

DECLARATION

I declare that the thesis entitled “**Microbiological Quality of Water of Some Important Lakes of Tourist Importance in Darjeeling Hills**” has been prepared by me under the guidance of Dr. Binod Chandra Sharma, Associate Professor of Botany, ABN Seal College, Coochbehar. No part of this thesis has formed the basis for the award of any degree or fellowship previously.

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