

REPORT ON

**Awareness and capacity building workshop  
of Diphu Biodiversity Management  
Committee and Rangapahar Biodiversity  
Management Committee**

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***Venue: Forest IB, Diphu***



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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

An awareness generation and capacity-building workshop was organized for the Chairpersons, Member Secretaries and Members of Diphu Biodiversity Management Committee and Rangapahar Biodiversity Management Committee on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 at Forest IB, Diphu, Karbi Anglong. The workshop was jointly organised by Diphu BMC, Rangapahar BMC and Forest Department of Karbi Anglong, West Division.

## **2. WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION**

The workshop was participated by the members of Diphu BMC and Rangapahar BMC. The workshop was also attended by Assistant Conservator of Forest, Sri Pranab Terang, Range Forest Officer Sri Dhani Rangke Rongpi and other staff of Forest Department.

A list of members present is at Annexure I.

## **3. OBJECTIVE OF THE WORKSHOP**

The objectives of the workshop were as follows:

- i. Awareness and capacity building of the Chairpersons, Member Secretaries and Members of the BMC about the conservation of biodiversity, its sustainable use and fair and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of use of the biological resources.
- ii. Sensitization of the BMC members about the functions of the Biodiversity Management Committee.
- iii. Sensitize the BMC Members about their roles and responsibilities in implementation of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.
- iv. Capacity building of the BMC members on preparation of People's Biodiversity Registers
- v. Capacity building on preparation of action plan and annual reports of the Biodiversity Management Committees

## **4. WORKSHOP PROGRAMME**

- i. Chairperson of Diphu BMC, Sri Jensing Teron welcomed all the Members of Diphu BMC and Rangapahar BMC, Officials from Forest Department and resource person from Assam State Biodiversity Board to the workshop.

- ii. After the welcome address, Sri Pranab Terang, Assistant Conservator of Forest, gave an introductory talk on importance of biodiversity and emphasized on the necessity of conservation of biodiversity and sustainable use of biological resources. He also gave a brief account on how local people can contribute towards conservation of biodiversity and help in implementing the Biological Diversity Act-2002 and Assam Biodiversity Rules 2010.



Sri Pranab Terang, Assistant Conservator of Forest, Central Range, Diphu delivering his talk

- iii. Ms. Manashi Goswami, Technical Assistant, Assam State Biodiversity Board and Co-ordinator of BMC (Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council) gave an introduction to Biological Diversity Act-2002 and Assam Biodiversity Rules 2010. She gave a detailed talk on the functions of Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC), responsibilities of the Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC) and their role in implementation of the Biological Diversity Act-2002.

Detailed information on the preparation of People's Biodiversity Register (PBR) by the BMC was also given to the members of the BMC. Apart from preparation of PBR, a brief idea on preparation of BMC Action Plan for conservation of bio-resources, listing the potential items for consideration of registration as Geographical Indicators (G.I.) and drawing of a micro-plan for sustainable use of local biodiversity which would include medicinal plants and associated traditional knowledge.



Ms. Manashi Goswami, Technical Assistant- ASBB during her talk at the workshop

- iv. During the workshop, members of both the BMCs interacted with the staff of Assam State Biodiversity Board and other forest officials, and discussed about the various activities that can be taken up by the respective BMCs such as the development of medicinal gardens as Karbi Anglong has a rich diversity of medicinal plants. One of the BMC members also suggested for listing the plant *Gnetum gnemon*, locally called as 'Hanthu' for registration as Geographical Indicator.



Interaction of Chairperson of Diphu BMC Sri Jensing Teron during the workshop



Interaction of Forest Range Officer-Rangapahar Range Sri Dhani Rangke Rongpi with the members of the BMCs during the workshop

- v. The workshop ended with a vote of thanks to everyone present in the workshop from the Member Secretary of Diphu BMC Sri K. J. Rengma.

List of attendees present during awareness and capacity-building workshop held at Forest IB Diphu, Karbi Anglong

Sl. No.	Name	Name of the Organisation/BMC & Designation	Contact No.
1	Sri Pranab Terang, AFS	Assistant Conservator of Forest-Central Range, Diphu	9859206031
2	Sri Dhani Rangke Rongpi	Range Forest Officer, Eastern Range, Rangapahar	7002289597
3	Sri Jensing Teron	Chairperson-Diphu BMC	9954519437
4	Sri K. J. Rengma	Secretary – Diphu BMC	7896570755
5	Sri Prabal Dutta	Secretary- Rangapahar BMC	9101842761
6	Sri Dil Bahadur Chetry	Member - Rangapahar BMC	9678455407
7	Sri Romir Khemprai	Member - Rangapahar BMC	9365477411
8	Miss Lisha Langthasa	Woman Member - Rangapahar BMC	6001446637
9	Sri Jemson Rongpi	Member- Diphu BMC	9678204676
10	Miss Sonarish Ronghangpi	Women Member- Diphu BMC	-
11	Smt. Sarly Beypi	Women Member- Diphu BMC	8486522765
12	Smt. Preety Beypi	Women Member- Diphu BMC	6000487534
13	Smt. Phudang Ronghangpi	Member- Diphu BMC	-
14	Smt. Sadhana Timungpi	Member- Diphu BMC	-
15	Sri Daniel Ronpi	Member- Diphu BMC	9954503170
16	Sri Jensing Timung	Member- Diphu BMC	7896039410
17	Sri Jirsong Tisso	Member- Diphu BMC	-
18	Sri Rakesh Rongphar	Member- Diphu BMC	9954885794
19	Smt. Birty Timungpi	Member- Diphu BMC	7577950274
20	Sri Hunsen Rongphar	Diphu BMC	7638083892
21	Sri Nihang Engti	Forester II-Central range Diphu	9365101953
22	Sri Chandra Sing Teron	Forester I-Central Range Diphu	9957434104
23	Sri Chonsing Rongpi	Forester I-Central Range Diphu	-
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