

DECLARATION

I do hereby declare that the thesis entitled " **Molecular identification and pathogenicity study of the *Klebsiella pneumoniae* isolated from fishes of West Bengal**" is an authentic and original research work done by me under the joint supervision of Dr. Sagar Acharya, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore and Dr. Bijay Kumar Behera, Principal Scientist, ICAR-Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute, Barrackpore.

I further declare that the literature assistance obtained for this work has been duly acknowledged. Also I have incorporated all the corrections as suggested by the examiner.

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