



राष्ट्रीय जैव विविधता प्राधिकरण National Biodiversity Authority

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: “Important Notice to Stakeholders Regarding Filing of e - forms pertaining to IPR (Intellectual Property Rights) Applications under The Biological Diversity (Amendment) Act, 2023” – reg.

It has come to this office attention that many of the stakeholders are incorrectly filing **Form – 3** instead of Form – 8 or Form 7 for forms related to Intellectual Property Rights by persons covered under Section 7 or Section 3(2) respectively.

Stakeholders are hereby informed that the Biological Diversity Act and the corresponding Rules have been amended by the Biological Diversity (Amendment) Act, 2023 and the Biological Diversity (Amendment) Rules, 2024. Accordingly, previous Form III has been amended to Form – 8 or Form 7 for forms related to Intellectual Property Rights by persons covered under Section 7 or Section 3(2) respectively.

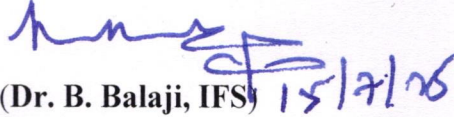
Revised Filing Requirements:

Previous Form as per The Biological Diversity Rules, 2004	Amended Forms as per The Biological Diversity (Amendment) Rules, 2024	Applicable to
Form – III - Application for seeking prior approval of National Biodiversity Authority for applying for Intellectual Property Right	Form – 7 – Application for seeking prior approval on the National Biodiversity Authority before grant of Intellectual Property Rights.	For persons covered under Section 3(2) of the Act.
	Form – 8 - Application for registration with the National Biodiversity Authority before grant of Intellectual Property Rights.	For persons covered under Section 7 of the Act.
	Form – 9 - Application for seeking prior approval on the National Biodiversity Authority for commercialisation of Intellectual Property Rights.	For persons covered under Section 7 of the Act, post registration through Form – 8.
	Form – 6 - Application for seeking prior approval to use the results of research for obtaining intellectual property	Applicable to transferee under Section 3(2)

	rights by the transferee (section 3(2) person)	
	Form – 10 - Form for declaration of the use of biological resource or associated traditional knowledge obtained from any foreign country, in India.	Applicable to Section 3(2) & Section 7

Important Instructions:

- **Application fees paid to the National Biodiversity Authority will not be refunded under any circumstances.** Therefore, stakeholders are advised to file the correct forms as per their eligibility and requirements through <https://absefiling.nic.in/NBA/login/auth>.
- **It is hereby informed to all stakeholders that the name of the applicant provided in the IPR-related forms submitted to the National Biodiversity Authority shall exactly match the applicant's name as entered with the Intellectual Property Office.**
- For further clarification, stakeholders may refer to the Biological Diversity (Amendment) Act, 2023, the Biological Diversity (Amendment) Rules, 2024 and Regulation, 2025.


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