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This is to certify that Mr Durga Kumar Pradhan , MSc worked under my supervision since 8<sup>th</sup> January, 1997 for his dissertation on the topic “Pharmacognosy of *Fagopyrum dibotrys* (D.Don ) Hara , an ethnomedicine of Sikkim and Darjeeling Himalayas with special emphasis on Growth physiology of the plant and productivity of bioactive natural products” for the Doctor of Philosophy ( Science ) of the University of North Bengal . He is conversant with the technique and literature cited in the dissertation and carried out the work thoroughly . It seems that the thesis is fit for submission for Ph.D and he is worthy for award of the degree .

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