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STATUS OF BENTHIC MOLLUSCS AS POLLUTION BIOINDICATORS IN RIVER GANGA

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Benthic fauna of river Ganga is diversified and distributed over a vast stretch of land. These organisms are often used as biomarkers of the environment to detect the pollution status of the river. Based on the availability of the common molluscan species in the Gangetic river, the bioindicators are identified. A detailed description about the benthic molluscan community has been depicted the study. A health card has been shown for easy detection of the pollution status of the riverine health. This detects the pollution indicator species in the river stretch. The article sums up the knowledge of riverine health through molluscan community of river Ganga.