**Western Regional Centre**

**Centre at a Glance**

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| Established | 12th December, 1955 |
| Jurisdiction | Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu |
| Area | 5,03,786 sq km |
| Protected Area Network | 23,281.31 sq km |
| Biosphere Reserve | 1 (Nilgiri BR) |
| National Parks | 13 |
| Wildlife Sanctuaries | 67 |
| Wetlands | 2,827 coastal wetlands, 20,219 inland wetlands and 21,668 wetlands lesser than 2.25 hectare |
| Explorations | 644 |
| Expeditions | 1 |
| Herbarium Acronym | BSI |
| Herbarium Holdings | c. 1,79,000 (including Cooke and Talbot collection) |
| Type Collections | c.750 specimens |
| Library Holdings | 9,846 books and Journals |
| New Genera Described | 4 |
| New Species/taxa Discovered | 309 |
| Experimental Garden | Mundhwa Botanical Garden |
| Live Collections | c. 400 species |
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