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Sub: Constitution of Technical Advisory Panel for research relating to "Assessment of Impact of Wild Medicinal Plant Collection on their Regeneration and Population Status".

Dear sir,

We need your help and support for the research activities relating to medicinal plants conservation in South India.

We are writing to invite you to serve on the Technical Advisory Panel for research relating to "Assessment of Impact of Wild Medicinal Plant Collection on their Regeneration and Population Status".

As you are aware the Foundation for Revitalisation of Local Health Traditions (FRLHT) is co-ordinating a major medicinal plants conservation initiative in the three South Indian states of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala. The core activities of this project are the establishment of a network of 30 In-situ and 15 Ex-situ conservation centres in these states. The experiences generated by this pilot project are expected to provide guidelines for conservation of medicinal plants in other parts of the country. Research programs are needed to develop suitable approaches and appropriate technologies in priority areas for undertaking practical efforts for In-situ and Ex-situ conservation of medicinal plants.

Objectives of the Technical Advisory Panel are:

1. To comment on the draft research designs.
2. To advise research workers who may approach the members of the panel for advice.
3. To review the "Progress Reports" of the research projects.

This panel is proposed to be constituted of :

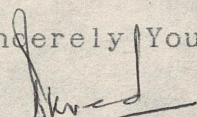
1. Dr. Madhav Gadgil - Centre for Ecological Sciences, Bangalore
2. Dr. M P Nayar - Ex-Director Botanical Survey of India, Trivandrum
3. Dr. N V Joshi - Centre for Ecological Sciences, Bangalore
4. Dr. B R Ramesh - French Institute of Pondicherry
5. Dr. S N Rai - Karnataka Forest Department, Bangalore.

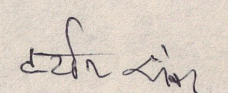
We would like to clarify that this is a purely honorary position, however, FRLHT will certainly meet the expenses for travel and hospitality on account of any meetings of the panel.

We request you to kindly convey your consent so that the Technical Advisory Panel is constituted at the earliest.

With regards and best wishes,

Sincerely Yours,

  
(D K Ved)  
Research Co-ordinator

  
(Darshan Shankar)  
Director.