

Terms & Conditions for Biodiversity Mapping Contest – IDB 2025

1. Introduction:

The **Biodiversity Mapping Contest** is organized by the **Tripura Biodiversity Board** as part of the **International Day for Biological Diversity (IDB) 2025** celebrations. The contest aims to promote biodiversity documentation and conservation efforts by engaging citizens in mapping local flora and fauna.

2. Eligibility:

- The contest is **open to all individuals**, including students, researchers, nature enthusiasts, and professionals.
- Participants must be residents of **Tripura**.
- The focus should be on **native species**.

3. Contest Categories

Participants can submit entries in the following categories:

- **Flora Mapping** – Identification and documentation of plant species.
- **Fauna Mapping** – Observation and mapping of wildlife.
- **Wetland & Biodiversity Hotspot** – Mapping biodiversity hotspots.

4. Submission Guidelines

- Entries must be **original** and supported by **photos, location details, and descriptions**. (Format enclosed)
- Participants should submit their biodiversity mapping reports via **email** [idbcontest@gmail.com].
- The deadline for submission is **31st May 2025**.
- The category should be clearly mentioned in the subject of the e-mail.
- To participate in different categories, separate emails should be sent.
- Each submission must include:
 - **Species Name (Common & Scientific Name)**
 - **Location Coordinates (GPS)**
 - **Photographic Evidence**
 - **Brief Description (Ecological Significance, Local Importance)**

5. Evaluation Criteria

Entries will be evaluated based on:

- **Accuracy of identification**
- **Quality of documentation**
- **Number of species correctly identified.**

- **Impact on biodiversity conservation.**
- **Content of Brief Description.**
- **Number of Wetland/ Biodiversity Hotspots documented.**
- **The evaluation committee may identify more Criteria at the time of evaluation.**

6. Prizes

The winners will receive **cash prizes** sponsored by the **Tripura Biodiversity Board**.

7. General Terms & Conditions

- The **Tripura Biodiversity Board** reserves the right to modify contest rules if necessary.
- Entries may be used for **educational and conservation purposes**.
- By sending entries, the participants agree to abide by the contest rules and decisions made by the **evaluation committee**.

1. Flora Mapping Submission Format

Title: [Scientific Name & Common Name]

Location: [GPS Coordinates]

Photographs: [Attach High-Resolution Images]

Habitat Description: [Forest/Wetland/Urban/Rural/etc.]

Ecological Significance: [Brief explanation of its role in the ecosystem]

Traditional Use (if applicable): [Medicinal/Edible/Cultural significance]

Threats : [Existing threats to the species and suggestions to mitigate threats]

References: [Cite any relevant sources, if any]

2. Fauna Mapping Submission Format

Species Name: [Scientific & Common Name]

Location: [GPS Coordinates]

Photographs: [Attach High-Resolution Images]

Behavior & Habitat: [Description of the species' behavior and its habitat]

Ecological Significance: [Role in ecosystem stability]

Local Knowledge (if applicable): [Folklore, sightings, or indigenous perspectives]

Threats: [Threats to the species, suggestions to mitigate threats]

References: [Cite any relevant sources, if any]

3. Wetland & Forest Biodiversity Mapping Submission Format

Title: [Name of the Biodiversity Hotspot/Name of the area]

Location: [GPS Coordinates]

Photographs: [Attach High-Resolution Images]

Flora & Fauna Recorded: [Provide a list with details]

Ecological Importance: [Describe why this site is crucial for biodiversity]

Threats: [Threats to biodiversity in that area and suggestions for mitigation]

References: [Cite any relevant sources, if any]

