

REPORT ON INAUGURATION OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (BMC) – CUNDAIM.

The Biodiversity Management Committee –Cundaim was inaugurated on 28/11/2015 under the UNEP-GEF-MoEF-ABS project entitle" Strengthening the Implementation of the Biological Diversity Act and Rules with focus on its Access and Benefit Sharing Provisions " which will help in implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, in the State.

Smt. Vidya Kundaikar, Chairperson of the BMC, welcomed the gathering and introduced the dignitaries on the dais. Mrs. Sandhya welcomed the Dignitaries by presenting bouquet of flowers. This was followed by lighting of traditional lamp. The BMC was inaugurated by Dr. Nitin Sawant, Member Secretary, GSBB, the Chief Guest of the function. Besides the school students, Village Panchayat members, BMC members and the locals were also present for the function.

Dr. Sawant spoke on the Genesis of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and on conservation of bio- resources. He also conveyed the objectives of the Convention Biological Diversity. He further mentioned about the UNEP-GEF-MoEF-ABS project that is working on ABS in India. Dr. Sawant further explained about the scope of ABS agreements.

Subsequently the BMC Certificate was handed over to the Chaiperson and members of BMC. Ms. Trupti Jadhav, Scientific Officer, GSBB and SPC UNEP-GEF-MoEF-ABS project informed the gathering about the functions & role of BMC. She also guided the BMC on utilization of funds and Preparation of PBR.

The function concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by the Secretary of the BMC.



Member Secretary

Goa State Bio-diversity Board