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KERALA STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD (KSBB)

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Notification

Sub: Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI) – Comprehensive Mapping and Impact Assessment of Invasive Species along the Coastline of Kerala

The Kerala State Biodiversity Board (KSBB), Thiruvananthapuram, invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) from qualified and experienced Research Institutions, Academic Universities, and consortia for a study titled "Comprehensive Mapping and Impact Assessment of Invasive Species along the Coastline of Kerala." This initiative aims to systematically map the distribution of invasive species across the entire Kerala coastline, from Kasaragod to Thiruvananthapuram, and conduct a rigorous assessment of their ecological and economic impacts to formulate effective management and control strategies.

The comprehensive study will encompass critical coastal ecosystems, including mangroves, seagrass beds, estuaries, coral reefs, beaches, and intertidal zones. The research will specifically target major groups of invasive species, such as invasive aquatic flora, terrestrial flora, and fauna, to understand their proliferation and effects on these fragile environments.

Eligible institutions must possess demonstrated expertise in biodiversity research, advanced GIS mapping, ecological impact assessment, and socio-economic studies. The EOI submission should include a detailed institutional profile, relevant past experience, the proposed methodology for the study, and an indicative budget breakdown. Completed EOIs must reach the Office of the Member Secretary, Kerala State Biodiversity Board, Thiruvananthapuram, on or before the deadline of 15th October 2025.

For further details, including the full Terms of Reference, interested parties are advised to visit the official website at www.keralabiodiversity.org or contact the Board office at 0471-2724740.

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