

**GOA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD**

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**No. 7/17/2017-18/GSBB/Meet/007/433**

**Dated: 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

To,

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Panaji - Goa
2. The Chief Engineer, Water Resources Department, Porvorim- Goa
3. The Director, Directorate of Agriculture, Panaji - Goa
4. The Director, Directorate of Fisheries, Panaji- Goa.
5. The Director, Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Panaji- Goa.
6. Dr. Antonio Mascarenhas, Dona Paula- Goa
7. Dr. Bhiva Malik, Porvorim- Goa.
8. Shri. Parag Rangnekar, Vasco-da-Gama - Goa
9. Shri. Nirmal Kulkarni, Mapusa - Goa

**Sub: Minutes of the meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (Regular Meeting) of  
Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB), Regular Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup>  
October, 2017 and Continuation Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017.**

Sir/Madam,

With reference to our letter no: 7/17/2017-18/GSBB/Meet/007/439 dated 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 regarding above mentioned subject, kindly be informed that till date no comments were received from any Board Members of GSBB.

Hence same are considered as approved and shall be read as "Minutes of the meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (Regular Meeting) of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 and Continuation Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017", under the Chairmanship of Shri. Manohar Parrikar, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Goa; Minister for Forest & Environment; Chairperson GSBB. And shall


be updated as same on the official website of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB)  
i.e. [www.gsbb.goa.gov.in](http://www.gsbb.goa.gov.in) .

This is for your perusal and office record.

Thanking you.



Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pradip Sarmokadam".

**Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam**  
**Member Secretary, GSBB**

**Copy to:**

- 1) O.S.D to Hon'ble. Chief Minister of Goa, Chairperson, Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB), Secretariat, Porvorim- Goa.
- 2) The Director, Department of Environment, Porvorim- Goa
- 3) The Director, Directorate of Panchayats, Government of Goa, Panaji, Goa.



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 29<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEETING OF GOA  
STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD (GSBB)**

**TYPE OF MEETING:** REGULAR MEETING

**DATE:** 04<sup>th</sup> October, 2017; **TIME:** 4:40 PM ONWARDS

**VENUE:** CONFERENCE HALL, MINISTERIAL BLOCK, SECRETARIAT,  
PORVORIM- GOA

**MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY SHRI. MANOHAR PARRIKAR,  
HON'BLE. CHIEF MINISTER, GOVERNMENT OF GOA,  
CHAIRPERSON, GOA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD (GSBB)**

The following members attended the meeting:

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	<b>Shri. Manohar Parrikar</b> Hon'ble. Chief Minister, Government of Goa; Minister for Forest & Environment and Chairperson, Goa State Biodiversity Board.	<b>Chairperson</b>
2.	<b>Mrs. Sandhya Kamat</b> Director, Directorate of Panchayats, Government of Goa.	<b>Special invitee.</b>
3.	<b>Shri. Parag Nagarsekar</b> Director (Environment), Government of Goa.	<b>Special invitee.</b>
4.	<b>Shri. Ajai Saxena, IFS</b>	<b>Ex Officio Member</b>



	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests. <b>Dr. Anil Kumar, IFS</b> Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Goa.	
5.	<b>Shri. Sandeep Nadkarni</b> Chief Engineer, Department of Water Resources.	Ex Officio Member
6.	<b>Shri. Nelson Figueiredo</b> Director, Directorate of Agriculture.	Ex Officio Member
7.	<b>Dr. Santosh Desai</b> Director, Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services.	Ex Officio Member
8.	<b>Dr. Antonio Mascarenhas</b>	Expert Member
9.	<b>Dr. Bhiva Malik</b>	Expert Member
10.	<b>Shri. Nirmal Kulkarni</b>	Expert Member
11.	<b>Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam</b>	Member Secretary

**There was no representation from Director, Directorate of Fisheries, Ex Officio Member of GSBB and Shri Parag Rangnekar, Expert Member, GSBB was absent for the meeting.**

At the onset, Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam, Member Secretary, Goa State Biodiversity Board extended a warm welcome to the members of the Board.

**Agenda 1: Confirmation of the proceedings of the 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (regular/ordinary Meeting) of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) held on**


**07<sup>th</sup> October 2016 from 3:00 pm onwards and same continued on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016 from 9:30am onwards:**

The minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were confirmed by the Board Members present for the meeting.

**Agenda 2: Action taken report of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (Regular /Ordinary Meeting) of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) held on 07<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 and same was continued on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016:**

Only the significant points in progress were discussed. The other complied points were circulated for information and compliance was intimated to GSBB Board members.

Agenda 3: Agenda 4 of 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of Goa State Biodiversity Board: Peer to Peer learning and exchange visit programme:

The Board Members unanimously resolved that the Peer to Peer learning and Exchange visit programme can be organized after deciding suitable date of the visit (the tentative date for Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC) members, Exchange learning visit tentative date is from 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017 to 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. The Board Members visit date is yet to be finalized.)

Agenda 3: Agenda 16 of 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of Goa State Biodiversity Board Any other point with permission of Chairperson- b) Decision regarding ESI & PF benefits to be applied to GSBB staff:

The Board Members unanimously resolved that this is a statutory compliance of the Board and should be complied by processing and moving a file to Chairperson, GSBB.



Agenda 8 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of Goa State Biodiversity Board: Need for permanent skeletal staff for GSBB:

It was resolved at the Board meeting that the existing contractual staff may be given an extension of permitted tenure for the staff at GSBB. Further for permanent skeletal staff, Director Environment was advised by Hon'ble. Chief Minister to have central pool of staff recruitment under Department of Environment and this staff may be placed on deputation basis in various Government Bodies covered under Department of Environment including GSBB.

Agenda 10 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of Goa State Biodiversity Board: Opening of the separate bank account of GSBB for collection of Access Benefit sharing (ABS) application fees and other amounts received such as profit percentage:

It was unanimously resolved by the Board members that separate Bank Account in Nationalized Bank or approved Schedule Bank could be opened for GSBB for the above purpose.

Agenda 19 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of GSBB: Project proposals received by GSBB- 4) Project proposal for declaration of Coastal Sand Dune Parks in Goa:

It was resolved by the Board members to restore the Sand Dune Parks in Goa and necessary file to be moved to Chairperson, GSBB for the approval.

Agenda 20 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of GSBB: Issues- 9) Issue regarding Training Wall and Fishing Jetty at Chapora:

It was resolved by the Board members that GSBB should write to Fisheries Department for details.



Agenda 20 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of GSBB: Issues- 11), 12), 13) & 14)

Mini India Park at Quellossim, Cortalim:

It was resolved by the Board members to follow the matter jointly with GCZMA.

Agenda 20 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of GSBB: Issues- 15) Site Inspection at

Colva Lake:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Goa was briefed about the case and inputs from Legal Advisory Group (LAG) of GSBB. It was resolved by the Board members that GSBB should move the necessary file to Chairperson, GSBB for decision.

**Agenda 3: Confirmation of the proceedings of the 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (Special Meeting) of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) held on 08<sup>th</sup> May 2017 from 2:30pm onwards:**

The minutes of the 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were confirmed by the Board Members present for the meeting.

**Agenda 4: Action taken report of 28<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting (Special Meeting) of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB) held on 08<sup>th</sup> May 2017.**

Only the significant points in progress were discussed. The other complied points were circulated for information and compliance was intimated to GSBB Board members.

Agenda 2: Discussion on the urgent issues pertaining to Biodiversity if any:



- a) Complaint from Shri. Arturo D'Souza and 05 others regarding Bondvoll Lake at Santa Cruz, Tiswadi, Goa.

Discussion was held and Chief Engineer, Department of Water Resources provided inputs about committee being constituted which is expected to submit the report. It was also resolved by the Board members that necessary file to be moved to Chairperson, GSBB for directions, if any.

- b) Complaint from Shri. Mateus S. Saldanha regarding St. Estevam Tollem Xet, Tiswadi, Goa:

It was resolved by the Board members that necessary file to be moved to Chairperson, GSBB for directions, if any.

Agenda 4: Creating permanent skeletal staff at GSBB: It has been resolved at the present Board meeting at Agenda 8 of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting of Goa State Biodiversity Board: Need for permanent skeletal staff for GSBB.

Agenda 5: Any other point with the permission of Chairperson

- c) Non-cooperation of Secretaries (some) of village panchayat: there are complaints (mostly verbal & some in writing) and also as reported during cluster meetings of BMCs:

It was resolved at the Board Meeting that the Secretary of Village panchayat has to be BMC Secretary or BMC to choose any Government official from any other Government Department equivalent in pay scale to that of Secretary or above as the BMC Secretary. In this regards file to be processed after taking inputs from Director, Directorate of Panchayats.

**Agenda 5: A) RTI Manual Approval to be approved:**





It was resolved at Board Meeting that the RTI manual is approved for uploading on website.

**B) GSBB Internal Rulebook for Approval:**

It was resolved at the Board meeting that necessary file to be moved to Chairperson GSBB for approval of internal rulebook.

**C) Major activities of GSBB: d) Peer to peer visit (Fixing the date and State for the visit):**

The Board Members resolved that the Peer to Peer learning and Exchange visit programme can be organized after deciding suitable date of the visit (the tentative date for Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC) members, Exchange learning visit (place of visit Telangana State) tentative date is from 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017 to 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. The Board Members visit date is yet to be finalized (place of visit is Gujarat State).

**Agenda 6: Renovation of premises of office of GSBB and Campus- Space for Biodiversity Park joint project with Department of Ayush:**

It is resolved at the Board meeting that the renovation of premises of office of GSBB to be carried out.

However, campus space for Biodiversity Park joint project with Department of Ayush being an Administrative matter shall be dealt through Administrative procedure.

**Agenda 7: Strengthening of Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs):**



- a) Salary for Secretary BMC: It was resolved at the Board meeting that no additional salary shall be paid to the BMC Secretary for performing the functions of BMC.

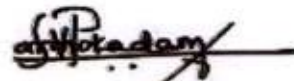
**Agenda 8: Approval of Rating System for BMC:**

It was resolved at the Board meeting that a committee has to be appointed and accordingly design the rating criteria and move a file to chairperson GSBB for necessary approval.

Chairperson GSBB also enquired about signatories and advised to have at least two signatories for GSBB accounts.

The Board Meeting was paused due to time constraints and it was decided that the agendas starting from Agenda 9 onwards have been carried forward and will be discussed in the subsequent Board meeting to be held shortly. However, the agenda could be made more objective and the maximum decisions could be taken by processing file to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Goa; Chairperson, GSBB. Hence, revised agenda would be issued for the next Board Meeting.

The tentative date proposed for next Board meeting of GSBB is on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017.



Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam  
Member Secretary, GSBB



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 29<sup>TH</sup> BOARD MEETING  
(CONTINUATION MEETING OF 04<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017) OF GOA  
STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD (GSBB)**

**TYPE OF MEETING: REGULAR MEETING (CONTINUATION  
MEETING)**

**DATE: 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2017; TIME: 7:15 PM ONWARDS**

**VENUE: OFFICIAL RESIDENCE OF HON'BLE. CHIEF MINISTER,  
GOVERNMENT OF GOA, "MAHALAXMI", ALTINHO, PANAJI- GOA.**

**MEETING WAS CHAIRED BY SHRI. MANOHAR PARRIKAR,  
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2.	<b>Shri. Parag Nagarsekar</b>  Director (Environment), Government of Goa.	Special invitee
3.	<b>Shri. Ajai Saxena, IFS</b>  Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.	Ex Officio Member



4.	<b>Shri. P. J. Kamat, Representative of</b> Chief Engineer, Department of Water Resources.	Ex Officio Member
5.	<b>Ms. Ana Camara, Deputy Director, Representative of</b> Director, Directorate of Agriculture.	Ex Officio Member
6.	<b>Dr. Santosh Desai</b> Director, Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services.	Ex Officio Member
7.	<b>Dr. Antonio Mascarenhas</b>	Expert Member
8.	<b>Dr. Bhiva Malik</b>	Expert Member
9.	<b>Shri. Parag Rangnekar</b>	Expert Member
10.	<b>Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam</b>	Member Secretary

**Director, Directorate of Fisheries, Ex Officio Member of GSBB and, Shri. Nirmal Kulkarni, Expert Member, GSBB, were unable to attend the meeting.**

At the onset, Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam, Member Secretary, Goa State Biodiversity Board extended a warm welcome to the members of the Board.

**Agenda 1 to Agenda 7 a) & b): Were discussed during the previous meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2017.**

**Agenda 7: Strengthening of Biodiversity Management Committee's (BMCs)**

**c) Separate working office/premises for BMC's. (e.g. Rachol- BMC has received a fund sanctioned for office premises):**



It was reiterated that the office of the local governing body the Village Panchayat by default will also be the office of Biodiversity Management Committee of the Village Panchayat.

**Agenda 8: Approval of Rating System for BMC:**

Decision to be taken by setting up the committee of Board members and process file to Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB

**Agenda 9: Bridavakya of Goa State Biodiversity Board (GSBB)**

Decision to be taken by setting up the committee of Board members and process file to Chairperson, GSBB

**Agenda 10: Mark/Logo for Access Benefit Sharing (ABS), signatories and identifying them for smooth response throughout Govt. system:**

The Board agreed to choose a 'Mark' by holding a competition for the same and this 'Mark' to be termed as 'ABS Agreement Signatory', to be displayed on products produced by using Bioresources for which the Company/ Manufacturing Unit which produces the same has signed an ABS agreement with GSBB and have done the necessary payment. This 'Mark' will serve as an encouragement to the companies signing ABS agreements with GSBB, but in no way, GSBB mark is related to the assurance of quality or the other aspects of the product, hence it is only indicator that ABS agreement is signed by the concerned party.

**Agenda 11: A) Criteria of Conservation and Restoration Cell:**

Process initiated and on going.

**B) Contract Renewal of Staff at GSBB:**



**1. Contract of Staff at GSBB was extended for the period of Six months w.e.f. 01<sup>st</sup> June 2017 till 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017:**

Further decision taken on file, processed to Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB.

**2. Appointment of Project Assistant II:**

The Board was informed that Project Assistant II has been appointed on contract of one year.

**Agenda 12: A) Need of full time Legal Assistant for the Goa State Biodiversity Board:**

The Board was informed that this post is included in proposed Skeletal staff. **Proposed by:** Dr. Bhiva Malik, Expert Member, &  
**Seconded by:** Dr. Antonio Mascarenhas, Expert Member.

**B) Permanent Skeletal Staff at GSBB: (Proposal to be placed before the Board):**

GSBB authorized Hon'ble. Chairperson to approve as per discussion during the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, accordingly file is processed. **Proposed by:** Shri. Parag Rangnekar, Expert Member, &  
**Seconded by:** Dr. Bhiva Malik, Expert Member.

**Agenda 13: Budget of GSBB for the financial year 2017-18:**



The proposed budget for 2017-18 was placed before the Board and Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB, advised that Department of Environment to ensure involvement of GSBB in budget process for inclusion.

**Agenda 14: Issues:**

- a) Site inspection requests (criteria's need to be framed) – Pending requests for biodiversity study a) Request received from Borim Development Trust dated 25.05.2017 b) Request received from Cansaulim-Arossim-Quelim BMC dated 24.08.2017:**

The Board decided that each complaint or request for biodiversity study is to be scrutinized and acted upon on case to case basis and accordingly complaint to be forwarded to relevant concerned departments for necessary action. Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB, advised to take legal opinion in framing the reply to such requests and complaints and to take decisions as suggested.

Further the Board decided that henceforth GSBB to strictly follow the mandate of the Biological Diversity Act 2002, & Rules 2004, and the Goa Biological Diversity Rules, 2017, while addressing complaints/ requests received by GSBB, those within the legal framework to be acted upon & others to be dealt as per legal advice.

- b) Site inspection carried out by GSBB (05 Nos.)... (details given in Annexure – I):**

Was placed for information of Board. But henceforth decision to be taken as discussed above.



**c) Complaint received and forwarded to concerned departments (28 Nos.)... (details given in Annexure- II):**

Was placed for information of Board. But henceforth decision to be taken as discussed above.

**d) Legal Matters (09 Nos.). (details given in Annexure- III):**

Was placed for information of Board.

**Agenda 15: RTI Applications received and processed by GSBB (07 Nos.) .... (given in Annexure-IV ) :**

Was placed for information of Board.

**Agenda 16: Proposals received by GSBB:**

It was unanimously resolved to propose small review committee of GSBB Expert Members to decide and put up file to Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB. Presently GSBB already associates with the relevant programs instead of funding.

**a) Proposal for Funding to the Dragonfly India Meet – 2017 to be held on 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – by Shri. Parag Rangnekar, Expert Member, GSBB.**

Member Secretary, GSBB, appraised the Board Members about support extended from UNEP-GEF-ABS Project program fund to the Dragonfly India Meet – 2017




- b) Proposal for funding received from Green Cross. (Rescue experts training funds request.)**

**List is of rescue experts given is obsolete and hence GSBB may think of APP from remaining NBA fund in association of Forest Department.)**

Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB directed to forward the proposal to Forest Department.

**Agenda 17: Approving criteria for Goa State Biodiversity Awards for 02 individuals and 02 Biodiversity Management committees in the State of Goa:**

Was discussed in Action Taken Report of 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting at the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017. It was resolved to constitute a committee of GSBB Expert Members for the same.

**Agenda 18: Any other point with permission of Chairperson:**

- a) Possibility of utilizing CAMPA funds for PBR, TSGs or BMCs directly for maintenance of Green Cover, strengthening of TSGs by way of providing tool kits, GPS, camera, etc:**

Shri. Ajai Saxena, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests suggested that BMCs of Villages next to the Wild Life Sanctuaries & National Park areas could be provided this support by the Forest Department. Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB, directed that GSBB may forward the proposal to Forest Department for their comments.

- b) BMC Secretary to be changed/optional secretary from the nominated members may be chosen:**



Discussed during the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017.

**c) Remuneration to the Chairman, Members and Secretary of BMC's:**

Discussed during the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017.

**d) AYUSH project to be discussed and concept to be approved during meeting.**

Member Secretary, GSBB briefed the Board about possibility of collaborating with Ministry of AYUSH for joint projects. The Board approved that GSBB may go ahead and take up projects along with Ministry of AYUSH.

**e) NIC proposal submitted and difference in amount to be requested from Govt. through DSTE:**

The Board approved the NIC proposal as against the proposal from ITG and further it was resolved that presently it was not necessary to invite fresh tenders. The difference in amount to be requested from Govt. through DSTE.

**f) ISBN registration for GSBB publications:**

The Board approved that GSBB could apply for International Standard Book Number (ISBN) registration for its publications.



- g) Seed bank committee mentioned below to be approved and NABARD may be approached for further funding:**

Seed bank committee comprising Director of Agriculture; Director of AH&VS; Director, ICAR; General Manager, NABARD; Dr. Nitin Borkar; Shri. A. K. S. Badhuria, GEC- Goa; Shri. Nirmal Kulkarni, Expert Member, GSBB; & 03 more Expert Members (they are required to submit report by December 2017)

As per discussion during the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, file is under process with Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB

- h) 02 books on TBRs and Sacred Groves –priced publications have been proposed – policy guidelines will be developed based on prevailing practices of various Govt. departments.**

As per discussion during the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017, GSBB members committee to frame policy based on existing policies from other Government departments and file to be moved to Chairperson.

- i) Utilization of initial account funding from village panchayat fund for opening of BMC bank account.**

Discussed during the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2017. It was decided by the Board to explore possibility of opening zero balance account. If zero balance account opening is not possible then to open Bank account of BMC initial amount will have to be taken from Village Panchayat funds and later refunded on receipt of BMC funds from GSBB. It was further resolved that GSBB should transfer BMC funds vide NEFT to BMC account.


- j) All bank accounts of GSBB to be opened with SBI/IOB and closure of existing accounts:**

The Board resolved to open new account of GSBB with State Bank of India and to close the existing account of GSBB with Corporation Bank, Pilerne Branch.

**Proposed by:** Dr. Antonio Mascarenhas, Expert Member, &

**Seconded by:** Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam, Member Secretary, GSBB.

- k) Renewal and extension of tenure of Legal Advisory Group (LAG) for further one year. LAG term ends in October, 2017.**

The Board resolved to extend the tenure of Legal Advisory Group (LAG) for further one year.

- l) Conference of parties (COP 23) to be held at Bonn Germany from 6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Intimation received late from Director (Environment) on 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 (last date to submit proposal was 11<sup>th</sup> August 2017).....:**

Was placed for information of the Board regarding delay of receipt of communication by GSBB.

- m) 12<sup>th</sup> National Meeting of State Biodiversity Board to be held on 7<sup>th</sup>& 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at NBA, Chennai.**

Approval for the said tour for attendance by Member Secretary & two Board Members already sought.



- n) **“Swachhta hi Seva”- Swachha Bharat Mission :Cleanliness Drive held on 02<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2017 at Vere Vaghurme village and “Tree Plantation Drive” held on 03<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2017 at Goa Waste Management Corporation (GWMC) campus. Both the programmes were held in the presence of Dr. Madhumita Biswas, Adviser, MoEFCC... :**

Was placed for information of the Board.

- o) **ABS applications processed by NBA for collection of specimens from Goa:**

The Board resolved that GSBB should write to NBA that GSBB should be intimated about details of time, quantity & location of collection of specimens undertaken. And a competent Officer of GSBB along with GSBB Board member and personnel from relevant line departments such as Forest Department, Directorate of Fisheries, etc. should be deputed at the collection site to oversee the process.

**Proposed by:** Shri. Ajai Saxena, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, &

**Seconded by:** Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam, Member Secretary, GSBB.

- p) **Approving Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHSs) in Goa at Rivona, Curtorim & Cortalim:**

The Board approved that the required procedure to be initiated by following the BHS guidelines & the sites were in principle approved.


Detailed reports to be processed to Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB for further action.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks proposed by Hon'ble. Chairperson, GSBB.



Shri. Pradip Sarmokadam  
**Member Secretary, GSBB**