

F. No. C-12027/51/2022-CS-III
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
CS-III (Biodiversity) Division

Indira Paryvaran Bhawan
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj
New Delhi – 110003
Dated: 19 June 2026

ORDER

Subject: Designation of repositories under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 (as amended 2023)

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 39 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, read with sections 6 and 12 of Notification S.O. 1911(E), dated 8 November, 2006, and in continuation of this Ministry's Orders dated 28 August, 2008; 12 September, 2012; 8 July 2013; 21 January 2020; 25 September 2020; 20 March 2023 and 24 March 2026, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, hereby designates Natural History Museum, Mizoram University, Aizawl as the repository under the Act to keep in safe custody the voucher specimens that belongs to Flora (Pteridophytes-Macro fungi) and Fauna (Reptiles, Amphibians, Moths, Beetles, Fishes, and Butterflies).

2. In accordance with sub-section (2) of Section 39 of the Act, the designated repository shall also keep in safe custody the representative samples, as voucher specimens of the biological material accessed in accordance with the provisions of Section 19 of the Act, along with relevant information related to the material, such as DNA fingerprints, if so required by the National Biodiversity Authority.
3. The designated repository shall also keep in safe custody the type specimen deposited by any person who discovers a new taxon, in accordance with sub-section (3) of Section 39 of the Act.
4. This order issues with the approval of the competent authority.

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