

**No. 15-5/2008-NTCA(Part-III)**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment & Forests  
(Project Tiger)  
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Dated the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2009

To,

**The Senior Pay and Accounts Officer,**  
Ministry of Environment & Forests,  
Paryavaran Bhavan,  
New Delhi

Sub: Raising, arming, and deploying the Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) in **Uttrakhand for Corbett Tiger Reserve**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the raising, arming and deploying the Special Tiger Protection Force in **Uttrakhand for Corbett Tiger Reserve** at a total cost of Rs. 3.72 Crore (Rupees Three Crore and Seventy Two Lakhs only) as per the guidelines for constituting the Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) issued vide this office letter no. 15-5/2008-NTCA (Part-I) dated 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2009.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the competent authority to the release of an amount of **Rs. 93.00** Lakhs (Rupees Ninety Three Lakhs only) i.e, 25% of total estimated cost of Rs. 3.72 Crore (Rupees Three Crore and Seventy Two Lakhs only) to Government of **Uttrakhand** for disbursement to The Chief Wildlife Warden for raising, arming and deploying Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) in respect of **Corbett Tiger Reserve** during the current financial year 2008-09.

3. **No expenditure is to be incurred by the State Government till the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is signed. A copy of which is enclosed herewith.**

4. The payment sanctioned above is provisional and is subject to the adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure. Other terms and conditions of the payment are as under:

- a) The grant is in accordance with the pattern of financial assistance approved by the Planning Commission and the Ministry of Finance.
- b) The grant sanctioned is subject to the adjustment on basis of the terms and conditions approving the scheme.

5. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Central Account Section, Reserve Bank of India, Nagpur, may kindly be advised to pass credit to the books of the State Government of **Uttrakhand** under intimation to this Ministry.

6. The expenditure involved will be met from within the Sanctioned Budget Grants of Centrally Sponsored Project tiger Scheme under Demand No. 29, Ministry of Environment

and Forests, Major Head 3601 – Grants-in-aid to the State Governments, 3601.04- Grants-in-aid for Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme, 3601.04.659-Environmental Forestry and Wildlife – Wildlife Preservation, 3601.04.659.03- Project tiger, 3601.04.659.03.00.31- Grants-in-aid for the year 2008-09 (Plan).

8. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 580/JS & FA/F/09) dated 27.03.2009.

**Yours faithfully,**

**(Dr. Rajesh Gopal)**  
**Inspector General of Forests (PT)**  
**& MS(NTCA)**

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Uttrakhand, Dehradun.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Uttrakhand, Dehradun.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Uttrakhand, Dehradun.
4. The Field Director, Corbett Tiger Reserve, Ramnagar, Uttrakhand
5. The Accountant General, Uttrakhand, Dehradun.
6. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
7. Forest Finance Division, MoEF, New Delhi.
8. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
9. Dy. Advisor (Forestry), S&T Division, Planning Commission, Yojana Bhavan, New Delhi.
10. Dy. Director, Wildlife Preservation, Southern Region/Northern Region/Eastern Region/Western Region.
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**(Dr. Rajesh Gopal)**  
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