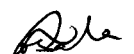


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I hereby declare that the research work embodied in this thesis entitled **“Identification and characterization of host factors, especially Origin Recognition Complex and Rad54 proteins, and elucidation of their functional roles in Geminiviral DNA replication”** has been carried out by me under the supervision of **Dr. Sunil Kumar Mukherjee** in Plant Molecular Biology Group, International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, New Delhi, India.

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