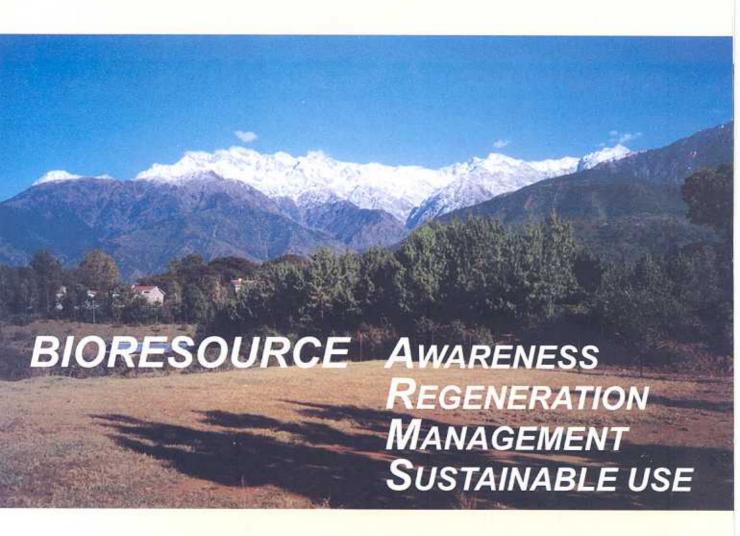
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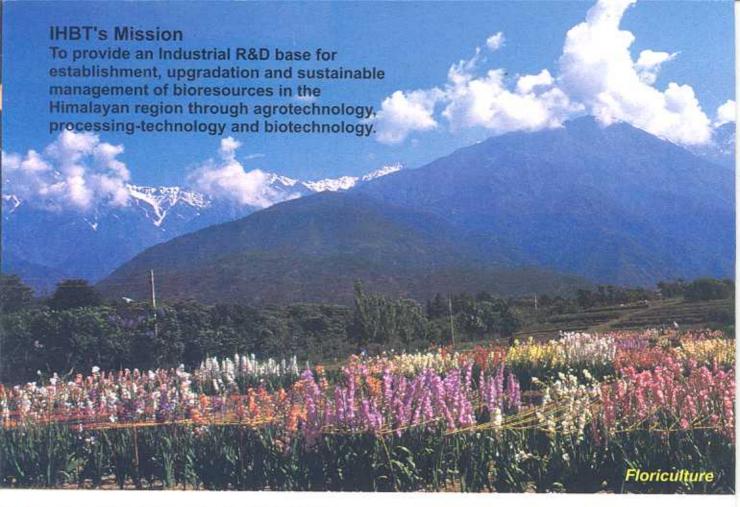


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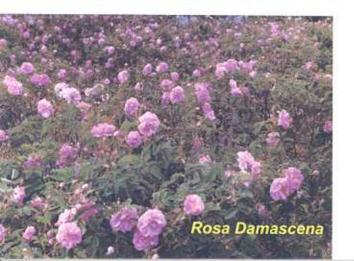
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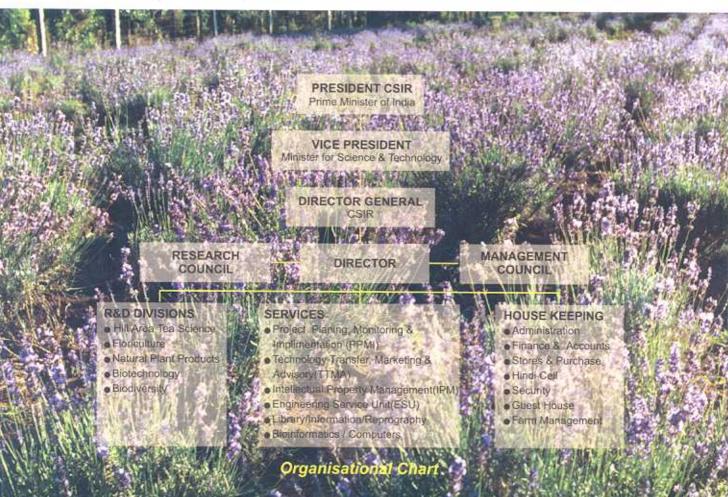


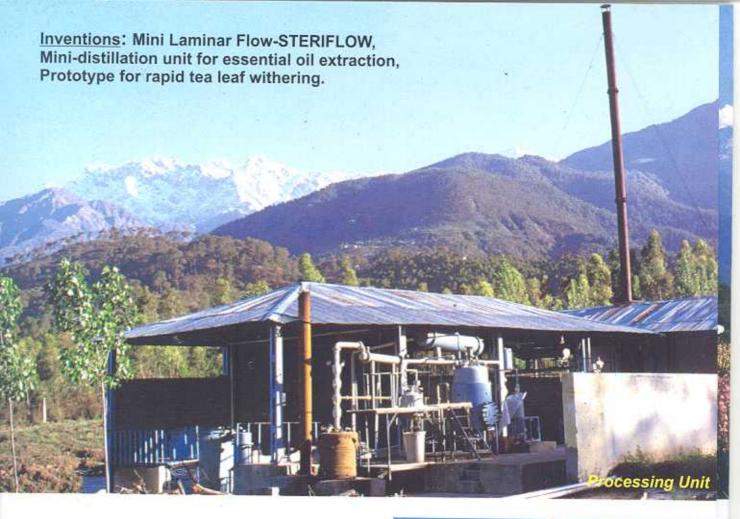


IHBT's Thrust Areas

- Biodiversity conservation.
- Agro-practices for tea, flowers, medicinal and aromatic crops.
- Processing technologies for tea, aromatics, herbals, colours & dyes.
- Bioprospecting microbes/enzymes/ genes and bio-molecules.
- Genomics/Bioinformatics.
- Molecular probes for authentication of medicinal herbs and detection of viruses.
- Characterization, improvement and propagation of selected industrial crops by conventional methods/micropropagation.
- Information, Training and Technology transfer.







Infrastructure:

IHBT has the most modern laboratories for work on plant biotechnology, bioinformatics, natural plant products, tea technology and floriculture. There are national facilities for virus testing of floriculture crops, pesticide residue analysis of tea and a regional reference herbarium. Live specimens of the flora are being maintained in a herbal garden. Tea and rose plantations, greenhouses/polyhouses, propagation chambers, a mobile lab, processing plants for essential oils and pilot plant for tea manufacture help in field experiments and demonstrations. A modern library backed up with state of art computer networking is an important asset.

The Institute has 60 scientific and technical personnel, 40 research scholars & project staff, and 40 administrative & supporting staff.







The Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology, Palampur, is the youngest constituent laboratory of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, established in 1983 in the famous Kangra valley. The 250 acre campus is located in the salubrious environs of Palampur (1300 m asl) perched in the lap of the majestic snow clad Dhauladhar ranges of western Himalaya. Work is being done along the value chain from agrotechniques, processing to product development.

The Institute has established important relationships with academic institutions for higher studies and with industries for conducting collaborative research.

The Institute has licensed some important technologies and is serving the hinterland of Himachal Pradesh and adjoining regions.

IHBT's annual budget for 2001-02 from CSIR is c 10 crores. In addition, grants under sponsored projects are obtained from government bodies such as DBT, DST, Min. of Health & FW, DoEn, NHB, Tea Board, DRDO, ICMR, NTRF etc. Funds are also coming from the industries in the pharmaceutical, micropropagation, agrochemicals and tea sectors.









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