Figure captions.

Fig. 1 Alginate-encapsulation, short-term storage and regeneration of *Cymbidium bicolor* using seed derived protocorm.

1. Beads prepared with 2% sodium alginate in75 mM calcium chloride solution. (Bar = 2cm)
2. Beads prepared with 3% alginate in 75mM calcium chloride solution. (Bar = 2cm)
3. Firm beads at 3 % sodium alginate in 100 mM CaCl2 solution(Bar = 2cm)
4. Hard brads 5 % at sodium alginate in 100 mM CaCl2 solution. (Bar = 2cm)
5. Conversion of synthetic seed & formation of multiple protocorm/ seedling on B5 medium containing BAP (4.42 μM). (Bar = 2cm)
6. Conversion of synthetic seed & formation of multiple protocorm/ seedling on B5 medium containing Kin (13.92μM). (Bar = 2cm)
7. *In vitro* hardening. (Bar = 2cm)
8. Plantlet transferred to pot containing vermiculite coir pith (1:1). (Bar = 2cm) .