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Annexure V: Format for preparing brief document

Stat	tate / Union Territory:	
Nar	Name and address of person(s) compiling this information	
Sect	ection 1: Identification, Location and Jurisdiction	
1.1	.1 Name of the Wetland (Alternative names, including in local language should be given in p after official name)	arenthesis
1.2	.2 Name of the Village(s), Tehsil(s), Municipal area (s)	
1.3	.3 Name of the District(s) in which wetland complex is located	
1.4	.4 Geographical coordinates (Latitude and Longitude, to degree, minutes and second)	
	Latitude: From to	
	Longitude: From to	
1.5	.5 Name of the Department / Agency which has jurisdiction over the wetland / wetlands co	omplex

Section 2: Site Characteristics

2.1 Area of wetland / wetlands category (ha)

Wetland type (Please tick appropriate categories and sub-categories)

Category	Subcategory
☐ Natural (Inland)	Permanent lakes
	Seasonal/ intermittent lakes
	Permanent streams/ creeks
	Seasonal/ intermittent streams/ creeks
	Oxbow
	River floodplain
	Permanent freshwater marshes
	Seasonal/ intermittent freshwater marshes
	Shrub-dominated wetlands
	Tree-dominated wetlands
	Geothermal wetlands
	Karst and other subterranean hydrological systems

	Category	Subcategory	
	🗌 Natural (Coastal)	Coastal lagoon	
		Estuary	
		Intertidal mud, sand or salt flats	
		Mangroves	
		Coral reefs	
	Human-made	Aquaculture pond	
		Tank	
		Saltpan	
		Dam / Reservoir	
2.2	Depth (m) Av	erage Maximum	
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2.3	Elevation (m above mean sea	level)	m
2.4	Water regimes		
	a) Main source of water (tick	all applicable)	
	Rainfall	Groundwater	
	Catchment runoff	Direct / indirect inflow from river	
	Others, please specify		
	b) Water permanence		
	Mostly permanent	Mostly intermittent	
	c) Destination of water from	wetland	
	Eeeds groundwater	To downstream catchment	
	To river	To sea	
	d) Water pH		
	Acid (< 5.5)	Circumneutral (5.5 – 7.4)	
	☐ Alkaline (> 7.4)	Not known	
	e) Water salinity		
	☐ Fresh (< 0.5 g/l)	□ Brackish (0.5 – 30 g/l))	
	Euhaline (30- 40 g/l)	Hypersaline (>40g/l)	
	Not known		
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	f) Nutrient in water				
	EutrophicOligotrophic	MesotrophicNot known			
2.5	Climatic setting				
	a) Annual Rainfall /Snowfa	ll(mm) _			
	b) Temperature (°C)	Minimum	Maximum		
	c) Humidity (%)	Minimum	Maximum		
2.5	Area of zone of influence (in	n ha)			
2.6	Major land use within zone of	of influence (provide as	approximate % of catchment area)		
	Forests	%			
	Plantation	%			
	Agriculture	0/_0			
	Settlements (Rural)	0⁄_0			
	Settlements (Urban)	0/_0			
	Industrial	0⁄_0			
2.7	Map of wetland complex and (To be enclosed as Annex I a				
Sect	ion 3: Biodiversity				
3.1	Notable plant species present in wetland				
3.2	Notable animal species present in wetland				
3.3	3 Species of conservation significance (rare, endangered, threatened, endemic species)				
3.4	Major plant invasive alien species				
3.5	Major animal invasive alien s	pecies			

Section 4: Ecosystem services

Importance		t for the site ick yes or no)	If Yes, Details (upto 50 words for each category)
Source of drinking water for people living and around	Yes	🗌 No	
Source of water for agriculture	Yes	🗌 No	
Fisheries	Yes	□ No	
Cultivation of aquatic food plants	The Yes	□ No	
For buffalo wallowing and use of domesticated animals	T Yes	□ No	
Medicinal plants	Yes	🗌 No	
Is a recreational site	Tes Yes	🗌 No	
Buffering communities from extreme events as floods and storms	Yes	🗌 No	
Groundwater recharge	Yes	🗌 No	
Water purification	Yes	🗌 No	
Acts as a sink for sediments	Yes	🗌 No	
Has significant cultural and religious values	Tes Yes	□ No	
Is a site for recreation and tourism	The Yes	🗌 No	

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Importance	Relevant for the site (please tick yes or no)	If Yes, Details (upto 50 words for each category)
Supports noteworthy plants species	Yes No	
Supports noteworthy animal species	Yes No	
Site of high congregation of migratory water birds	Yes No	
Supports life cycle of fish or amphibians	Yes No	
Mining	Yes No	
Any other, please list		

Section 5: Pre-Existing Rights and Privileges

Nature of right and privilege	Relevant for the site (please tick yes or no)	Does this negatively impact the wetland's ecological health?	Brief description (upto 50 words for each category)
Community Fishing (without any lease or permission from government department)	Yes No	Yes No	
Fishing under lease from government department	Yes No	Yes No	
		□Not assessed	
Harvest of plants (without any lease or permission from	Yes No	Yes No	
government department)		□Not assessed	
Harvest of plants under lease from government department	Yes No	Yes No	
		□Not assessed	
Agriculture or horticulture within wetland	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	
Grazing	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	

Nature of right and privilege	Relevant for the site (please tick yes or no)	Does this negatively impact the wetland's ecological health?	Brief description (upto 50 words for each category)
Religious practices	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	
Withdrawal of water for domestic use	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	
Withdrawal of water for agriculture or fisheries	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	
Bathing or wallowing of domestic animals	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	
Plying of boats	Yes No	Yes No	
		□ Not assessed	
Any other, please list here	Yes No	Yes No	
		□Not assessed	

Section 6: Present and Potential Threats

Threat	Degree	Present or Potential	Additional information, if any
Changes in water inflow and outflow	□High □Medium □Low	☐ Present ☐ Potential	
Pollution	□High □Medium □Low	Present Potential	
Unsustainable harvest of biological resources	□High □Medium □Low	Present Potential	
Mining	□High □Medium □Low	Present Potential	
Siltation	□High □Medium □Low	Present Potential	
Encroachment	□High □Medium □Low	Present Potential	

Threat	Degree	Present or Potential	Additional information, if any
Spread of invasive species	High Medium Low	Present Potential	
Any other, please list	High Medium Low	Present Potential	

Section 7: Activities Proposed to be prohibited (other than those listed in Rule 4(2) of Wetlands Rules)

Activity	Prohibited within wetlands or zone of influence	Details of specific area wherein activity is prohibited	Name of department / agency responsible for regulation	Additional information, if any
	Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of			
	influence			

Section 8: Activities Proposed to be regulated

Activity	Place a tick mark if relevant	Regulation within wetlands or zone of influence	Level of regulation (in terms of people, restricted area or any other)	Name of department / agency responsible for regulation	Additional information , if any
Withdrawal of water / impoundment/diversion or any other hydrological intervention		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			
Harvesting of resources (living / non-living)		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			
Grazing		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			

Activity	Place a tick mark if relevant	Regulation within wetlands or zone of influence	Level of regulation (in terms of people, restricted area or any other)	Name of department / agency responsible for regulation	Additional information , if any
Discharge of treated sewage/ effluent / wastewater		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			
Construction of boat jetties, and facilities for temporary use , as pontoon bridges		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			
Aquaculture, agriculture and horticulture activities within the wetland boundaries.		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			
Any other, please list		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 			

Section 9: Activities Proposed to be permitted

Activity	Place a tick mark if relevant	Within wetlands or zone of influence	Additional information, if any
		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 	
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		Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence	

Activity	Place a tick mark if relevant	Within wetlands or zone of influence	Additional information, if any
		 Wetland / Wetlands complex boundary Zone of influence 	
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Section 10: Listing of Available Scientific Resources Used

CHECKLIST

Responsible agency has been clearly identified and details of contact person included

- Wetland/ wetlands complex boundary has been delineated using GIS and firmed up by adequate ground truthing
- Wetland/ wetlands complex map has been provided at required scale
- Zone of influence has been delineated and included in wetland map or a separate map
- Wetland zone of influence is sufficient to manage all activities
- Site's importance have been listed, and for major categories, justification is provided
- Site's biodiversity values are listed, and for major categories, justification is provided
- List of pre-existing rights and privileges is provided
- Consistency or inconsistency of pre-existing rights and privileges is indicated to be best of available knowledge
- Threats to site are listed, and for major categories details are provided
- Activities prohibited, beyond those already listed in Rule 4(2) have been mentioned
- List of activities to be regulated within wetlands and zone of influence is provided
- List of activities to be permitted is provided

Annexes