

Minutes of 22nd Meeting of Assam State Biodiversity Board
held on 18th January, 2018 at conference hall of Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur

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A list of those present in this meeting is at **Annexure-I**.

At the outset, the Board felicitated its new Chairperson Shri V. K. Pipersenia, IAS, Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam.

The Chairperson welcomed everyone present in the Meeting and requested the Member Secretary of the Board to initiate Agenda-wise discussions.

Agenda item-2:

1. The Minutes of the 21st Board Meeting were confirmed.

Agenda item-3:

2. The Board was informed of the actions taken on agenda of previous meeting as below:

- i. The proposal of notification of threatened species of plants and animals was forwarded to the MoEFCC, New Delhi for consideration.

- ii. The final version of short documentary films on following selected themes were received:

- a. Subsistence value of Forests (11.35 minutes documentary)
- b. Traditional Knowledge (11.04 minutes documentary)
- c. Human-Animal conflict (11.30 minutes documentary)
- d. Protected Area community interface (12.54 minutes documentary)
- e. Life of a Forest Guard (12.50 minutes documentary)

➤ It was suggested to upload all documentaries on the ASBB website, Facebook and 'YouTube' for awareness and easy accessibility by stakeholders.

- iii. The following proposals of the Board were under consideration of the Government:

- a. Amendment to the Assam Biodiversity Rules-2010.
- b. Organizational structure and draft Service Regulation of the Board.

➤ It was suggested a presentation be made to Additional Chief Secretary, Environment and Forests on both the proposals for expediting approval.

Agenda item-4:

3. The Board was informed that:

- i. The 2nd Internship Program on Biodiversity Conservation held from on 7th of August to 9th November 2018, in which 16 interns participated and sixteen draft PBRs were prepared by these interns.

