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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 Bandipur Tiger Reserve, Karnataka 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 **Bandipur Tiger Reserve, Karnataka** at the cost of **Rs. 326.894 lakhs (Rupees Three hundred Twenty Six Lakhs and Eighty Nine Thousand Four Hundred only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 277.054 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the government of India and the **Government of Karnataka**. 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. 126.854 lakhs (Rupees One Hundred Twenty Six Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand and Four Hundred only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to **Government of Karnataka** 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 **Bandipur 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 Karnataka** 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 **Bandipur 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 Karnataka** in respect of **Bandipur 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) **Bandipur 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 Karnataka** 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 Karnataka** to the Govt. of India.
- (xiv) **Government of Karnataka** in respect of **Bandipur 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 **Bandipur Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Bandipur Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Karnataka**.
- (xvi) Monitorable outcomes on the item of works contained in the sanction letter both in physical and financial terms are required to be furnished in the monthly report regularly. Compliance status on Tripartite Memorandum of Understanding is required before submission of additional or ensuing year's Annual Plan of Operation (APO).

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

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 1550/AS&FA dated 09.09.2010

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore. 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 Karnataka, Bangalore.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore.
4. The Field Director, Bandipur Tiger Reserve, Karnataka.
5. The Accountant General, Karnataka, Bangalore.
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 2010-11

Annual Plan of Operation 2010-11 for Bandipur Tiger Reserve					
3601.04.659.03.00.31-Grant-in-aid CSS/Plan 50:50 (RECURRING)					
					Rs. in Lakhs
S. No.	Item	Para No. Of CSSPT Guideline	Location	Physical	Amount recommended by APCCF & MS (NTCA) for 2010-11
	NON-RECURRING				
a.	Pending payment				
1.	Conducting eye and health camps				0.920
2.	Conducting nature camps to school children's				0.920
b.	Addressing man-animal conflict				
1.	Formation of service roads all along the newly erected solar fence	4.4		30 km	7.500
2.	Crop compensation	4.4		LS	3.00
3.	Life compensation	4.4		LS	2.00
4.	Conducting eye and health camps	4.5		10	1.00
5.	Vaccination programme (immunization of local cattles)	4.5		12000 cattles	1.00
c.	Publicity, nature awareness programmes				
1.	Conducting nature camps to school childrens	4.7.2		5	1.25
2.	Production of publicity materials like brochures, pamphlets, periodicals and books	4.7.2		LS	0.50
d.	Provision of project allowance				
1.	Project allowance field and ministerial staff	4.15			10.00
e.	Maintenance of earthen ponds and soil conservation measures				
1.	Construction of culverts / cause way	4.2.1		2	2.00
2.	Construction of bridge at Hediya range	4.2.1		1	5.00
f.	Buildings				
1.	Purchase of furnitures and equipments to strengthen of RFO office infrastructure	4.2		8	2.00
g.	Habitat improvement and water development				
1.	Weed eradication / clearance of lantana	4.3		100 ha.	3.00
h.	Man-animal conflict				
1.	Erection of solar power fence	4.4		5 km	8.75
i.	Special protection strategies				
1.	Purchase of stationary, books, maps etc.	4.2.1		LS	1.00
	TOTAL (NR)				49.84
	RECURRING				
a.	Pending payment				

1.	Improvement to the existing AP camps (repairs and light facilities etc.)				3.524
2.	Annual maintenance of existing roads				3.500
b.	Staff development and capacity building				
1.	Engaging daily wages laborers as drivers, wireless and computer operators, caretakers, Literate Asst. etc.	4.8		Approx. 50 nos.	20.00
c.	Anti-poaching activities and anti-smuggling activities				
1.	Maintenance of existing antipoaching camps (payments of wages) existing antipoaching camps 38 Nos. (4 lab x Rs. 130 x 365 days)	4.1		152 nos.	72.120
2.	Improvement to the existing AP camps (repairs and light facilities) etc.	4.1		23 nos.	5.750
d.	Repair and maintenance of protection roads				
1.	Annual maintenance of existing roads	4.2.1		250 km	30.00
e.	Maintenance of fire line / fire breaks				
1.	Maintenance of existing fire lines	4.2.2		2000 km	37.00
2.	Engaging fire watchers from Jan, 2011 to March, 2011	4.2.2		350 nos.	35.324
3.	Purchase of shoes, water cans, bill hooks and other logistics for fire watchers	4.2.2		LS	1.00
4.	Maintenance and repairs of existing fire watch towers	4.2.2		3	1.050
f.	Maintenance of earthen ponds and soil conservation measures				
1.	Deepening and desilting of existing water holes	4.2.3		11 nos.	6.050
g.	Buildings				
(a)	Construction of buildings				
1.	Improvement of DCF office	4.2.1		LS	2.00
h.	Maintenance of vehicles				
1.	Maintenance and repairs of existing protection and tourism vehicles (a) Safari buses (b) Protection lorry (c) Protection jeeps (d) Protection vehicles of officers (e) Protection bikes	4.25		34 Nos.	20.00
2.	Purchase of tyres and tubes to protection vehicles			LS	5.00
3.	Purchase of batteries to protection vehicles and antipoaching camps			LS	3.00
4.	Maintenance of existing wireless network (repairs and purchase of batteries etc)	4.2		LS	3.00
i.	Man-animal conflict				

1.	Repair and restructuring of existing elephant proof trenches by providing structural elephant barriers	4.4		2000 M ³	5.00
j.	Special protection strategies				
1.	Monsoon patrolling	4.1			15.00
2.	Vehicular patrolling squads			LS	6.00
3.	Rewards to informants			LS	0.50
4.	Improvement to computer network systems	4.2.5		LS	2.236
	TOTAL (R)				277.054
	GRAND TOTAL (NR + R)				326.894

S. no.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Non-Recurring	49.84	49.84
2.	Recurring	277.054	138.527
	TOTAL	326.894	188.367

- (i) Total Sanction - Rs. 326.894 Lakhs
- (ii) Central Assistance - Rs. 188.367 Lakhs
- (iii) Ist Release - Rs. 150.6936 Lakhs
- (iv) Adjustment of unutilized amount of previous financial year 2009-10 - Rs. 23.840 Lakhs
- (v) Net Release (Rs. 150.6936 – Rs. 23.840) Lakhs - Rs 126.854 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**