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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 Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh during 2009-10.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in **Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh** at the cost of **Rs.1367.84 lakhs (Rupees One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Seven Lakhs and Eighty Four Thousand only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 223.84 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the government of India and the **Government of Chhattisgarh**. 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. 1193.50 Lakhs (Rupees One Thousand One Hundred Ninety Three Lakhs and Fifty Thousand only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to **Government of Chhattisgarh** during the current financial year 2009-10. 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 **Achanakmar 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 Chhattisgarh** 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 **Achanakmar 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 Chhattisgarh** in respect of **Achanakmar Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report on or before 31.3.2010.
 - (x) Noted at Serial No. 2 in the Register of Grants.
 - (xi) **Achanakmar 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 Chhattisgarh** 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 2009-10 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Chhattisgarh** to the Govt. of India.
 - (xiv) **Government of Chhattisgarh** in respect of **Achanakmar 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 **Achanakmar Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority and **Government of Chhattisgarh**.

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the **Government of Chhattisgarh** 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 Chhattisgarh** 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 2009-10 (Plan).

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 855/DS (IFD)/09 dated 07.08.2009

Yours faithfully,

(S.P. Yadav)
Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Raipur. A copy of the detailed sanctioned letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2009-10 may kindly be furnished to this Department immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
4. The Field Director, Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh-494001.
5. The Accountant General, Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
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)
Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION 2009-10
CORE AREA
Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh

Rs. in Lakhs

Sl. No.	Items of Works	Qty.	Amount Recommended by IGF & MS (NTCA)
(A)	NON-RECURRING		
I	Habitat Improvement		
a	Development of Grass Meadows	100	15.00
b	Fire Protection		
	Cutting of New Fire Lines-Cutting of Bushes and plants of under 20 cm. Girth width 6 mtr. And scraping of weeds etc.	50	9.00
II	Wildlife Management (Extension of Communication Network)		
a	Wireless handset	20	3.00
b	Construction of Residence cum watch tower	1	3.50
c	Motor cycle for Forests Guard	7	4.20
d	Computer, FAX machine and Photocopy machine, Scanner and Colour Printer 1	1	3.00
e	Digital Camera	5	1.00
f	GPS	5	1.00
h	Metal Detector	1	1.00
i	One Scorpio and one Gypsy (new T.R.)	2	15.00
k	Binocular	5	2.00
m	Laptop	1	0.60
n	Tranquilizing Gun	1	2.00
o	Cell Phone	10	0.50
p	Procurement of field gear for 80 employees	80	3.00
q	Procurement of Elephant	1	7.00
r	Construction of PIP	200	4.00
s	Publicity, Banner, Posters, Sign Boards, Printing materials		1.00
t	Employment of ex-Army	15	9.00
u	Awards for exemplary works to subordinate staff		0.50
IV	Up-gradation of Roads and Construction of Culverts		
	Infrastructure Development		
a	Patrolling Camp	3	6.00
b	Check Post	4	8.00
V	Village relocation	1000 families	1000.00
VI	Preparation of Management plan with field exercise		2.00
VIII	Project Allowance- (1 Director, 1 Dy. Director, 1 Asst. Director, 3 Range officer, 20 A.R.O., 100 F. G. & equivalent rank, 10 official staff)		6.00
	TOTAL (NON-RECURRING)		1107.30
(B)	RECURRING		
I	Water Hole Development		
	Maintenance and deepening of water hole/Desiltation	10	20.00

II	Habitat Improvement		
(a)	Habitat manipulation:-		
	Eradication of weeds For improvement of grassland, pruning, cutting and stump dressing of fodders species.	2	20.00
(b)	Fire Protection:-		
	Maintenance of Fire Lines		
i	External Fire Line-40 feet	400	3.20
ii	Internal Fire Line-		
	20 Feet	666	3.33
	10 Feet	1064	4.26
IV	Veterinary Care		
	Purchase of medicine & Vaccination of local animals (25 Forests villages)	25	2.50
V	Educational tour, Training, Publicity		
	Printing publicity materials, preparation of sign boards, Workshop, seminar & Wild Life Week		2.00
VI	Census & Monitoring		
	Census of wild animals & Monitoring of habitat		2.00
VII	Up-gradation of Roads and Construction of Culverts		
(i)	Maintenance of Forest rest House	4	4.00
(ii)	Repairing fo existing Forest Road 100 km	100	20.00
(iv)	Maintenance of existing 10 stop dams and annie cuts	10	2.50
VIII	Compensation		
	Cattle/Human Killed by wild animals		2.00
IX	Legal Court Cases		0.50
X	Staff Development and Capacity building		
	Training in management planning, study tours, Specialized training in anti poaching operation & wild life forensics.		2.00
XI	Employment of local Force of 50 beats in a group of 3 chowkidar for 3 months	150	54.00
XII	Maintenance of Vehicle and petrol		10.00
	TOTAL (RECURRING)		152.29

ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION 2009-10

BUFFER AREA

Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh

			Rs. in Lakhs
Sl. No.	Items of Works	Qty.	Amount Recommended by IGF & MS (NTCA)
(A)	NON-RECURRING		
I	Habitat Improvement		
a	Development of Grass Meadows	50	7.50
b	Fire Protection		
	Cutting of New Fire Lines-Cutting of Bushes and plants of under 20 cm. Girth width 6 tnr. And scraping of weeds etc.	25	4.50
II	Wildlife Management (Extension of Communication Network)		
a	Wireless handset	5	1.50
b	Construction of Residence cum watch tower	2	7.00
c	Motor cycle for Forests Guard	2	1.20

e	Digital Camera	5	1.00
f	GPS	5	1.00
s	Publicity, Banner, Posters, Sign Boards, Printing materials		1.00
t	Employment of ex-Army	5	3.00
IV	Up-gradation of Roads and Construction of Culverts		
	Infrastructure Development		
b	Check Post	4	8.00
V	Project Allowance		1.00
	TOTAL (NON-RECURRING)		36.70
(B)	RECURRING		
I	Water Hole Development		
	Maintenance and deepening of water hole/Desiltation	5	10.00
II	Habitat Improvement		
(a)	Habitat manipulation:-		
	Eradication of weeds For improvement of grassland, pruning, cutting and stump dressing of fodders species.	50	7.50
(b)	Fire Protection:-		
	Maintenance of Fire Lines		
i	External Fire Line-40 feet	200	1.60
ii	Internal Fire Line-		
	20 Feet	300	1.50
	10 Feet	400	1.60
IV	Veterinary Care		
	Purchase of medicine & Vaccination of local animals (5 Forests villages)	5	1.25
VI	Census & Monitoring		
	Census of wild animals & Monitoring of habitat		1.00
VII	Up-gradation of Roads and Construction of Culverts		
(i)	Maintenance of Forest rest House	3	6.00
(ii)	Repairing fo existing Forest Road 50 km	50	20.00
(iv)	Maintenance of existing 10 stop dams and annie cuts	5	2.50
VIII	Compensation		
	Cattle/Human Killed by wild animals		4.00
IX	Legal Court Cases		1.00
X	Staff Development and Capacity building		
	Training in management planning, study tours, Specialized training in anti poaching operation & wild life forensics.		1.00
XI	Employment of local Force of 50 beats in a group of 3 chowkidar for 3 months	30	12.60
	TOTAL (RECURRING)		71.55

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item	Sanction		Central Assistance	
		CORE	BUFFER	CORE	BUFFER
1.	Non-recurring	1107.30	36.70	1107.30	36.70
2.	Recurring	152.29	71.55	76.145	35.775
	Total	1259.59	108.25	1183.445	72.475

Total Sanction	Rs. 1367.84 lakhs
Central Assistance	Rs. 1255.92 lakhs
Ist release (includes Rs. 1000.00 lakhs for village relocation)	Rs. 1200.00 lakhs
Adjustment of previous balance	Rs. 6.50 lakhs
Net release after adjustment (Rs. 1200.00 lakhs – 6.50 lakhs)	Rs. 1193.50 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**