

## Government of Rajasthan

**Environment Department** 

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To.

All District Collectors.....

Subject: - Constitution of Technical Support Group (TSG) for Biodiversity Management Committees (BMC) at the District level.

Sir,

You may be aware that the Rule 23(9) of Rajasthan Biodiversity Rules, 2010 mandates formulation of Peoples Biodiversity Registers (PBRs). The PB Registers are to be prepared by the Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs)constituted at the level of Gram Panchayat, Panchayat Samiti, Zila Parishad, ULBs etc. The BMCs have to document the Biodiversity available in their area. Hon'able NGT vide its order dated 9th August, 2019 in O.A. No. 347/2016 Chandrabhal Singh V/s Union of India and Others has directed the State Government to Constitute BMCs and formulate the PBRs by January, 2020 falling which the State will have to pay penalty.

In order to prepare quality PBRs, it is essential that the PBR preparation process is appraised at all the levels. To this end, a Technical Support Group (TSG) is to be constituted under your chairmanship with experts from the field of Biodiversity drawn from government agencies, academic field, community and individuals. The expert group will lend support to BMCs in formulation and in maintaining, authenticating and validation of the PBR.

The members of the TSG are to be selected from:-

- Govt. officials from Forest dept, Agriculture, Horticulture, Fishery, Educational &Research Institutes.
- Expert subject matter experts from local public University / college working in the field of biodiversity
- Local Ayurveda /Unani / Traditional Medicine Expert (Government Doctors)

The Deputy Conservator of Forest (DCF) is to be nominated as the Member Secretary of this group at the District Level and he will ensure timely meeting and functioning of the TSG. You are therefore requested to constitute the TSG in your district at the earliest as per the provision of Rule 23(8) of Biodiversity Rules, 2010.

> (Sreya Guha) Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment Government of Rajasthan

> > Date:

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- Secretary, Local Self Government, Rajasthan Jaipur.
- Secretary, National Biodiversity Authority, Chennal.
- 5. Secretary, Environment Department, Rajasthan Jaipur.
- 6. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), Rajasthan Jaipur.
- 7. Regional CCFs, Jodhpur, Jaipur, Udaipur, Bharatpur, Ajmer, Kota, Bhijwara.
- 8. All Territorial DCFs, Rajasthan.

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