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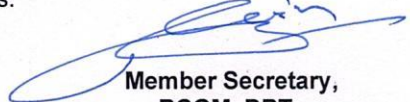
Subject : Nomination of DBT representative in the IBSC of Cotton University (COTTONUNIV-813), .

1. In accordance with the Notification of the Ministry of Environment and Forests vide Gazette Notification No. GSR 1037 (E) dated 05.12.1989, notified under the E.P. Act 1986, the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) had evolved the "Regulations and Guidelines on Biosafety of recombinant DNA Research and Bio containment, 2017 " for achieving personnel and environmental safety in the use of genetically manipulated organisms in research, manufacture and applications. The constitution of the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBSC) is mandatory in R&D Centers at the institutions/ universities/ industries/ any other organization which intends to carry out or are engaged in research activities involving genetic manipulation of genetic materials, microorganisms, plants or animals.
2. In conformity with the above, institutions engaged in genetic engineering research constitute their IBSCs and the department nominate its representatives in all such committees. Accordingly, **Dr PROBODH BORAH, Professor, College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University,, Guwahati, ASSAM** has been nominated to act as a DBT representative in the IBSC constituted at **Cotton University (COTTONUNIV-813) College Hostel Road, Panbazar, Assam .**

The complete composition of the IBSC is as under:

Chairman	:	Dr Bhabesh Chandra Goswami, Chairman, Guwahati, ASSAM
DBT Nominee	:	Dr PROBODH BORAH, Professor, College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University,, Guwahati, ASSAM
Member Secretary	:	Dr Raju Bharalee, Member Secretary, Guwahati, ASSAM
Outside Experts	:	Dr Debabrat Baishya, Outside Expert, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Pranjan Barman, Outside Expert, Guwahati, ASSAM
Biosafety Officer	:	Dr Sumi Deka, Biosafety Officer, Guwahati, ASSAM
Internal Experts	:	Dr Akalesh Kumar Verma, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Hrishikesh Upadhyaya, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Leena Borah, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Mausumi Ganguly, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Nameirakpam Nirjanta Devi, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Namram Sushindrajit Singh, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM## Dr Purabi Deka Bose, Internal Member, Guwahati, ASSAM

3. The DBT nominee serves as the link between the department and the respective IBSC. The nominee should ensure that:
 - the committee has been constituted as per the norms of the guidelines,
 - the Recombinant DNA Safety Guidelines are strictly followed in the company,
 - the IBSC meets regularly (at least twice in a year) to review the ongoing activities and provide yearly reports to RCGM/ DBT in the prescribed proforma,
 - all the activities within the purview of the guidelines are in the knowledge of RCGM/DBT and to guide the IBSC on biosafety issues.
 - the IBSC will follow the 'Simplified Procedures/ Guidelines on Exchange (inter-state and inter- institutional supply/ receipt within India), Import and Export of Genetically Engineered Organism and Product(s) thereof for research Purpose', as per the Department's OM dated 22-09-2015.
4. **He/she will work for 3 years on the respective committee. On the expiry of term of nominee, institution/ organizations are required to reconstitute its IBSC in prescribed proforma.**
5. The DBT, on the expiry of the term of its nominee shall re-nominate or appoint a new nominee, and such nomination shall be communicated to the institutes/ organizations.
6. Any special invitee/s to IBSC should be communicated to RCGM/ or taken prior approval.
7. **The IBSC of the institution will meet at least twice in a year. The institutes having the IBSC are required to submit yearly report of progress (1st January to 31st December) within one month, following the expiry of the period of Progress Report to the DBT for enabling the proper monitoring and consolidation of this information by the RCGM and the Government.**
8. The institute will meet the TA/DA & honorarium to the DBT nominee as per the GOI norms.

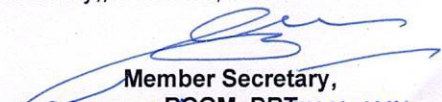

Member Secretary,
RCGM, DBT

To

Dr Bhabesh Chandra Goswami, Chairman, Guwahati, ASSAM

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