No : BT/IBKP/355/2020 **Dated:** 20-Feb-2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Nomination of DBT representative in the IBSC of **TERI School of Advanced Studies (TERISAS-635), Vasant Kunj**.

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 ASHISH KUMAR, Principal Scientist, ICAR- NIPB, New Delhi, DELHI** has been nominated to act as a DBT representative in the IBSC constituted at **TERI School of Advanced Studies (TERISAS-635) , 10 Institutional Area, Vasant Kunj, South, DELHI-110070.**

   The complete composition of the IBSC is as under:

Chairman	:	Dr Ramakrishnan Sitaraman, Chairman, Vasant Kunj, DELHI
DBT Nominee	:	Dr ASHISH KUMAR, Principal Scientist, ICAR- NIPB, New Delhi, DELHI
Member Secretary	:	Dr Chaithanya Madhurantakam, Member Secretary, New Delhi, DELHI
Outside Experts	:	Dr Chinmay K Mukhopadhyay, Outside Expert, New Delhi, DELHI
Biosafety Officer	:	Dr Jyoti Singh, Biosafety Officer, New Delhi, DELHI
Internal Experts	:	Dr Anandita Singh, Internal Member, Vasant Kunj, DELHI## Dr Shashi Bhushan Tripathi, Internal Member, Vasant Kunj, DELHI## Dr Souren Paul, Internal Member, Vasant Kunj, DELHI

3. The DBT nominee serves as link between department and the respective IBSC. The nominee should ensure that:

   - handbook on IBSC, Third revised edition, September 2020 is followed by IBSC,
   - 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 Department's OM dated 22.09.2015 and its revised version issued vide DBT OM dated 17.01.2020.

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 Ramakrishnan Sitaraman, Chairman, Vasant Kunj, DELHI

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2. Dr Jyoti Singh, Biosafety Officer, New Delhi, DELHI
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