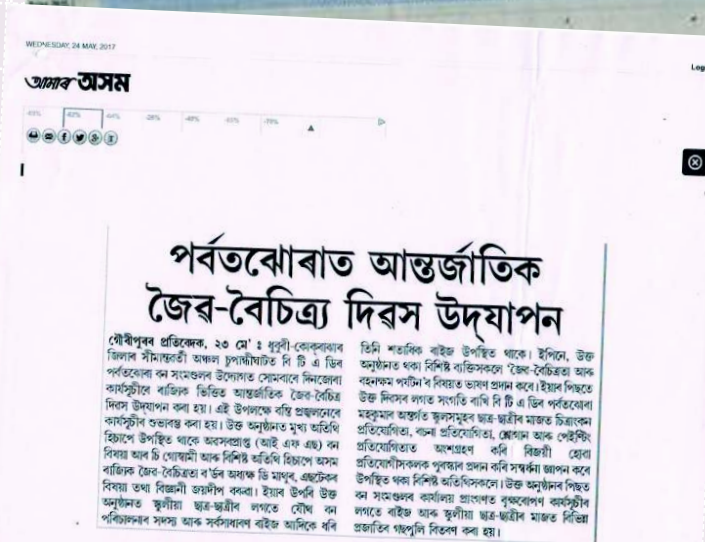
Invitation, advertisement and celebration news on local media



◀ Invitation in Local Assamese news paper



◀ Invitation in Assam Tribune news paper



◀ News of IDB Celebration in Assamese News paper

Audit Report

Salil Agarwal
B.Com. (Hons.) FCA

Salil Agarwal
14/12/18

SALIL AGARWAL & CO.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS. Firm Regn No. : 326763E

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To,
ASSAM STATE BIO DIVERSITY BOARD
ASSAM

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD, Aranya Bhawan, 2nd Floor, Panjabari, Guwahati - 781037** which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2018 and the Income and Expenditure Account and Receipts and payments for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principal in India and other applicable standards. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Board's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.



Opinion

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the financial statements of **ASSAM STATE BIO DIVERSITY BOARD** for the year ended March 31, 2018 give a true and fair view:-

- i) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Board as at 31st March, 2018;
- ii) In the case of the Income and Expenditure Account, of the surplus for the year ended on that date.

Place: Guwahati
Date: 30/09/2018



For SALIL AGARWAL & CO.
Chartered Accountants
(Firm Reg. No. 326763E)

S. Agarwal

SALIL AGARWAL
Proprietor
M.No.067263

ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD
ARANYA BHAWAN, 2ND FLOOR,
PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-37

BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2018

Liabilities	Amount (Rs.)	Assets	Amount (Rs.)
Capital Account		Fixed Assets	
As per Last A/c	127,81,422.08	Opening Balance	24,54,732.73
Add: Excess of Income over exp.	66,93,685.66	Addition during the year	1,64,842.00
			26,19,574.73
Current Liabilities		Current Assets	
Professional Tax payable		Advances to BMCs	6,11,032.00
TDS Payable	2,272.00	State Bank OF India [A/C NO. - 32007181470]	229,08,363.14
Contribution to EPF Organisation	13,960.00	State Bank OF India [A/C NO. - 35923730246]	5,879.50
Salary & Remuneration Payable	60,339.00	Yes Bank [A/c No. 006594600000720]	267,55,705.71
Application Fees received for Forest Deptt. recruitment	2,69,361.00	Cash in hand	-
Fund From NTPC	224,41,633.34		
Wrongly Deposited in Saving Account	105,01,400.00		
Golaghat South Anchalik BMC	63,482.00		
Audit Fees payable	15,000.00		
	58,000.00		
Total	529,00,555.08	Total	529,00,555.08

For ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD



MEMBER SECRETARY
ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD
DATED :- 30-09-2018
PLACE:- GUWAHATI

For SALIL AGARWAL & CO.

Chartered Accountants
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CHAIRMAN
ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD

SALIL AGARWAL & CO. (PROPRIETOR)
Membership No. 067263

ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD
ARANYA BHAWAN, 2ND FLOOR,
PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-37

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2018

EXPENDITURE	Amount (Rs.)	INCOME	Amount (Rs.)
Expenditure out of NEA Fund (sch I):		Funds/Grants received from:	
International Day for Biological Diversity 2017	5,00,000.00	National Biodiversity Authority-	
Funds for engagement /Outsourcing to staff	9,84,715.00	Funds for engagement /Outsourcing to staff	9,57,677.00
Preparation of Peoples Biodiversity Register (PBR)	4,78,270.00	Fund for constitution of BMC at KAAAC	6,00,000.00
Training and capacity building of Members of BMC's	21,860.00	International Day for Biological Diversity 2017	5,00,000.00
Constitution of BMC'S in BTC assam	42,000.00	Training & capacity building of Members of BMC's	8,00,000.00
Translation & Printing of materials	1,63,800.00	Tradeable Bio Resource Project	6,66,800.00
Tradeable Bio resource Project	1,15,000.00		
		Fund/Grant from Assam Government	
Expenditure out of Assam Govt. grant (sch II):		Board Function	34,43,000.00
Board Function Expenditure:		Fund/Grant Received from APFBC Society	
Salary & Allowances to Chairman, Officers & Staff of Board		Other Income	
		Advertisement in newsletter	10,000.00
Expenditure out of APFBC Grant (sch III):		Bank Interest income	
Biodiversity strategy and action plan	16,720.00	Savings Bank interest	69,63,062.66
Biodiversity Studies on Habitat/Species	16,68,775.00	Bank interest from short term deposit	1,41,767.00
Printing of awareness generation materials	18,96,807.00		
Remuneration to contractual staff	5,62,358.00		
Strengthening and capacity building workshop of BMCs	3,63,016.00		
Excess office expenses-State	6,91,083.00		
Excess expenditure of Board Function-State	10,90,494.00		
Expenditure out of Bank interest (sch IV):			
Website standardisation/configuration	99,957.00		
Audit Fees	10,550.00		
Excess expenditure of Bioday 2017	6,137.00		
Bank charges	4,314.00		
Excess of Income over Expenditure	66,93,685.66		
TOTAL	188,52,541.66	TOTAL	188,52,541.66

For ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD

For SALIL AGARWAL & CO.

Chartered Accountants

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(Signature)

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PLACE:- GUWAHATI

(CA SALIL AGARWAL)
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Membership No. 067263

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2018

Receipts	Amounts (Rs.)	Payments	Amounts (Rs.)
Fund/Grant From APFBC Society	47,70,235.00	<u>Expenditure out of APFBC Grant</u> Biodiversity Strategy & Action Plan	16,720.00
Fund/Grant From Assam Govt.	34,43,000.00	Biodiversity Status Studies on Habitat/Species/BHS	16,68,775.00
Fund/Grant From NTPC	294,03,920.00	Printing of awareness generation materials	18,84,407.00
		Strengthening & capacity building workshops of BMC's	3,13,016.00
		Remuneration to Staff	5,10,704.00
		State Fund excess Office Expenditure	6,43,633.00
		State Fund excess Board Function expenses	9,54,235.00
			59,91,490.00
<u>Investment</u>		<u>Purchase of Fixed Assets</u>	
Short Term Deposit at HDFC Realised	99,99,000.00	Binoculars (NBA-PBR)	56,392.00
Interest from Short Term Deposit	1,41,767.00	Handicam (NBA-PBR)	20,500.00
		Tripod (NBA-PBR)	3,750.00
		Laptop & Accessories (NBA-PBR)	41,000.00
		Camera Canon (NBA Tradable)	28,900.00
		Camera Canon SX-430 (NBA Tradable)	14,300.00
			1,64,842.00
<u>Other Receipts</u>		<u>Expenditure out of Bank Interest</u>	
Wrongly Deposited in Saving A/c	63,482.00	Website Standardisation / Configuration	99,957.00
Savings Bank Interest	69,63,062.66	Excess Expenditure of Bioday 2017	6,137.00
Advertisement of Newsletter	10,000.00	Bank Charges	4,314.00
			1,10,408.00
		<u>Other Expenses</u>	
		Previous Year Audit Fees Paid	40,250.00
		Previous Year Prof. Tax Paid	1,882.00
		Previous Year TDS Paid	48,250.00
		Previous Year EPF Paid	51,045.00
		Previous Year VAT Paid	3,378.00
			1,44,805.00



RECEIPT PAYMENT A/C

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2018

Receipts	Amounts (Rs.)	Payments	Amounts (Rs.)
		Payment from Application fees received from Forest Department Recruitment	82,60,087.00
		Payment from Climate Change Project Fund (NABARD)	771,32,395.00
		Payment from NTPC Fund	245,93,448.00
		Advance to BMCs	1,18,000.00
		Closing Balance Cash at Bank	496,69,948.35
Total	1718,04,949.35	Total	1718,04,949.35

For ASSAM STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD



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