

Report of Biosafety Support Unit (BSU) activities from RCB, Faridabad

- Twenty seven applications were received and assessed by BSU at DBT's Regional Centre for Biotechnology (DBT-RCB), Faridabad. These contain 23 biopharma and 04 agriculture applications. The BSU prepared draft agenda of 197th RCGM meeting scheduled for 07.01.2021. Further, 03 COVID-19 related applications were processed in fast track mode.
- BSU prepared Draft E-Handbook, Indian Science Congress, 2021. IBKP Team assessed new and revised IBSC submission of which 06 IBSCs were found to be complete and registered. Two organizations were registered on IBKP Portal during this period. Three annual compliance & transaction report and 06 confidentiality agreement and medical surveillance were found in order and approved.
- Eighth Interactive Session for Awareness-Raising of Member Secretaries of Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBSC) held on 30.12.2020. The session was primarily organized for making the IBSCs well versed with the current Rules and Guidelines as well as the responsibilities of Member Secretaries, as detailed in Handbook for Institutional Biosafety Committees (IBSCs), 2020. The interactive session was attended by 22 participants from Universities, Institute and Private organizations.
- For the 8th session, BSU Scientists, delivered "Presentation on Indian Biosafety Knowledge Portal (IBKP)", "Presentations on Biosafety Rules and Guidelines (with special emphasis on Import/Export for R&D purpose)" and "Handbook for Institutional Biosafety Committees (IBSCs), 2020".

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