

BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY ACT

The Government of India enacted the Biological Diversity Act (BD Act) in 2002 and notified the Rules there-under in 2004 to give effect to the provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity. It describes the diversity of life at gene species and ecosystems level. It is very important to social and economic development of the local population. The Act aims at conservation and sustainable use of biological resources and fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the use of these biological resources and associated knowledge. It stipulates that for accessing biological resources by the researchers/scientists/universities/ educational Institutions for developmental activities need prior approval of the National Biodiversity Authority or the State Biodiversity Boards. Any non-compliance of the act constitutes a cognizable and non-bailable offence. Further details on the Act and Rules can be had from the National Biodiversity Authority website www.nbaindia.org . Hence, TANUVAS is requesting its faculty and scientists to strictly adhere to the provisions of the Act and abide the Rules before accessing the biological resources and for equitable sharing of benefits arising out of its use.

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