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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 Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra during 2010-11.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra at the cost of **Rs. 168.760 Lakhs (Rupees One hundred Sixty Eight lakh and Seventy Six thousand only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 112.490 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and the **Government of Maharashtra**. 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. 88.92 lakhs (Rupees Eighty Eight lakh and Ninety Two thousand only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Maharashtra during the current financial year 2010-11. 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 Pench 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 Maharashtra 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 Pench 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 Maharashtra in respect of Pench Tiger Reserve may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report on or before 31.3.2011.
- (x) Noted at Serial No. 2 in the Register of Grants.
- (xi) Pench 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 Maharashtra 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 2010-11 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by Government of Maharashtra to the Govt. of India.
- (xiv) Government of Maharashtra in respect of Pench 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 Pench Tiger Reserve strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority and Government of Maharashtra.

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of Maharashtra 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 Maharashtra 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. 30, 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 2010-11 (Plan).

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 1323/Dir.(IFD/F.F.) dated 15.6.2010.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Maharashtra, Nagpur. A copy of the detailed sanctioned letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2010-11 may kindly be furnished to this Department immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
4. The Field Director, Pench Tiger Reserve, Nagpur, Maharashtra.
5. The Accountant General, Maharashtra, Nagpur.
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.

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ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (2010-11)
Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra

(Rs. in lakh)

Sr. No	Items	Para No. of CSS-PT Guidelines	(Rs. in lakh)		
			Location	Physical Target	Amount recommended by APCCF & MS (NTCA) for 2010-11
	NON RECURRING				
	Strengthening of Infrastructure				
1	Culvert and causway	4.2	East / West Pench	6	7.500
2	Borewells with hand pump	4.2	--do--	-	-
3	Construction of semi circular tank	4.2	--do--	10	3.000
	Soil & Moisture Conservation				
1	Construction series of Bandharas	4.3	--do--	4 Nalas	4.000
	Tiger Protection Force 4.1				
1	One unit with Local force and hire vehicle		--do--	-	20.000
	Research & Field Equipment				
1	Tiger Tracking studies 4 person x 2 Team 8 person x 12 month	4.7	--do--	2 Team	1.200
2	Conducting wildlife census by transect method 2 times per year 25 Beats	4.7	PTR	25 Beat @ 8500 each	2.120
3	Purchase of Camera Trap	4.2	--do--	38 Nos.	5.000
	PROJECT ALLOWANCE				
1	Provision for Project Allowance for staff (all categories) of Project Tiger	4.15			
	1. Field Director @ 1000 p.m x 12		PTR	1	0.120
	2. ACF @ 650 Rs.p.m. x 12		--do--	2	0.160
	3. RFO @ 500 p.m. x 12		--do--	3	0.180
	4. Forester @ Rs. 450 p.m. x 12 x 8		--do--	8	0.430
	5. Forest Guard @ Rs.350 p.m		--do--	50	2.100
	6. Vanmajoor (Class IV) 26 @200		--do--	26	0.630
	7. Driver @ Rs.350 p.m x 12 x 3		--do--	3	0.130

	8.Ministerial staff-@ 350 p.m x 13 (1- Chief Accountant, 3-Accountant, 6- Clerk, 1 steno typist, 1-Mast lasker, 1- Draftman)		--do--	13	0.550
	9. Class IV -2 Peon, 1 Helper @200 p.m x 12		--do--	3	0.720
	10.Arrara of Project Alloeance for 2009-10 Vanmajoor (Class IV) @ 200 pm X 26		--do--	26	0.630
STAFF WELFARE ACTIVITIES					
1	Purchase of Solar unit for protection camps	416	East Pench West Pench	4	0.800
2	Purchase of equipment and material for protection camps	4.16	--do--	10	1.000
3	Purchase of GPS	4.2	PTR	8	1.000
Co-existence Agenda in buffer ECO DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY					
1	Preparation of micro plan for buffer zone villages	4.5	Paoni Range, Deolapar Range village	15 Nos.	1.500
2	Providing habitat suppliment to wild animal moving out of core areas * construction of water hole	4.5	Paoni Range	1 No.	2.000
	* Creation of Meadow	4.5	10 Ha. each in Deolapar Parseoni & Paoni Range	30 Ha.	1.500
TOTAL OF NON-RECURRING					56.270
B <u>RECURRING</u>					
<u>ANTI POACHING ACTIVITIES</u>					
1	Wireless communication network Royalty to G.O.I	4.1	PTR	1 network	1.000
2	Wages for wireless operator	4.1	Nagpur Piparia Kolitmara Ghatpendri Totaladoh	5 x3 = 15 @ 30000 per year	4.500
3	Maintenance and repair to wireless	4.1	PTR	B.S= 12 @5000	0.600
				M.S = 8@ 3000	0.240

				H.H= 50@1560	0.750
4	Anti fishing local force squad 11+6+3=20 patrolling boat driver west pench	4.1	Totaladoh	20 @ 30,000	6.000
5	Establishment of hotshoot orew during fire season 1 squad of 15 person in each round 4 squad = 60 person for 4 month= 240 Month	4.1	PTR	240 month @ 3000	7.200
6	Wages for labour engaged in protection camps 7 west Pench + 9= 16x3=48 48 x 12= 576 man month	4.1	East P-7 West P =9 16 16 x 3x 12	576 man month @ Rs.3000 per month	17.280
7	Check naka labour wages Paoni, Sillari, Salama,Pivarthadi, Tiger Tap, Narhar, Kolutmara, Ghatpendri, Ghati, Kirangisarra. 10x 3x12 =Man month	4.1	PTR	360 m.m @ Rs.3000 per month	10.800
8	Maintenance of office includes electric bill, phone bill, stationary etc	4.2	--do--	1 FD Office 3 Range office	3.000
9	Wages for driver of 5 vehicle +1 cleaner for truck = 6 person x 12= 72 man month	4.1	--do--	72 man month	2.160
10	Maintenance & repair to Govt. vehicle Jeep Car Motor boat] mini tractor etc. 1 qualis, 3 jeep, 2 Gypsy, 1 minitruck, 1 tractor, 3 motor boat = 11 @50000 each/ year Motor cycle 12 @ 6000/year	4.2	--do-- --do--	Rs. 11 @ 50000/ year Rs. 12 @ 6000 per year.	5.500 0.720
11	Provision for Petrol , Diesel for vehicle 11 Vehicle @ 1.00 lakh/year 12 Motor cycle @ 0.10 Lakh/year 3 Oil engine	4.2	--do-- --do-- --do--	11 12 0	11.000 1.200 0.000
	4 Generator for office 1.00/ each		--do--	4	4.000
12	Maintenance of Residential & other adm. Building	4.2	PTR	132	6.600
13	Maintenance of Forest road for patrolling of 212 @ 8000/km	4.2	--do--	212	16.960

14	Maintenance of existing water holes including construction of earthen bunds @ 3000 each	4.3	--do--	130	3.900
15	Payment of fee to pleader appointment in offence cases	4.1	--do--	-	0.600
16	Cutting & burning of fire line of different width Total = 424 km. @ 2000/ km 1) Class'A' (Outer boundary)13 mtr. Width 93 km. 2) Class'B' (Road Sides) :4m. Width (both side). 290 km. 3) Class'C' (Comptt. Lines) 3 mtr. Width 41 km.	4.2	--do--	424 km	8.480
TOTAL OF RECURRING					112.490
Total of Recurring + Non Recurring					168.760

Sl. No.	Item	Sanction	Central Assistance
1	Non-recurring	56.270	56.270
2	Recurring	112.490	56.245
	Total	168.76	112.515

Total sanction	Rs. 168.76 lakhs
Central Assistance	Rs. 112.515 lakhs
Ist release	Rs. 90.012 lakhs
Adjustment of utilized amount of previous financial year 2009-10	Rs. 1.092 lakhs
Net release (Rs. 90.012 – 1.092 lakhs)	Rs. 88.92 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