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Sir,

Sub: Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board-Sixth meeting held on 20.11.2017 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Forests-Minutes of the meeting-Expert committees approved-Communicated- reg.

Ref: Principal Secretary to Government, Environment and Forests(FR.5) Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9, Letter No. 14065/FR.5/2017-3, dated.27.12.2017

I wish to inform that in the sixth meeting of the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board, approved the Board has the constitution of a Expert sub-committee on "Legal Advisory" with the following members:

Sl.No.	Name of the Member	
1	Mr. K. Chidambaram IFS (Retd.) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests	Chairperson
2	Thiru.S.Elumalai –Assistant Professor ,School of Excellence in Law, Dr.Ambedkar Law University ,Chennai	Member
3	Chief Conservator of Forests(Head Quarters)	Member
4	District Forest Officer –Tiruvallur Forest Division	Member
5	Secretary Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board	Focal point

I enclosed herewith copy of the Terms of Reference of "Legal Advisory" for information.

A meeting of the Expert Sub-Committee will be convened shortly.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully

Secretary

Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board

To,
Legal Advisory Expert committee Members, Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board.

Legal Advisory Committee

I. The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Committee shall be as under:

- a. To Advise the Board on the matters relating to Intellectual Property Rights, Biodiversity Heritage Sites, implementation of other provisions of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and related matters thereof.
- b. Any other functions as assigned by the Board.
- c. The TNBB may amend the ToRs, if required.

II. Guidelines for Expert Committee on Access and Benefit Sharing are provided below:

- a. The expert committee is being constituted mainly to advise TNBB on technical, techno-legal, administrative and statutory matters.
- b. The Member Secretary, TNBB will be the focal point and will participate and provide his/her opinion in the Expert Committee.
- c. The focal point shall convene meetings in consultation with the Chairperson and members are requested to make it convenient to attend the meetings.
- d. The Committee is expected to submit the proceedings/minutes to TNBB duly authenticated by all members soon after the meeting.
- e. The focal point is authorized to invite any expert for the meeting if and when the service/opinion of such expert is required.
- f. The tenure, honorarium for each sitting, travel and other allowance for meetings will be as decided by the TNBB in due course