

Campus Biodiversity Registers Initiative Launched

A nationwide initiative was launched to document biodiversity in Indian college campuses.

It is a year-long nationwide exercise to document flora and fauna within higher education institutions.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The initiative aims to create **Campus Biodiversity Registers** across **colleges and universities** in **India**.
- It is a **nationwide exercise** to document **flora and fauna** within **higher education institutions**.
- The initiative is anchored by the **Nature Conservation Foundation (NCF)** and the **National Biodiversity Authority (NBA)**.
- The **Nature Conservation Foundation (NCF)** is a **Mysuru**-based **wildlife research and conservation organisation**.
- The objective is to foster **conservation** and **student engagement** through these registers.
- The exercise is a **year-long nationwide program**.
- The initiative was launched on **July 22, 2026**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The **National Biodiversity Authority (NBA)** was established in **2003** under the **Biological Diversity Act, 2002**.

The **NBA** is a **statutory autonomous body** headquartered in **Chennai, Tamil Nadu**.

The **Biological Diversity Act, 2002**, aims for **conservation**, **sustainable use**, and **equitable sharing of benefits** from biological resources.

This Act was enacted to give effect to the **Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)** signed in **1992**.

The **Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)** was signed at the **Earth Summit** in **Rio de Janeiro**.

The term '**biodiversity**' was coined by American biologist **Edward O. Wilson**.

India is recognized as one of the **17 mega-diverse countries** globally.

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Campus Biodiversity Registers initiative by NCF and NBA for colleges.

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