

LONG TERM ECOLOGICAL OBSERVATORIES

(A programme of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change)



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Dr. Mohammed Latif Khan Professor, Department of Botany Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya (A Central University) Sagar – 470003, Madhya Pradesh

Sub: Approval of projects under Long Term Ecological Observatories Programme

Dear Professor Khan,

I am writing to convey the approval of the Long-Term Ecological Observatories (LTEO) Programme under the Climate Change Action Plan of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India, by a consortium of organizations led by the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru.

The following Principal Investigators have expressed interest in inviting you as Co-Principal Investigator for the LTEO Central India landscape. Please note that this is subject to formal approval from the MoEFCC.

Project No.	Project name	Principal Investigator	Budget (INR, Crores)
1.	Monitoring forest structure and dynamics in relation to climate change across different biogeographic zones in India	Dr. R. Sukumar, Honorary Professor, Centre for Ecological Sciences, IISc, Bangalore	3.74
2.	Long-term monitoring of biodiversity and ecosystem processes in Indian grasslands	Dr. Mahesh Sankaran Associate Professor National Centre for Biological Sciences	3.19
3.	Long-term monitoring of soil processes in forests and grasslands	Dr. Sumanta Bagchi, Associate Professor, Centre for Ecological Sciences, IISc, Bangalore	3.19

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Please note that the approved budget pertains to all the six sites across the country for a particular LTEO theme. Therefore, a budget specific to the Central Indian landscape will be allocated out of this total amount.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

R. SUKUMAR

Chair, LTEO Coordination Cell

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