## PEOPLES' BIODIVERSITY REGISTER





KALYANI MUNICIPAL AREA, KALYANI-741235 NADIA, WEST BENGAL, INDIA



## **FOREWORD**

The loss of species and genetic diversity and the degradation of habitats and ecosystems represent an enormous cost to the present generation and all future generations. The best way to protect species is to protect habitats. Conservation will succeed only if ultimate causes of degradation and species loss are addressed. The Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in 1992 first time recognized sovereign rights of states over their biological resources. As a signatory of CBD, India has enacted umbrella legislation, Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and also notified the Biological Diversity Rules, 2004. Under the provisions of the act, Biodiversity Management Committee was

constituted by the Kalyani Municipality (Dist. – Nadia, West Bengal) in January, 2008 taking the representative of the local people. In March, 2010 BMC, Kalyani published its first edition of PBR in Bengali. Now BMC, Kalyani has the responsibility to publish its English abstract. Hope this abstract serves as a very important document for conserving the local biodiversity of Kalyani Municipal area in future.

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