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The National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) established in 2003 to implement India's Biological Diversity Act (2002) performs facilitative, regulatory and advisory functions for the Government of India on issues of conservation, sustainable use of biological resources and fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the use of biological resources in line with the mandate of Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). Operationally, the State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) and Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) are bodies established at the sub-national and local levels towards implementation of this legislation.

The State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) established under the Biological Diversity Act (2002) are advising the State Governments on all the matters relating to implementation of the said Act. The local level Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) are responsible for implementing the mandate of the legislation and documentation of biological diversity and chronicling of knowledge relating to biological diversity in the form of People's Biodiversity Registers (PBRs). Under the provisions of the Act, State Governments also notify areas of biodiversity importance as Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS) to instil conservation ethics, promote community conservation, restrict overexploitation and enhance the quality of life of the local communities.

This document presents the images of some of the blodiversity icons identified by the 28 States of the country alongwith the current status on the establishment of BMCs and formulation of PBRs by all the SBBs in the country. I compliment the NBA team for preparation of the document.

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Ensuring biodiversity conservation, promoting sustainable use of nature and feeding humanity through water and food security are complementary and closely interdependent goals that can be advanced through sustainable forestry, agriculture, aquaculture and livestock systems, the safeguarding of native species, varieties, breeds and habitats, and ecological restoration. This idea is central to the mandate of UN Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), adapted universally by almost all the countries including India in 1992. In order to fulfil India's commitment towards this multilateral treaty, legislation was enacted in the form of Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

India established the National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) in 2003 to implement the said Act and subsequently the State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) have been established to spearhead the biodiversity governance at the national and state level respectively. The SBBs focus on matters relating to the conservation of biodiversity, sustainable use of its components and equitable sharing of the benefits arising out of the utilization of biological resources. The local level Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) are responsible for promoting conservation, sustainable use and documentation of biological diversity and chronicling of associated knowledge in the form of People's Biodiversity Register (PBR). Till date, 2, 19, 512 BMCs have been established and 13,732 PBRs have been made. Efforts are currently on to expand their coverage on a pan-India basis.

India's unique biogeographical attributes and topographical features endow it with a diversity of terrains, terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems that harbour a rich biodiversity as manifested in all the states across the country. For conservation and management of India's natural heritage, the SBBs are actively engaged and are eliciting cooperation from local communities and ensuring that their livelihoods are appropriately enhanced by implementation of the "Access and Benefit Sharing" framework. This publication presents a brief profile of all 28 SBBs of the country. I would like to compliment the NBA staff for their efforts in bringing out this publication.

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ANDHRA PRADESH

State Icons

- Dance of Kuchipudi
- Godavari
- Coringa mangroves
- Visakhapattanam
- Pulihora

State Bird Indian Roller (Coracias benghalensis)

ANDHRA PRADESH

Year of Establishment: 20 May 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 21 August 2009





State Animal Black Buck (Antilope cervicapra)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **7231** BMCs constituted at District, Mandal, Municipalities and Zilla Parishads

People's Biodiversity Register

• 107 PBRs prepared at village level



State Tree **Neem** (Azadirachta indica)



State Flower Lotus (Nelumbo nucifera)

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

State Icons

- Hornbill
- Hoolock gibbon
- Brahmaputra (Siang river)
- Tawang
- Monpa tribe
- Apong ora

State Bird Great Indian Hornbill (Buceros bicornis)



ARUNACHAL PRADESH

Year of Establishment: 15 March 2005 Promulgation of State Rules: 6 July 2011

Biodiversity Management Committee

• 166 BMCs constituted at village Panchayats

People's Biodiversity Register

• 77 PBRs prepared so far at village Panchayats



State Animal Hoolock Gibbon (Bunopithecus hoolock)



State Tree Hollong (Dipterocarpus) macrocarpus)



State Flower Lady slipper orchid (Paphiopedilum insigne)

ASSAM

State Icons

- River Brahmaputra
- Indian Rhinoceros
- Pygmy hog
- Majuli River Island
- Bihu
- Mekhla

State Animal Indian one-horned Rhinoceros (Rhinoceros unicornis)

ASSAM

Year of Establishment: 29 September 2010 Promulgation of State Rules: 24 February 2010

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **2540** BMCs constituted at district, anchalik and village panchayats

People's Biodiversity Register

• **1238** PBRs prepared at anchalik and village panchayats

Biodiversity Heritage Site

• The largest River Island, Majuli has been declared as the first Biodiversity Heritage Site from Assam

Majuli is the second largest river island in the world, and comprises of a large riverine island with innumerable small islets, locally called *Chapories*



State Bird White winged Wood Duck





State Tree Hollong (Dipterocarpus macrocarpus)



State Flower Foxtail orchid (Rhynchostylis retusa)



BIHAR

State Icons

- Champaran
- Ganges River
- Ganges Dolphin
- Emperor Ashoka
- Chanakya
- Shahi Litchi
- Chhath Puja
- Litti Chokha
- Madhubani Printing

State Animal Gaur (Bos gaurus)

BIHAR

Year of Establishment: 21 December 2009 Promulgation of State Rules: Awaited

Constitution of BMCs and preparation of PBRs are in progress



State Bird Indian Roller (Coracias benghalensis)



State Tree Peepal (Ficus religiosa)



State Flower **Kachnar** (Bauhinia variegata)

CHHATTISGARH

State Icons

- Asiatic Water buffalo
- Chitrakoot Falls
- Bastar
- Dokra art of Bastar

State Bird **Hill Myna** (Gracula religiosa)

CHHATTISGARH



Year of Establishment: 16 February 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 26 June 2015

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **10873** BMCs constituted so far at Districts, Blocks, village panchayats and urban bodies.

People's Biodiversity Register

• 48 PBRs prepared at Village Panchayats



State Animal Asian Water Buffalo (Bubalus arnee)



State Tree Sal (Shorea robusta)

GOA

State Icons

- Baga beach
- Goa carnival
- Zuari River
- Doodhsagar Falls
- Grande Island (Ilha Grande)
- Striped Grey Mullet
- Wonder fruit kokum

State Flower **Champa** (Plumeria rubra)

GOA

Year of Establishment: 13 April 2004 Promulgation of State Rules: 9 March 2017





State Animal **Gaur** (Bos gaurus)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• 205 BMCs constituted at village panchayat and urban body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• 183 PBRs prepared at village Panchayats



State Tree Matti (Terminalia elliptica)



State Bird Ruby Throated Yellow Bulbul (Brachypus gularis)

GUJARAT

State Icons

- Rann of Kutch
- Asiatic Lion
- Jamnagar marine Park
- Corals
- Narmada River
- Kutch festival
- Garba
- Dandiya
- Dhokla
- Bandhni/bandhej art

State Animal Asiatic Lion (Panthera leo persica)

GUJARAT

Year of Establishment: 11 May 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 18 February 2010



Biodiversity Management Committee

• **7698** BMCs constituted at Block , Gram Panchayat and Urban bodylevel

People's Biodiversity Register

• **1342** PBRs prepared at Block and Village Panchayats



State Bird Greater Flamingo (Phoenicopterus rubber)



State Tree **Banyan** (Ficus benghalensis)

State Flower Marigold (Calendula officinalis)

HARYANA

State Icons

- Kurukshetra
- Shivalik Hills
- Sultanpur Bird Sanctuary
- Ghaggar River basin
- Rock Garden
- Chandigarh
- Panipat

State Animal Black buck (Antilope cervicapra)

HARYANA

Year of Establishment: 2006 (operational, since 2018) Promulgation of State Rules: Awaited

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **6538** BMCs constituted at District, Block and village Panchayats

People's Biodiversity Register

• Currently, preparation of **126** PBRs are in progress







State Tree Peepal (Ficus religiosa)



State Flower Lotus (Nelumbo nucifera)



HIMACHAL PRADESH

State Icons

- Apple
- Lahul Spiti valley
- Shimla
- Beas River
- Sutlej and Chenab
- Rohtang Pass
- Kinnaur
- Kullu

State Animal Snow leopard (Uncia uncia)

HIMACHAL PRADESH

Year of Establishment: 14 February 2005 Promulgation of State Rules: Awaited





State Bird Western Tragopan (Tragopan melanocephalus)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **3349** BMCs constituted at the District, Block, village panchayats and Urban body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• **211** PBRs prepared so far at the district, block and village panchayat levels



State Tree Deodar (Cedrus deodara)



State Flower Rhododendron (Rhododendron campanulatum)

JHARKHAND

State Icons

- Trikut Hills
- Hazaribagh
- Chotanagpur Plateau
- Subarnarekha River
- Ranchi
- City of waterfalls
- Parasnath Range

State Animal Asian elephant (Elephas maximus)

JHARKHAND



Year of Establishment: 20 December 2002 Promulgation of State Rules: 1 April 2007



State Bird Koel (Eudynamys scolopacea)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **4302** BMCs constituted at Zilla parishad , Block ,Village and Urban body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• 483 PBRs prepared at Gram panchayat level



State Tree Sal (Shorea robusta)



State Flower **Palash** (Butea monosperma)

KARNATAKA

State Icons

- Western Ghats
- Sholas
- Coorg
- Coffee
- Mysore
- Dussera festival
- Kali River
- Tungabhadra
- Hampi
- Agumbe
- Yakshagana

State Tree **Sandal** (Santalum album)

KARNATAKA

Year of Establishment: 21 November 2003 Promulgation of State Rules: 3 May 2006

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Biodiversity Management Committee

 6152 BMCs constituted at District, Block, village panchayats and Urban body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• 2035 PBRs prepared so far at District, Block, village panchayats and Urban body level

Biodiversity Heritage Site

04 Biodiversity Heritage Sites notified so far

- Nallur tamarind groves, Bengaluru
- Hogrekan, Chikmagalur District
- University of Agricultural Sciences, GKVK Campus, Bengaluru
- Ambaragudda, Shimoga District



State Animal Asian elephant (Elephas maximus)





State Bird Indian Roller (Coracias benghalensis)

State Flower Lotus (Nelumbo nucifera)

KERALA

State Icons

- Alappuzha
- backwaters
- Vembanad lake
- Eravikulam Park
- Neela Kurinjee
- Munnar
- Kovalam
- Periyar
- Spices of Kerala
- Kathakali

State Bird **Great hornbill** (Buceros bicornis)

KERALA

Year of Establishment: 28 February 2005 Promulgation of State Rules: 15 April 2009



Biodiversity Management Committee

 1037 BMCs constituted at Village Panchayats and Urban Bodies

People's Biodiversity Register

• **1034** PBRs prepared at Village Panchayats and Urban Bodies



State Animal Asian elephant (Elephas maximus indicus)



State Tree Coconut (Cocos nucifera)



State Flower **Golden shower** (Cassia fistula)

MADHYA PRADESH

State Icons

- Tiger
- Chambal River
- Jal Mahotsav
- Sanchi Stupa
- Bhimbetka rock
- Marble rock
- Panchmari
- Mowgli & Kipling
 country

State Animal Swamp Deer / Barasingha (Cervus duvaucelii)

MADHYA PRADESH

Year of Establishment: 11 April 2005 Promulgation of State Rules: 17 December 2004





State Bird Paradise Flycatcher (Terpsiphone paradise)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **30,889** BMCs constituted at Districts, Blocks, Village Panchayats and Urban bodies

People's Biodiversity Register

935 PBRs prepared so far at Village Panchayats



State Tree **Banyan** (Ficus benghalensis)



State Flower **Palas** (Butea monosperma)

MAHARASHTRA

State Icons

- Ratnagiri
- Ajanta Ellora Caves
- Sahyadri Mountain range
- Lonavala
- Kondana caves
- Raigad
- Sindhudurg
- Malvan
- Panchgani
- Matheran

State Bird **Green Imperial pigeon** (Ducula aenea)

MAHARASHTRA

Year of Establishment: 2 January 2012 Promulgation of State Rules: 10 December 2008



Biodiversity Management Committee

• 28538 BMCs constituted at District, Block, Village Panchayats and Urban Body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• **435** PBRs prepared at District, Village Panchayats and Urban Body Level

Biodiversity Heritage Site

- 01 BHS declared so far
- Glory of Allapalli, Gadchiroli district



State Animal Giant Squirrel (Ratufa indica)



State Tree Mango (Mangifera indica)



State Flower Jarul (Lagerstroemia speciosa)

MANIPUR

State Icons

- Loktak
- Dancing deer (Sangai)
- Manipuri Dance
- Imphal River
- Tamenglong
- Ukhrul
- Thoubal River
- Manipur Polo
- Chamthong and Eromba (Food)

State Bird Hume's bar Tailed Pheasant (Syrmaticus humiae)

MANIPUR

Year of Establishment: 3 April 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 5 March 2009



Biodiversity Management Committee

 1219 BMCs constituted at Village Panchayats and Traditional bodies

People's Biodiversity Register

• **37** PBRs prepared so far at the traditional bodies

Biodiversity Heritage Site

- 01 Biodiversity Heritage Site notified so far
- Dialong Village, Tamenglong district



State Animal Sangai (Cervus eldi eldi)



State Tree **Toon** (Toona ciliata)



State Flower Shirui Lily (Lilium mackliniae)

MEGHALAY

State Icons

- Garo Hills
- Seven Sister Falls
- Shillong
- Limestone cave
- Living root bridge
- Garo
- Khasi and Jainti tribes
- Dawki and Umngot River
- Jhum Cultivation

State Animal Clouded Leopard (Neofelis nebulosa)

MEGHALAYA

Year of Establishment: 9 May 2012 Promulgation of State Rules: 30 August 2010

Biodiversity Management Committee

• 1713 BMCs constituted at village level

People's Biodiversity Register

• 45 PBRs prepared so far

Biodiversity Heritage Site

01 Biodiversity Heritage Site notified so far

Khlaw Kur Syiem Kmielng, Ri-Bhoi district



State Bird Hill Myna (Gracula religiosa)



State Tree Gamar / White Teak (Gmelina arborea)



State Flower Lady Slipper Orchid (Paphiopedilum insigne)



MIZORAM

State Icons

- Lushai Hills
- Phawngpui Hills
- Palak Lake
- Blue Mountain National Park
- Barak
- Tlawng & Karnaphuli River
- Chapchar Kut festival
- Puan (Dress)

State Animal Serow (Naemorhedus sumatraensis)

MIZORAM

Year of Establishment: 17 February 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 17 August 2011

Biodiversity Management Committee

• 640 BMCs constituted at village level

People's Biodiversity Register

• 5 PBRs prepared at so far at village panchayats



State Bird Hume's bar Tailed Pheasant (Syrmaticus humiae)



State Tree Iron Wood (Mesua ferrea)



State Flower Red Vanda / Senhri (Renanthera imschootiana)

NAGALAND

State Icons

- Amur Falcon
- Great Indian Hornbill
- Dzukou Valley
- Mokokchung
- Dhansiri River
- Veda Peak
- Hornbill festival
- Naga / King chilly
- Traditional Naga Dress

State Bird **Blyth's Tragopan** (Tragopan blythii)

NAGALAND



Year of Establishment: 14 March 2005 Promulgation of State Rules: 2012



State Animal Mithun (Bos frontalis)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **827** BMCs constituted so far at Village Panchayats

People's Biodiversity Register

• 18 PBRs prepared at Village Panchayats



State Tree Alder (Alnus nepalensis)



State Flower Nithu (Rhododendron arboreum)

ODISHA

State Icons

- Olive Ridley Turtle
- Chilika Lake
- Manglajodi
- Crocodile in Bhitarkanika
- Konarak
- Jagganath Temple
- Chandipur & Puri Beach
- Mahanadi River & Hirakud Dam
- Silver Filigree
- Odishi dance
- Sand Art

State Animal Sambar (Cervus unicolor)

ODISHA

Year of Establishment: 11 November 2009 Promulgation of State Rules: 3 December 2012





State Bird Indian Roller (Coracias benghalensis)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **5592** BMCs constituted at the Village Panchayat and Urban Body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• **111** PBRs prepared so far at the village Panchayat level

Biodiversity Heritage Site

- **01 Biodiversity Heritage Site notified**
- Mandasaru, Kandhamal district



State Tree **Pipal** (Ficus religiosa)



State Flower **Asoka** (Saraca asoka)

PUNJAB

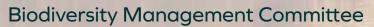
State Icons

- Agricultural field (Wheat/Maize)
- River Beas
- Chenab
- Sutlej
- Jhelum and Ravi
- Harike Wetland
- River dolphin in Beas
- Chole Bhature
- Sarson ki saag & makke di roti
- Bhangra dance
- Baisakhi festival
- Paranda
- Phulkari

State Bird **Eastern Goshawk** (Astrus gentilis gentilis)

PUNJAB

Year of Establishment: 23 December 2004 Promulgation of State Rules: 21 November 2016



 10015 BMCs constituted at District, Block and Village Panchayats

People's Biodiversity Register

• 43 PBRs prepared at District and Village level





State Tree **Sheesam** (Dalbergia sissoo)



RAJASTHA

State Icons

- Thar Desert
- Aravalli Mountains
- Mehrangarh Fort & blue city
- Jodhpur
- Chambal & Luni River
- Pushkar & Camel Fair
- Hawa Mahal
- Ranthambhore National Park
- Bharatpur
- Kundan Jwellery
- Blue Pottery
- Dal Baati & Churma

State Animal Camel (Camelus dromedaries)

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RAJASTHAN

Year of Establishment: 14 September 2010 Promulgation of State Rules: 2 March 2009



State Bird Great Indian Bustard (Ardeotis nigriceps)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **10132** BMCs constituted so far at District, Block and Village panchayat level

People's Biodiversity Register

• Preparation of **94** PBRs is in progress



State Tree Khejri (Prosopis cineraria)



State Flower **Rohira** (Tecomella undulata)

SIKKIM

State Icons

- Teesta River
- Nathula Pass & Silk Route
- Yak
- Gurudongmar Lake
- Yumthang Valley
- Kangchenjunga
- Thukpa
- Momo
- Churpi

State Animal **Red Panda** (*Ailurus fulgens*)

SIKKIM

Year of Establishment: 7 March 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 18 September 2006

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **114** BMCs constituted so far at Village Panchayat level

People's Biodiversity Register

• 62 PBRs prepared at Village Panchayat level



State Bird Blood Pheasant (Ithaginis cruentus affinis)



State Tree Rhododendron (Rhododendron niveum)



State Flower **Noble orchid** (Dendrobium nobile)

TAMIL NADU

State Icons

- Dosa, Idli and Sambar
- Kanya Kumari
- Coral reefs Gulf of Mannar
- Pichavaram mangroves
- Bharatnatyam
- Thanjavur Paintings

State Animal Nilgiri Tahr (Hemitragus hylocrius)

TAMIL NADU

Year of Establishment: 29 April 2008 Promulgation of State Rules: 9 November 2017





Biodiversity Management Committee

• **1049** BMCs constituted at Block, Village Panchayats and Urban Bodies



State Bird Emerald Dove (Chalcophaps indica)



State Tree Palmyra palm (Borassus flabellifer)



State Flower **Kandhal** (Gloriosa superba)

TELANGANA

State Icons

- Chaar Minar
- Godarvari & Krishna River
- Golconda Fort
- Hussain Sagar Lake
- Kammam Fort
- Medak
- Nalgonda
- Osman Sagar
- Sarva Pindi

State Animal Chital, Indian Spotted Deer (Axis axis)

TELANGANA

Year of Establishment: 25 October 2014 Promulgation of State Rules: 14 May 2015

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **9634** BMCs constituted at District, Mandal, Village Panchayats and Urban bodies

People's Biodiversity Register

• 213 PBRs prepared so far at village Panchayat level

Biodiversity Heritage Site

01 BHS has been notified so far

Ameenpur Lake, Sangareddy district



State Bird Indian Roller (Coracias benghalensis)



State Tree Jammi (Prosopis cineraria)



State Flower Tangedu (Senna auriculata)

TRIPURA

State Icons

- Neer Mahal
- Ujjayanta Palace
- Unokoti
- Jampui Hills
- Bamboo handicrafts
- Clouded leopard
- Mui borok

State Animal **Phayre's leaf monkey** (Trachypithecus phayrei)

TRIPURA

Year of Establishment: 16 June 2008 Promulgation of State Rules: 29 November 2008



State Bird Green imperial pigeon (Ducula aenea)

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **1251** BMCs constituted at District, Block, Village Panchayats and Urban bodies

People's Biodiversity Register

• **482** PBRs prepared so far at Block and Village Panchayats



State Tree Agar (Aquilaria malaccensis)



State Flower **Nageshwar** (Mesua ferrea)

UTTARAKHAND

State Icons

- Nainitaal
- Kedar Nath
- Gangotri
- Valley of Flowers
- Ganges & Haridwar
- Alkananda River
- Pithoragarh
- Jim Corbett & Haldwani

State Bird **Monal** (Lophophorus impejanus)

UTTARAKHAND



Year of Establishment: 1 April 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 4 January 2017



State Animal Himalayan Musk deer (Moschus chrysogaster)

Biodiversity Management Committee

 6249 BMCs constitued at Block, Village panchayat and Urban body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• **3240** PBRs prepared so far at Block and Village Panchayats





State Tree Burans (Rhododendron arboreum)

State Flower Brahma Kamal (Saussurea obvallata)

UTTAR PRADESE

State Icons

- Ganges
- Yamuna
- Kumbh Mela
- Lucknow chikankari
- Jhansi Fort
- Aloo paratha

State Bird **Sarus Crane** (Grus antigone)

UTTAR PRADESH

Year of Establishment: : 20 September 2006 Promulgation of State Rules: 9 April 2010

Biodiversity Management Committee

• **58782** BMCs constituted at District and Village Panchayats

People's Biodiversity Register

• **917** PBRs prepared so far at District and Village Panchayats

Biodiversity Heritage Site

01 Biodiversity Heritage Site has been notified

Kukrail Gharial Rehabilitation Centre, Lucknow





State Tree Ashok (Saraca asoka)



State Flower Brahma Kamal (Saussurea obvallata)



WEST BENGAL

State Icons

- Howrah Bridge
- Hooghly River
- Hilsha fish
- Ro<mark>sogolla</mark>
- Mishti Doi
- Mangrove tiger
- Tea Gardens of Darjeeling hills
- Tagore & Shantiniketan

State Animal Fishing Cat (Prionailurus viverrinus)

WEST BENGAL

Year of Establishment: : 16 September 2004 Promulgation of State Rules: 2 May 2006



Biodiversity Management Committee

• **2957** BMCs constituted so far at District, Block, Village and urban Body level

People's Biodiversity Register

• **431** PBRs prepared so far at Block, Village and Urban bodies

Biodiversity Heritage Site

03 Biodiversity Heritage Sites have been notified so far

- Tonglu, Darjeeling district
- Dhotrey, Darjeeling district
- Chilkigarh, Jhargram district



State Bird White Breasted Kingfisher (Halcyon smyrnensis)



State Tree Chatim (Alstonia scholaris)



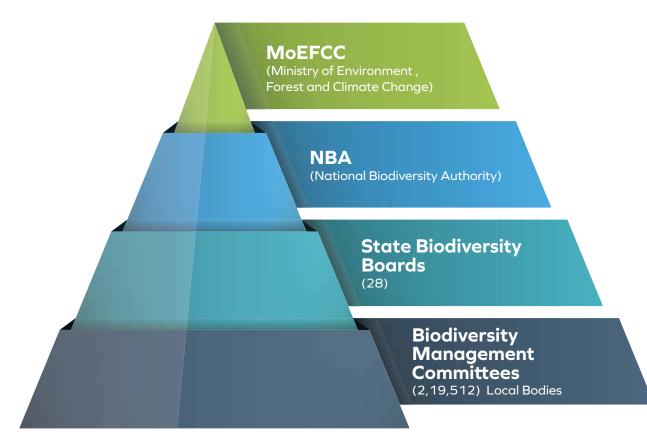
State Flower Shiuli/Shefali (Nyctanthes arbor tristis)



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