

REPORT ON INAUGURATION OF BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (BMC) –VELING-PRIOL.


The Goa State Biodiversity Board is implementing the UNEP-GEF-MoEF-ABS project title " 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. Under the project the Board constituted the Biodiversity Management Committee – Veling-Priol, which was inaugurated on 28/11/2015.

Smt. Aditi Gaude, BMC Member, welcomed the gathering and gave the introductory address. Shri Paresh, Village Panchayat Member presented a bouquet of flowers to the dignitaries this was followed by lighting of the traditional lamp. The BMC was inaugurated at the hands of Dr. Nitin Sawant, Member Secretary, GSBB, the Chief Guest of the function in the presence of Shri. Shivdas Venkatesh Gaude, Zila Panchayat Member, the Guest of Honour. Besides the students of Siksha Sadan High School, 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 briefed 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 Smt. Aditi Gaude.


Member Secretary
Goa State Bio-diversity Board