



TELANGANA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD

UNEP – GEF – MoEFCC-ABS Project

"Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act and Rules with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Provisions"

Brief report on "Orientation programme on Biological Diversity Act 2002, Telangana State Biological Diversity Rules 2015 and its focus on Access and Benefit Sharing Mechanism"

Place: Bhaskara Auditorium, G.P. Birla Centre, Ground floor, Adarsh Nagar, Telangana. Hyderabad.

Date: 02-11-2015.

The Telangana State Biodiversity Board is implementing UNEP-GEF-MoEF&CC-ABS Project title-***"Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act and Rules with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Mechanism"***. As part of project activity the Board has organized a awareness programme on Biological Diversity Act 2002, Telangana State Biological Diversity Rules 2015 and its focus on ABS provisions". The main objective of the programme is to increase the awareness on the Biological Diversity Act, Rules and ABS mechanism.

Dr. C. Suvarna, IFS, Member Secretary, Telangana State Biodiversity Board welcomed the gathering and briefed about the provisions of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, Rules, Form-I application and access and benefit sharing provisions. The Member Secretary has shared her experiences on conservation of biological resources and sustainable utilization of biological resources for future. Also interacted with the participants and clarified the doubts related to the

Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and given different states biodiversity activities as a token of examples.

After that Mr. C. Achelendar Reddy, IFS, Goa gave a brief presentation on Biological Diversity Act, Rules and ABS guidelines. He has explained about the roles and responsibilities of the stakeholders under the Act. He told about the ABS needs to be followed by the agencies concerned who are dealing with the biological resources for commercial purpose, and they should share the benefits to the biodiversity conservers. He also gave various examples under which one of the example that the fish waste (scales) using a company for manufacturing a drug called Hydroxyapatite (HAP) crystals which attracts the ABS even though fish comes under Normally Traded Commodities.

After the brief presentation about the provisions of the Act, rules and regulations, the participant's doubts were well clarified for registering the company with the TSBDB for access to biological resources for commercial purpose. Also the Member Secretary has given assurance of giving support to for filling the Form-I.

- The participants has suggested that the bulk Ayurvedic dealers those who are proving the biological resources for the industry for preparing raw drugs and associated activities need be registered.

The Member Secretary has clarified the Board is preparing the database on tradable bioresources and industries of Telangana State, who are using the biological resources for commercial purpose.

- The participants from Ayurvedic industries has requested that to reduce the form-I registration fee.

The Member Secretary told that the issue was already discussed in the expert committee on Access and Benefit Sharing, but the committee was not recommended it since there are various difficulties in reducing the fee and then various sectors involved in this issue and it is very difficult to separate sector specific form-I fee.

- Mrs. Laxmi, suggested to stop the illegal cutting of neem and Tamarind trees for producing charcoal for industrial purpose, since these trees are playing very important role in nature and it needs necessary actions towards conservation and its habitations.
- P. V. Narayana, Chairman and Managing Director, AYUR PHARMA, Hyderabad has requested to exempt the small scale industries that are cultivating the medicinal plants in the back yard and manufacturing the medicines. Since these kind of industries may be affected from the registration of Form-I Fee which is too high for the small scale industry.
- Dr. Srinivasa Rao, a representative from Homeopathic industry, requested Member Secretary to conduct a separate meeting for homeopathic sector as it is very small and separate sector from Ayurvedic industry. He also suggested the Member Secretary for recommending the Homeopathic colleges for keeping the Biodiversity as one of the subject for which Member Secretary responded positively.
- Dr. Vasudeva Rao, PJSTU and Rajasheker, CSA has requested the participants to provide the data for preparing the database on Tradable Biological Resources along with bioresources based industries across Telangana state.

The orientation programme was gone well with positive discussions and decided various future programmes.

List of members attended the Awareness programme at Birla Science center on 02.11.2015

S.no	Name	Institution	Address
1	Dr. U.M.Tripati	Startech Labs	Hyderabad
2	Mukesh Sanghania	Amrita Drugs	Hyderabad
3	K. Siva Prasad	NBA	Hyderabad
4	P.V. Narayana	MMTRKTS	Hyderabad
5	P. Sitaraman	Foor-S Labs	Hyderabad
6	Dr. I. Rajyalakshmi	Varun Herbals	Hyderabad
7	A.R.V. Raj Kumar	Ficus Life Science	Hyderabad
8	P. Sunil Kumar	E-Botanicals	Hyderabad
9	M. Prasanna	-	Hyderabad
10	Mir Masechuddin Ali Khan	GIMP (AY)	Hyderabad
11	Dr. Ghunsundar	Pharmaids	Hyderabad
12	S. Rajesh	NBA	Hyderabad
13	G. Babul Reddy	Agrilife	Hyderabad
14	R. Rishi	Agrilife	Hyderabad
15	G. Anand	Sunnyneem	Hyderabad
16	G. Rajashekar	CSA	Hyderabad
17	G. Ramesh	SR Herbals	Hyderabad
18	Masuzo	SR Herbals	Hyderabad
19	Dr. V. Vasudeva Rao	PJTSAU	Hyderabad
20	R. Sravan Kumar	PJTSAU	Hyderabad

21	K.P. Raj	RK Ayu Center	Hyderabad
22	Dr. K Nandhu Reddy	New Narhan	Hyderabad
23	V. Hanumanth Rao	PJTSAU	Hyderabad
24	A. Peddy Reddy	-	Hyderabad
25	Dr. N. Srinivasa Rao	CCH	Hyderabad
26	G. Sailu	TSBDB	Hyderabad
27	Dr. Shilpi Sharma	TSBDB	Hyderabad
28	V. Lingarao	TSBDB	Hyderabad
29	R. Prasad Babu	TSBDB	Hyderabad
30	K. Lavanya	TSBDB	Hyderabad
31	Archana	TSBDB	Hyderabad
32	G. Sateesh Kumar	TSBDB	Hyderabad
33	M. Venkanna	TSBDB	Hyderabad
34	Thirumalesh	TSBDB	Hyderabad
35	Razzak	TSBDB	Hyderabad
36	Sudhakar	TSBDB	Hyderabad
37	Sabeth	TSBDB	Hyderabad
38	Yogesh	TSBDB	Hyderabad
39	Nagaraju	NBA	Hyderabad
40	Anil	TSBDB	Hyderabad

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