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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Nomination of DBT representative in the IBSCs.

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 "Recombinant DNA Safety Guidelines" in January 1990 for achieving for 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 intend 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 have constituted their IBSCs and the department has nominated its representatives in all such committees. Accordingly, Dr. N. Madhusudhana Rao, Scientist, Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB), Uppal Road, Hyderabad – 500 007 has been nominated to act as a DBT representative on the IBSC constituted at M/s. Sipra Labs Ltd., # 407, Nilgiri, Aditya Enclave, Ameerpet, Hyderabad – 500 038.

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

- the committee has been constituted as per the norms of the guidelines,
- the Recombinant DNA Safety Guidelines are strictly followed in the institution,
- the IBSC meets regularly, at least twice in a year to review the ongoing activities and provide half 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.

4. He/she will work for 3 years on the respective committee. The IBSC of the institution will meet at least twice in a year.

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.

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6. The institutes having the IBSC are required to submit half yearly reports of progress (1st January to 30th June and 1st July 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.

7. The company will meet the TA/DA to the DBT nominee as per his entitlement.

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