

A few achievements of West Bengal Biodiversity Board

- Board facilitated in constitution of Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs) in all the local bodies of West Bengal (except three Gram Panchayats).



- Board provided expertise support in preparation of People's Biodiversity Register of all the BMCs of the state. Till date documentation of 90% of the PBRs of the state is complete.

পাথরপ্রতিমা গ্রামপঞ্চায়েতের
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পশ্চিমবঙ্গ জীববৈচিত্র্য পর্ষদের একটি উদ্যোগ

- Banewar Shiva Dighi, Cooch Behar District which is a habitat of Black Softshell Turtle (*Nilssonia nigricans* Anderson, 1875, locally revered as 'Mohan') is being declared as a Biodiversity Heritage Site as per section 37(1) of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.



- Conservation initiatives:
 - Traditional Rice Diversity
 - Locally threatened plants



- In compliance to the provisions of Section 7 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, applicants intending to access biological resources from West Bengal for commercial utilization has to apply in Form-I and Form-A, and if applicable, has to comply to the Act's Access and Benefit Sharing provisions. Till date Rs. 29.88 Lac received as Access and Benefit Sharing amount from bioresources based commercial entities.
- For last two years the Board has been conducting the assessment of Migratory water birds and their habitats with the help of external experts.



- District-wise documentation of Fish faunal diversity has been going on with the help of external experts. Completed in eight districts.



- Documentation of Mango diversity of Malda and Murshidabad districts has been completed with the help of external experts.



- District-wise documentation of Sacred Groves has been completed with the help of external experts.

