



GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
MEGHALAYA BIODIVERSITY BOARD
(A STATUTORY BODY SET UP UNDER BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY ACT, 2002)
Sylvan House, Lower Lachumiere, Shillong – 793001



Syed Md. A. Razi, IRTS,
Chairman

No. O.O/ 11

Dated Shillong, the 21st February, 2022

OFFICE ORDER

Sub: Re-constitution of the Expert Committees of Meghalaya Biodiversity Board under Rule 13(1) of Meghalaya Biological Diversity Rules 2010.

In supersession of the earlier order constituting Expert Committees vide letter No. SBB.1/2012/BoardMeetings/1965-2001 dated 14-05-2013, No. SBB.1/2012/Board Meetings/1965-2001 dated 14-5-2013, O.O. No. 2 dated 17-11-2016 and O.O. No.3 dated 22-03-2017, the Meghalaya Biodiversity Board hereby re-constitutes the following three (3) State Level Expert Committees with immediate effect under Rule 13 (1) of the Meghalaya Biological Diversity Rules 2010 to assist the Board for the purposes of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Rules.

1. Expert Committee on "Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS)"

1. Chief Wildlife Warden or his nominee, Meghalaya, Shillong – Chairman.
2. Member Secretary, MBB/Representative nominated by Member Secretary, MBB.
3. Director/Scientist in Charge, Botanical Survey of India, Shillong.
4. Director/Scientist in Charge, Zoological Survey of India, Shillong.
5. Shri. Tambor Lyngdoh, Mawphlang Village, East Khasi Hills.
6. Dr. K. Upadhyya, Asst. Prof. (Botany) College of Technology, NEHU.
7. Dr. K. Chaudhary, Asst. Prof. (Botany), Lady Keane College, Shillong.
8. Dr. Wympher Langtang, Asst. Prof. (Botany) St. Anthony's College.
9. Dr. Ester Jones Marbaniang, Principal, Goodwill College, Laitumkhrah.
10. Two (02) experts co-opted by the Member Secretary, MBB.
11. Two (02) District Nodal Officers co-opted by the Member Secretary, MBB.

Terms of reference:

1. The BHS Committee shall look into the matters concerning BHS and OECM (Other effective area-based conservation measures) in Meghalaya.
2. The BHS Committee shall propose sites for BHS and OECM in Meghalaya.
3. The BHS Committee shall guide and assist the Board in conducting survey and documentation (flora and fauna) of the proposed BHS sites.
4. Assist the BMCs/BHS Monitoring Committees in utilizing the BHS fund for conservation and sustainable use of bio-resources.
5. The Committee will meet as per requirement of the Board.
6. Look into any other related issue as directed by the Board.

2. Expert Committee on "Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS)"

1. Shri. Pynbiang Singh Nongbri, IFS (Retd.), CCF, Meghalaya – Chairman.
2. Member Secretary, MBB/Representative nominated by Member Secretary, MBB
3. Prof. D. Syiem, Biochemistry Department, NEHU.
4. Prof. H. Kayang, Botany Department, NEHU.
5. Director/Representative, North East Slow Food & Agro-biodiversity Society (NESFAS), Shillong.
6. Manager, Meghalaya Small Farmers Agri-Business Consortium, Directorate of Agriculture Building, Cleve Colony, Shillong.
7. Advisor (Law) nominated by Advocate General, Govt. of Meghalaya.
8. Chief Operating Officer/Representative, Meghalaya State Rural Livelihoods Society, Dhankheti, Shillong.
9. Dr. S. G. Christopher, Assistant Director (Piggery), A.H & Veterinary Department, Shillong.
10. Two (02) experts co-opted by the Member Secretary, MBB.
11. Two (02) District Nodal Officers co-opted by the Member Secretary, MBB.

Terms of reference:

1. The ABS Committee shall look into the matters concerning ABS and its implementation in Meghalaya.
2. Assist the Board in conducting Workshops and Awareness Campaigns for ABS awareness and its implementation.
3. Guide and assist the BMCs in utilizing the ABS monetary and non-monetary benefits for conservation and sustainable use of bio-resources.
4. Assist the Board in identifying the "Chain of Custody" of biological resources that attracts the provisions of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.
5. The Committee will meet as per requirement of the Board.
6. Guide and assist the Board on legal matters related to implementation of ABS.
7. Look into any other related issue as directed by the Board.

Expert Committee on "Research Studies"

1. Prof. S.K. Barik, Director, CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow – Chairman.
2. Member Secretary, MBB/Representative nominated by Member Secretary, MBB.
3. Prof. Natalie West Kharkongor, Associate Prof., IIM, Shillong.
4. Dr. C. S. Rao, Dept. of Botany, St. Anthony's college, Shillong.
5. Prof. (Retd.) B.K. Tiwari, NEHU.
6. Dr. K. Upadhyya, Asst. Prof., College of Technology, NEHU.
7. Dr. Vincent T. Darlong, Zoologist, Director Centre for sustainable Development Studies, Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong

Terms of reference:

1. The Committee on "Research Studies" shall evaluate the project reports of the Project Assistants of the Board and the external projects sponsored by the Board.
2. Assist the Board in selection of topics on the proposed research studies to be taken up by the Board.
3. The Committee will meet as per requirement of the Board.
4. Look into any other related issue as directed by the Board.

(Syed Md. A. Razi, IRTS)

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya
Forests & Environment Department &
Chairman, Meghalaya Biodiversity Board, Shillong

No.SBB.1/Board Meetings/Pt-II/2020/

Dated Shillong, the _____ February, 2022

1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
2. The PCCF & HoFF, Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
3. The Principal Secretary/Commissioner & Secretary to Govt. of Meghalaya, Department of Agriculture/Law/Horticulture/Fishery/Planning (for MBDA)/Vety & AH/ C& RD for information and to facilitate the nominations concerned.
4. The Secretary, National Biodiversity Authority, Chennai for information.
5. The Secretary, Meghalaya Biodiversity Board, Shillong for info. & necessary action.
6. The Joint Secretary Forests & Environment Department for information
7. All expert committee members for information & necessary action.
8. Files of MBB concerned.

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