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Government of India  
Ministry of Environment and Forests  
National Tiger Conservation Authority

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To

The Sr. Pay & Accounts Officer,  
Ministry of Environment & Forests,  
New Delhi.

**Sub: Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme 'Project Tiger' Administrative Approval for funds release to Panna Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh during 2008-09.**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Panna Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh at the cost of Rs. 18374.50 lakhs (Rupees Eighteen thousand three hundred seventy four lakhs fifty thousand only) as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 136.10 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the government of India and the Government of Madhya Pradesh. The remaining cost of the scheme will be treated as 100% Central Assistance by the Government of India.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment and release of an amount of Rs. 494.708 lakhs (Rupees Four hundred ninety four lakhs seventy thousand eight hundred only) as the 1<sup>st</sup> installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Madhya Pradesh during the current financial year 2008-09. The balance amount of the Central Assistance will be released in due course after a review of the progress of expenditure/work is undertaken.

3. The grants-in-aid will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in the memorandum of the Centrally Sponsored Project Tiger Scheme. The Grants-in-Aid is also subject to the Chapter 9 of the General Financial Rules 2005, as amended from time to time, read with the Government of India's decision incorporated there-under, and any other guidelines which may be issued in this regard, and in particular to the following conditions:-

- (i) All relevant information and documents/certificates as required under GFR 209(I) have been received.
- (ii) The pattern of assistance of rules governing such grants-in-aid have received the approval of the Ministry of Finance, as required under Government of India decision No. (1) under DFPR-Rules 20.
- (iii) Terms and conditions of the service of the employees employed in the Panna Tiger Reserve under the Project Tiger Scheme are not higher than those applicable to similar categories of employees of Central Government and where it is not in accordance with above, the relaxation of Ministry of Finance have been obtained for such discrepancies as required under GFR 208(6)(iv)(a).

- (iv) Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Grants shall not be disposed off without obtaining the prior approval of the sanctioning authority of Grants-in-aid.
- (v) The Government of Madhya Pradesh agrees to make reservations for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes or OBC in the posts or services under its control on the lines indicated by Govt. of India.
- (vi) The accounts of the Panna Tiger Reserve shall be audited by C&AG or by any person authorized by him on his behalf in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (DPC) Act, 1972 as amended from time to time.
- (vii) The accounts of the Project Tiger Scheme shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provision of C&AG (DPC) Act, 1972 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.
- (viii) The Utilisation Certificate against the earlier funds released under Grants-in-aid have been received and accepted by the competent authority.
- (ix) Government of Madhya Pradesh in respect of Panna Tiger Reserve may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report on or before 31.3.2009.
- (x) Noted at Serial No. 2 in the Register of Grants.
- (xi) Panna Tiger Reserve will spend Grants-in-aid exclusively in pursuance of the objectives envisaged in rules/memorandum of the Centrally Sponsored 'Project Tiger Scheme' and for the purpose it is being sanctioned.
- (xii) Grants-in-aid to Government of Madhya Pradesh is subject to the Economy Instructions issued from time to time by the Ministry of Finance or by the Competent Authority.
- (xiii) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized before the end of the current financial year 2008-09 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by Government of Madhya Pradesh to the Govt. of India.
- (xiv) Government of Madhya Pradesh in respect of Panna Tiger Reserve will maintain a separate account and will present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 209(xiii).
- (xv) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized for Panna Tiger Reserve strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority and Government of Madhya Pradesh.

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of Madhya Pradesh is not required to furnish bond and sureties, in accordance with the Ministry of Finance O.M. No. 14(1)-EII(A)/64 dated 23.6.1965.

5. 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 the basis of the terms and conditions approving the scheme.

6. No deviation from the approved items of expenditure as enumerated in the annexure shall be made without prior concurrence of the Government of India. The guidelines for implementation of National Tiger Conservation Authority shall be fully adhered to. The Chief Wildlife Warden and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the State Government should be directed to ensure that the field works are in accordance with the Management Plan and the Annual Plan of Operation by the field inspections from time to time.

7. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Central Accounts Section, Reserve Bank of India, Nagpur, may kindly be advised to pass on credit to the books of the State Government of Madhya Pradesh under intimation to this Department.

8. 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).

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 1203/JS&FA/F/08 dated 28.7.2008.

Yours faithfully,

(S.P. Yadav)  
Joint Director (NTCA)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal. A copy of the detailed sanctioned letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2008-09 may kindly be furnished to this Department immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
4. The Field Director, Panna Tiger Reserve, Panna District, Madhya Pradesh.
5. The Accountant General, Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
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.
11. Guard file/Spare copies.

(S.P. Yadav)  
Joint Director (NTCA)

**ANNEXURE**

**ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (2008-09)**  
**Panna Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh**

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Description of works	Location			Quantity/ Unit of work	Amount
		Range	Beat/ Place	Compartment No.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>A</b>	<b>Antipoaching Activities</b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>Deployment of antipoaching squads</b>					
	Deployment of squads of ex-army personnels at Range level for added protection.	Panna, Hinota, Madla, Chadranagar, Gangau, Ken ghariyal	-	-	One supervisor and 30 gunman and jawans)	15.00
<b>2</b>	<b>Deployment of Tiger Protection Force</b>					
	Deployment of squads of ex-army personnels and local EDC members with hiring of vehicles.	Panna, Hinota, Madla, Chadranagar, Gangau, Ken ghariyal	-	-	1 supervisor, 4gunmen, 6 jawans, 15 EDC members and 1 vehicles.	20.00
<b>3</b>	<b>Construction of Patrolling Camps</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
		Tiger Reserve	Raja Baria		1	2.00
			Rajgarh		1	2.00
<b>4</b>	<b>Construction of Watch Tower</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
		Hinota	Bharar		1	2.00
<b>5</b>	<b>Construction of Wireless Station</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
		Panna	Panna		1	2.00
<b>6</b>	<b>Purchase of Wireless equipment and accessories</b>					
<b>(I)</b>	<b>Wireless sets</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
	i. Fixed sets	Tiger Reserve	-	-	2	0.20
	ii. Mobile sets		-	-	3	0.30
	iii. Hand held sets		-	-	10	0.80

<b>(II)</b>	Accessories					
	Purchase of Solar Panels for Handset charger for all Beat Guards, Range Assistants and Patrolling Camps	Tiger Reserve	-	-	50	1.50
<b>7</b>	<b>Procurement of vehicles</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
<b>(I)</b>	Hiring of vehicle for patrolling	Adjoining buffer of North Panna, South Panna and Chattarpur Divisions	-	-	3	10.80
<b>(II)</b>	Scorpio- 4 Wheel drive	Tiger Reserve	-	-	1	7.50
<b>B</b>	<b>Strengthening of infrastructure</b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>Civil works</b>					
<b>(I)</b>	Construction of buildings				<b>Nos.</b>	
	Ministrial Staff, Drivers, Wireless operators Quarter	Panna	Panna	-	3	6.00
<b>2</b>	<b>Creation of earthen ponds</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
		Madla	Khilachoki	242	1	3.00
		Hinota	Bargari		1	2.00
<b>C</b>	<b>Mainstreaming wildlife concerns in tiger bearing forests</b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>Compensation</b>					
	Compensation in cattle kill and human injury / death cases by wild animals.					3.00
<b>D</b>	<b>Provision of Project Allowance to staff (all categories) of Project Tiger</b>					
	Payment of Project Allowance to staff		Panna, Madla, Hinota, Chandranagar, Gangau, Ken Ghariyal	-	141 Nos.	13.80
<b>E</b>	<b>Research Activities</b>					
<b>1</b>	Description of proposed Research, institution individual hired, duration	Tiger Reserve	-	-	LS	10.00
<b>F</b>	<b>Staff development and capacity building</b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other Tiger Reserves.</b>				<b>Nos.</b>	
	a. Trainings	Tiger Reserve	-	-	124 Nos. of Staff	1.00
<b>G</b>	<b>Safeguards/ Retrofitting measures in the interest of Wildlife Conservation</b>					
<b>1</b>	Transportation of Feral Cattle	PTR			2000	5.00
<b>H</b>	<b>Rehabilitation package for traditional hunting tribes</b>					
	i. School Buildings and Hostels	Tiger Reserve	-	-	1 Nos.	20.00
	<b>Non Recurring Works</b>					<b>127.90</b>

<b>I</b>	<b>CO-EXISTENCE AGENDA IN BUFFER/ FRINGE AREAS</b>					
<b>ECO-DEVELOPMENT WORKS</b>						
	<b>A. Prophylactic immunization of livestock</b>					
	To carry out prophylactic immunization of cattle in Panna Tiger Reserve.	-	-	-	Around 1,25,000 cattle of 168 villages	0.50
<b>TOTAL OF ECO-DEVELOPMENT WORKS</b>						<b>0.50</b>
<b>J</b>	<b>CREATING INVIOATE SPACES FOR WILDLIFE BY RELOCATION OF VILLAGERS FROM CRITICAL TIGER HABITAT</b>					
	a. Payment of compensation as per the norm fixed by NTCA under either options to the families of villages forming part of Critical Tiger Habitat in Panna Tiger Reserve.	Tiger Reserve	Budhrod and Talgaon Villages	-	223 Nos. of Beneficiaries	2230.00
		Tiger Reserve	Dhoran, Palkohan, Khariyani	-	1588 Nos. of Beneficiaries	15880.00
<b>TOTAL OF RELOCATION OF VILLAGERS FROM CRITICAL TIGER HABITAT</b>						<b>18110.00</b>
<b>TOTAL NON RECURRING WORKS</b>						<b>18238.40</b>
	<b><u>RECURRING WORKS</u></b>					
	<b>Habitat Development</b>					
	a. Weed Eradication	Panna	Bundala baba	1339	100 Hec.	1.00
		Chandranagar	choken	Shifted village Chokan	50 Hec.	0.50
	b. Grass meadow development	Madla	Pipertola, Surajpura	-	50 Hec.	1.00
	<b>Protection Wages</b>					
	a. Patrolling Camp Watchers General Patrolling	Tiger Reserve	Panna, Madla, Hinota, Chandranagar	-	207 watchers for 12 months	50.00
	b. Monsoon Patrolling	Tiger Reserve	Panna, Madla, Hinota, Chandranagar	-	60 watchers for 4 months	1.00
	c. Wages of wireless attendants	Tiger Reserve	Panna, Madla, Hinota, Chandranagar	-	35 for 12 months	12.60
	d. Patrolling from outside camps	Tiger Reserve	Patrolling Squad, Panna, Madla, Hinota, Chandranagar	-	34 watchers for 12 months	10.00
	<b>Maintenance of Protection infrastructure</b>					

	a. Maintenance of wireless sets	Tiger Reserve	Panna, Hinota, Madla, Chandranagar	-	LS	2.00
	b. POL for Vehicles	Tiger Reserve	Panna, Hinota, Madla, Chandranagar	-	33 Nos. of Vehicles	15.00
	c. Maintenance of roads	Tiger Reserve	Panna, Hinota, Madla, Chandranagar	-	356 Kms.	10.00
	<b>Fire Protection</b>					
	a. Fireline Cleaning and Burring (Fire watchers, training programmes, publicity & purchase of misl. Materials etc.)	Tiger Reserve	-	-	1276 kms.	
	i. Block burning		-	-	350.18 hec.	
	a. Fire watchers engaged	Tiger Reserve	-	-	74 watchers for 4 monhs	
	b. Fire watcher Camps	Tiger Reserve	-	-	8 Nos.	15.00
	c. Fire fighting equipment (Ist)	Tiger Reserve	-	-	LS	
	d. Purchase of Provisions for fire fighting teams	Tiger Reserve	-	-	LS	
	e. Fire watch Towers	Tiger Reserve	Hinota, Chandranagar	Onthi, Mangrela	2 Nos.	
	<b>Human Resource Development</b>					
	a. Study tours	Tiger Reserve	-	-	1 No. of Staff trained/No. of Training organised	0.60
	<b>Population Estimation &amp; Monitoring</b>					
	a. Wages of people engaged in estimation exercise	Tiger Reserve	-	-	213No. of persons engaged for 7 days	
	b. Equipment	Tiger Reserve	-	-	40 No. of Camera trap units	1.00
	c. Pre Exercise Training	Tiger Reserve	-	-	6 No. of training at Range level	
	<b>Office expenses</b>					
	Maintenance of office equipment	Tiger Reserve	-	-	LS	5.00
	<b>Maintenance of equipment</b>					
	Maintenance of computer & equipment and softwares	Tiger Reserve	-	-	LS	3.00
	<b>Cattle Immunization</b>					
	Purchase of Vaccines	Tiger Reserve	-	-	LS	5.50
	<b>Maintenance of Conservation education &amp; Awareness and inter pretation, Ecotourism facilities</b>					

	a. Wildlife week Celebrations	Tiger Reserve	-	-	200 Nos. of programmes and expected no. of children participating	0.50
	i. Wages for Computer Operatrors	Tiger Reserve	-	-	4 Computer Operators 12 month	2.40
	<b>Total Recurring-</b>					<b>136..10</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>					<b>18374.50</b>

**Detail of release during 2008-09**

**Sanction**

'A'	Non-recurring (Including relocation of villages)	Rs. 18237.90 lakhs
'B'	Recurring	Rs. 136.10 lakhs
'C'	Ecodevelopment	Rs. 0.50 lakhs
<b>TOTAL SANCTION</b>		<b>Rs. 18374.50 lakhs</b>

**Central Assistance**

100% of A	Rs. 18237.90 lakhs
50% of B	Rs. 68.05 lakhs
100% of C	Rs. 0.50 lakhs
<b>TOTAL CENTRAL ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>Rs. 18306.45 lakhs</b>

Adjustment of unspent balance of previous financial year 2007-08 Rs. 5.292 lakhs

Amount being released as Ist Installment (Rs. 500.00 lakhs-Rs. 5.292 lakhs) Rs. 494.708 lakhs

**\* Ecodevelopment initiatives should be based on normative guidelines of the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India issued earlier based on village level, site specific, participatory micro plan with reciprocal commitment between the tiger reserve and the local people**