1. Organisation and Function

S. No.	Item	Details of disclosure	Remarks/ Reference Points (Fully met/partially met/ not met- Not applicable will be treated as fully met/partially met/
1.1	Particulars of its organisation, functions and duties [Section 4(1)(b)(i)]	(i) Name and address of the Organization: G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment & Sustainable Development (GBPNIHESD) (An Autonomous Institute of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India), Kosi - Katarmal, Almora - 263643, Uttarakhand, India. Phone: (05962) 241041, 241154, Fax: (05962) 241014, 241150 E-mail: psdir@gbpihed.nic.in, Website: http://gbpihed.gov.in (ii) Head of the organization: Er. Kireet Kumar,	Fully met
		Director Incharge, GBPNIHESD (iii) Vision: Striving for Ecological Security and Economic Development in Indian Himalayan Region Mission: Preservation of fragile mountain ecosystems, indigenous knowledge systems, sustainable use of natural resources and to ensure environmentally sound development in the entire Indian Himalayan Region.	Fully met

 Key objectives: Undertake in-depth research and development studies on environmental problems of the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR). Identify and strengthen the local knowledge of the environment and contribute towards strengthening researches of regional relevance in the scientific Institutions, Universities/NGOs and Voluntary agencies working in the Himalayan region, through interactive networking. Evolve and demonstrate suitable technological packages and delivery systems for sustainable development of the region in harmony with local perceptions. 	
(iv) Function and duties: The main function and duties of the Institute is to conduct research and development activities for sustainable development of the Indian Himalayan region (IHR). Demonstration and dissemination of R&D based package of practices is a strong component of the function and duties of the Institute. The major areas of R&D activities consist of environment & development issues and related policies, planning and management of natural resource, biodiversity conservation, climate change impact assessment, socioeconomic development and migration related issues, biotechnological application, database development, eco-tourism and glacier studies, etc. The development, demonstration and dissemination activities are mainly based on training of trainers (ToT) on environment friendly simple rural technologies, income generating sustainable livelihood packages, conservation and multiplication of high value crops/ species, medicinal plants, rare endangered & threatened species, soil water conservation through tested and innovative technology packages, etc. and publications of various knowledge products for wider dissemination across a range of stakeholders in the IHR and beyond. The R &D programmes of the Institute have been reoriented in to four functional Centres (and supporting Cells) based on stakeholders' needs.	Fully met
 Centre for Land and Water Resource Management (CLWRM): To work on integrated management and sustainable use of goods and services in a watershed along with advancement of science-based 	Fully met

solutions for conservation and access to resource.

• Focal areas of activities- Land and soil management; Water sustainability; Glacier system and climate; Geo-hazard assessment.

2. Centre for Socio-Economic Development (CSED):

- To promote activities that lead to ecological and economic security, and sustainable development in the IHR.
- Focal areas of activities- Poverty, Out-migration, Natural Resource Management for Sustainable Livelihood, Technology Development and Demonstration.

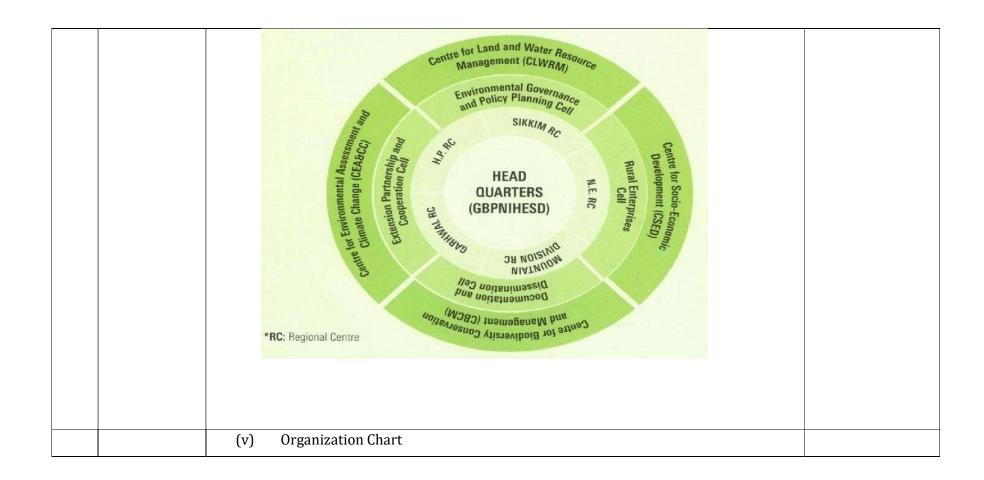
3. Centre for Biodiversity Conservation and Management (CBCM):

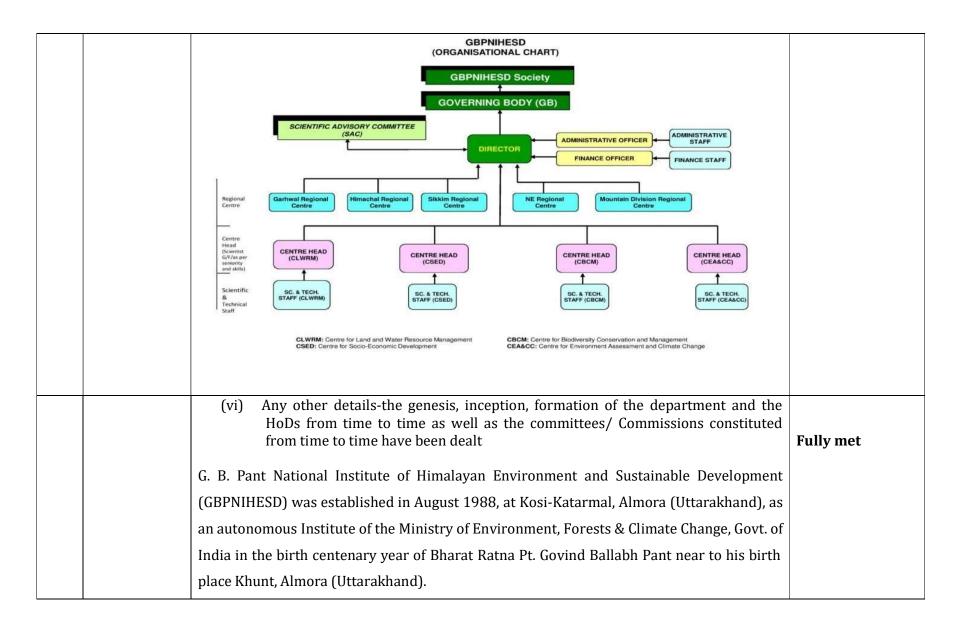
- To assess and monitor biodiversity using state-of-art methodology, and transform data and information into knowledge that supports sustainable management of biodiversity.
- Focal areas of activities- Collaborative and Multidisciplinary Research on Biodiversity (i.e. long term ecological research sites; database; landscape level studies), Ecosystem Services, and Biotechnological Applications.

4. Centre for Environmental Assessment and Climate Change (CEA&CC):

- To assess and monitor physical, biological and socio-economic environment attributes of development in IHR, design robust measures for climate change mitigation and securing community and ecosystem resilience with appropriate adaptation strategy to cope up with climate change risks.
- Focal areas of activities- Assessment of Environment Parameters, Impact of CC on Resources, Critical Ecosystem, and Development of Knowledge-base to Combat CC.

Fully met





Following eminent academicians headed the GBPNIHESD as Director of the Institute:

Prof. P.S. Ramakrishnan [01/08/1988 to 31/10/1989]

Prof. A.N. Purohit [07/08/1990 to 07/08/1995]

Dr. L.M.S. Palni [08/08/1995 to 09/12/2001] & [01/05/2008 to 31/05/2013]

Dr. Mohinder Pal [Director Incharge; 10/12/2001 to 30/05/2003]

Dr. Uppendra Dhar [01/06/2003 to 30/04/2008]

Dr. P.P. Dhyani [01/06/2013 to 28/09/2017]

Er. Kireet Kumar, Director Incharge [29/09/2017 to 20/05/2018]

Late Dr. R.S. Rawal [21/05/2018 to 23/04/2021]

Er. Kireet Kumar, Director Incharge [07/05/2021 to Till Date]