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Nest Bengal Pollution Control Board

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To
The Member Secretary,
W. B. Pollution Control Board
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Sir,

As you are aware that Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and Biological Diversity Rules, 2004 have been enacted by Govt. of India with its basic objectives - i) conservation of biological diversity; ii) sustainable use of its components; iii) fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of the commercial use of biological resources and related knowledge.

Section 7 of the Act states that ‘no person, who is a citizen of India or a body corporate, association or organisation which is registered in India, shall obtain any biological resource for commercial utilisation, or bio-survey and bio-utilization for commercial utilization except after giving prior intimation to the State Biodiversity Board concerned.’

As W. B. Pollution Control Board has the regulatory power for issuing Consent to Establish/Consent to Operate to commercial units, you are requested to refer those units, utilizing bioresources of West Bengal, for obtaining approval from this Board prior to granting Consent to Establish/ Consent to Operate or any other permission by W. B. Pollution Control Board.

I hope the Board will receive your active support and co-operation for effective implementation of the said Act and Rules in the state of West Bengal.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Member Secretary