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

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Dated the 11th December, 2009

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 Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam 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 **Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam** at the cost of **Rs. 376.8365 lakhs (Rupees Three hundred Seventy Six lakhs Eighty Three thousand Six hundred and Fifty only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 162.592 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the government of India and the **Government of Assam**. 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. 165.00 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Sixty Five lakhs only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to **Government of Assam** 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 **Kaziranga 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 Assam** 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 **Kaziranga 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 Assam** in respect of **Kaziranga 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) **Kaziranga 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 Assam** 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 Assam** to the Govt. of India.
- (xiv) **Government of Assam** in respect of **Kaziranga 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 **Kaziranga Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (**Kaziranga Tiger Reserve**) and **Government of Assam**.

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the **Government of Assam** 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 Assam** 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. D1710/Dir.(IFD/F.F.) dated 9.12.2009.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Assam, Guwahati. 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 Assam, Guwahati.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Assam, Guwahati.
4. The Field Director, Kaziranga Tiger Reserve, Assam.
5. The Accountant General, Assam, Guwahati.
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)
KAZIRANGA TIGER RESERVE, ASSAM**

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item of works	Qty.	Location	Amount recommended by IGF & MS (NTCA) for 2009-10
I	Protection –I			
1	Re-construction of Camps			5.00
2	Construction of Floating Camps			15.00
	Protection-II			
3	Procurement of Arms (0.315 rifles)			8.30
	Protection-III			
4	Construction of Inovative Kaziranga type Floating Bridges			10.00
	Building-II			
5	Transit Camp for field staff			3.00
	Eco-development /Man-Animal co-existence			
6	Fuel Wood Plantation			3.50
7	Power Fence upkeep including clearing of 6 mtr. Wide strip on both sides of the fence			2.55
	Research and monitoring infrastructure			
8	Project on prey predator relationship and habitat utilization by Tiger prey species			6.00
	TOTAL			53.35

**ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE YEAR 2009-10
OF EASTERN ASSAM WILDLIFE DIVISION**

Sl. No.	Item of works	Qty.	Location	Amount recommended by IGF & MS (NTCA) for 2009-10
	NON-RECURRING			
A	Anti-Poaching (Including Monsoon measure)			
1	Establishment of anti-poaching camp	3	ER-(1 nos. borbil) WR- (1 nos.)Pengagan NR- (1 nos.) Tewaripal	21.00
2	Establishment augumentation of Wireless network			
i	Base station with steel tower and fitted with solar lighting equipment	3	KNP, Additions Fringe Area	3.00
ii	Handheld sets	15	KNP, Additions Fringe Area	2.10
3	Procurement of lead acid battery pack	20	Wireless base station, solar lighting system	2.00
4	Procurement of country boats	10	PA. RF	2.50
5	Life Jacket	50 @ Rs. 3000	PA. RF	1.50
6	Highway patrol	LS	NH37, nearby area	1.00

7	Baricade & rumble strips	10	Fringe area, NH-37	0.30
9	Procurement of Arms (0.315)	10	PA & RF	4.15
10	Procurement of Arms (DBBL)	10	PA & RF	3.00
11	Ammunition for .315 and gun	LS		2.00
13	Procurement of GPS sets	10		1.20
14	Procurement of binocular	10		0.50
15	Procurement of night vision	2		1.00
B	STRENGTHENING OF INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN KTR			
1	Electrification Of staff quarter	25	Office and residential complex at Bokakhat, Agaratoli , kohara, Baguri, Curapahar, Ghorakati.Fringe area of KTR	5.00
2	Office building extension	LS	Fringe area	4.00
C	STRENGTHENING OF INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN KTR (continued from previous year)			
1	Construction of surveillance Fire/wildlife observation tower	2	PA. RF	10.00
2	Creation of fire lines/management /census block boundary	55km		5.50
3	Procurement of deep freezer	1		5.00
4	Procurement of Range finder	1		0.50
D	HABITAT IMPROVEMENT			
1	Construction of permanent water retention bund	5	PA	10.00
E	MAN ANIMAL CONFLICT			
1	Ex-gratia cattle lifting, injury/death		Fringe area	5.00
2	Procurement of trap cage	2	Fringe area	1.00
F	COEXISTEN IN FRINGE AREA			
1	Honey bee	50	Fringe area	5.00
2	Solar lighting System	10		3.20
G	STAFF DEVELOPMENT & CAPACITY BUILDING			
1	Arms training		Staff	0.50
2	Study tour		Staff	1.00
H	PROJECT TIGER ALLOWANCE			
1	Project tiger allowance(only to staff on payrolls)			32.35050
	TOTAL			133.3005
	RECURRING			
A	Anti-Poaching			
1	POL			
i	Patrol	25000	PA, RF, Fringe Area	12.50
Ii	Diesel	9000	PA, RF, Fringe Area	3.60
Iii	Mobil	300	PA, RF, Fringe Area	0.45
2	Repair of camps	25 @ Rs. 50,000	PA, RF, Fringe Area	12.50
B	Arms repair	100	PA, RF, Fringe Area	2.00
4.	Wages for increase mental staff	10000Mand ays	PA, RF, Fringe Area	1.00
C	Anti poaching patrolling path	275 km	PA, RF, Fringe Area	22.00
1	Repair of Central Path	35km	PA, RF, Fringe Area	14.00
2	Repair of fair weather path	100 km	PA, RF, Fringe Area	12.00
3	Preparation of boat lines	48km	PA, RF, Fringe Area	3.84
4	Repair of wooden bridge	5	PA, RF, Fringe Area	5.00
5	Repair of culvert approach	15	PA, RF, Fringe Area	1.25
D	WIRELESS COMMUNICATIN			
1	Annual license fees	15	PA, RF, Fringe Area	1.11
2	Repair of wireless set	80	PA, RF, Fringe Area	1.00

3	Torch light cell	12 cell x 12 month x 180 camp,H Boats= 25920 nos.	PA, RF	3.00
4	Kerosene oil	10 ltr. X 12 months x 180 =21600 ltr	PA, RF	2.59200
E	Vehicle Maintenance			
1	Vehicle Repair	23 nos.	PA, RF, Fringe Area	5.00
2	Mechanized boat repair	6	PA, RF, Fringe Area	5.00
F	OFFICE & BUILDING			
1.	Repair of residential unit	60 units	Fringe area	2.00
G	FLOOD MANAGEMENT			
1	POL for patrolling	500 ltr.	PA, RF, HQ, nearby villages	2.50
2	Rescue and veterinary care to distressed wild animals	LS	PA,RF, nearby villages	0.50
3	Publicity and awareness campaign	15 meeting	PA,RF, nearby villages	1.00
4	Reward to volunteer during flood	Case specific	Fringe villages	0.50
5	Temporary Camps	15	Fringe area	1.00
6	Health camps for the staff & labour	5 @ Rs. 10,000/-	PA, RF	0.50
7	Poster, pamphlet	LS	Fringe area, NH-37	0.50
8	Legal support	LS		1.00
	TOTAL			117.342

**DETAILS OF WORKS PROPOSED FOR NAGAON DIVISION UNDER PROJECT TIGER
(Kaziranga Tiger Reserve)
FOR 2009-10**

Sl. No.	Item of works	Qty.	Location	Amount recommended by IGF & MS (NTCA) for 2009-10
	NON-RECURRING			
I	Anti-Poaching			
1	Establishment of Anti-Poaching camps	2	LWLS-1 BWLS-1	14.00
2	Establishment of Home guard barrack	1	HQ	8.00
3	Strengthening wireless network	LS	LWLS BWLS	3.00
5	Revival of central path for patrolling incl. culverts.	20 km	LWLS BWLS	5.00
6	Supply of field gears and equipments like vehicle tracking, , Headphones etc.	LS	Wildlife Protection Squad	2.00
II	STRENGTHENING INFRASTRUCTURE			
A	Civil Works			
1	Staff Quarter	1	Protection Squad	7.50
B	Vehicles			
C	E-Governance			
1	Computer hardware, software and networking (through NIC)	HQ and Field office	HQ/LWLS/BWLS	3.00

D	Renewable energy			
1	Providing Solar power units, Solar lights, Lanterns, water heating and accessories		AP Camps Ranges & HQ	5.00
E	Others			
1	Procurement of boats and accessories to machine boat		LWLS/BWLS	5.00
III	MAN ANIMAL CONFLICT MANAGEMENT			
1	Anti-depredation measures, compensation etc.		In and a round Pas	2.00
IV	COEXISTENCE AGENDA			
1	Conduct of meetings, competitions, field visits, camping for stakeholders, students etc.		LWLS BWLS	1.00
V	RESEARCH AND FIELD EQUIPMENTS			
1	Conduct of workshops, meeting, trainings, participatory planning		LWLS BWLS	0.50
2	Procurement of GPS, Binoculars, Range finders etc, for monitoring		LWLS BWLS	2.00
3	Providing of Photo copier		F.D. office	0.70
VI	STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND CAPACITY BUILDING			
1	Training in Computers			0.50
2	Field visits, tours for staff			1.00
3	Project Allowance w.e.f. Dec-07 to Mar.-2010 (only to staff on payrolls	28 months Dec.-07 to March 2010		12.744
VIII	HBITATMANAGEMENT			
1	Highlands Construction	2		6.00
2	Desiltation of Bhils	2		2.00
	TOTAL			80.944
	RECURRING			
1	Repair and maintenance of vehicles		Division	3.00
2	Repair and maintenance of AP camps	10	LWLS BWLS	10.00
3	Repair and maintenance of Staff quarters	4	LWLS BWLS	4.00
4	Repair and maintenance of Roads, patrolling path etc.		LWLS BWLS	4.00
5	Repair and maintenance of Wireless system		LWLS , BWLS, HQ	1.00
6	Repair and maintenance of office building	3	LWLS , BWLS, HQ	3.00
7	Repair and maintenance of boats/machine boats		LWLS , BWLS, HQ	2.00
8	Repair and maintenance of Computer system and accessories	3	LWLS , BWLS, HQ	1.00
9	Weed removal/Desilting of water bodies and grass lands	3	LWLS , BWLS, HQ	3.75
10	Provision of Logistics, wages etc to Home guard, Casual Labours, locals involved in protection		HQ	4.00
11	Office Maintenance		HQ	1.00
12	Maintenance of arms and supply of ammunition			2.00
13	Maintenance of Forest IBs	2		2.00

14	Maintenance of protection barrack	2		2.00
VII	STAFF WELFARE ACTIVITIES			
1	Medical-check ups for staff			0.50
2	First-aid facility for fields staff			1.00
3	Reward incentives and conduct of sports meets			1.00
	TOTAL			45.25

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item	Sanction		Central Assistance	
		Nagaon	Eastern Assam	Nagaon	Eastern Assam
1.	Non-recurring	80.944	133.3005	80.944	133.3005
2.	Recurring	45.250	117.3420	22.625	58.6710
	Total	126.194	250.6425	103.569	191.9715
	GRAND TOTAL	376.8365		295.5405	

- (i) Total Sanction Rs. 376.8365 lakhs
(ii) Central Assistance Rs. 295.5405 lakhs
(iii) Ist release Rs. 165.0000 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