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Government of India
Ministry of Environment and Forests
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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 Nagarjunasagar Tiger Reserve, Andhra Pradesh 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 **Nagarjunasagar Tiger Reserve, Andhra Pradesh** at the cost of **Rs. 157.855 Lakhs (Rupees One Hundred Fifty Seven Lakhs and Eighty Five Thousand Five Hundred only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, **Rs. 24.995 lakhs** being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the government of India and the **Government of Andhra 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. 108.915 Lakhs (Rupees One Hundred Eight Lakhs and Ninety One Thousand Five Hundred only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to **Government of Andhra Pradesh** 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 **Nagarjunasagar 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 Andhra 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 **Nagarjunasagar 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 Andhra Pradesh** in respect of **Nagarjunasagar 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) **Nagarjunasagar 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 Andhra 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 2010-11 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Andhra Pradesh** to the Govt. of India.
- (xiv) **Government of Andhra Pradesh** in respect of **Nagarjunasagar 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 **Nagarjunasagar Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Nagarjunasagar Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Andhra Pradesh**.

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

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 1248/A.S&F dated 08.08.2010.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad. 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 Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
4. The Field Director, Nagarjunasagar Tiger Reserve, Andhra Pradesh
5. The Accountant General, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad
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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Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

ANNEXURE

APO 2010-11 FOR NAGARJUNASAGAR TIGER RESERVE					
2406-02-110 (01) CSS/Plan 50:50 (RECURRING)					
Non Recurring			(Rs. in lakhs)		
Sl. No.	Item	Para No. of CSSPT Guideline	Current year 2010-11 proposal		
			Location	Physical	Amount recommended by APCCF & MS (NTCA) for 2010-11
1	2	3	4	5	6
A	Non-Recurring (100% Central Share)				
I	Anti-Poaching activities	-	-		
1	Anti poaching activities & Vigilance in River Krishna Maintenance	-	-	40 Nos	9.000
2	Cost of panti (Plat form for boat)	-	-		2.500
II	Strengthening of infrastructure with in Tiger Reserves				
a	Construction of patrolling camps	-	-	1 No.	5.00
b	Procurement of compass, Range finder, GPS, Camera traps	-	-	LS	3.00
c	Strengthening boundaries	-	-		5.00
d	Up gradation of road network	-	-	21 km	14.00
e	Construction of watch towers	-	-	3 Nos.	12.50
f	Creation of earthen ponds	-	-	3 Nos.	1.50
III	Habitat Improvement & Water development				
i	Creation of fodder plots	-	-	42 ha	6.00
ii	Construction of check dam	-	-		0.00
iii	Construction of batteries	-	-	2 Nos.	1.500
iv	Addressing man-animal conflict				
i	Compensation for Cattle kill, human injuries & Crop damages	-	-	LS	5.50
ii	Procurement of tranquilizing equipments rescue vehicles & drugs	-	-	LS	1.00
V	Co-existence agenda in Buffer/Frinze areas				
i	Livelihood Projects	-	-	LS	4.00
ii	Providing medicare to interior villagers	-	-	LS	1.00
iii	Providing solar street lights to the interior villages	-	-	LS	1.00

VI	Research & Field equipments				
i	Procurement of facilities like GPS, Camera Traps, night vision, Range finder for estimation of Tiger Census	-	-	LS	4.00
ii	Computers for MIS & GIS maintaining data base	-	-	LS	7.00
iii	Tiger Estimation (Scat Analysis)	-	-	8 offices	3.500
iv	Biodiversity Research & ERM Lab Maint.	-	-		12.00
v	Digital Data base creation	-	-		4.00
vi	Publicity & Extension	-	-		8.00
VII	Provision of Project Allowance to staff (all categories) of Project Tiger	-	-	340 Nos.	16.860
VIII	Fostering Eco-Tourism in Tiger Reserves				
i	Devel. of infrastructure like low cost accommodation for tourists, providing guide services, providing sale outlets, managing excursions, organizing ethnic dances etc.,	-	-		5.00
	Total of Non-Recurring				132.86
B	Recurring				
I	Strengthening of infrastructures with in Tiger Reserves				
	Maintenance				
i	Maintenance of Buildings	-	-	LS	1.800
ii	Maintenance of EFC's	-	-	3 Nos.	1.00
iii	Office expenses	-	-	7 Offices	2.00
iv	Maintenance of Govt. Vehicles	-	-	18 Nos.	3.600
v	Maint. Of Animal Rescue Care Centres	-	-	2 Nos	1.250
II	Anti-Poaching activities	-	-		
i	Engaging PTG Chenchus has protection watchers Wages of Tiger Trackers	-	-	66 Nos	7.920
ii	Rewards to informers	-	-	LS	0.400
iii	Awards to staff for meritorious services	-	-	LS	0.400
iv	Strengthening of check posts	-	-	3 Nos.	0.400
v	Procurement of field gear and night vision equipments	-	-		1.00
IV	Staff Development & Capacity Building				

i	Specialized training in the use of GIS, tranquilizing, anti poaching operations	-	-		1.00
ii	Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other reserves	-	-		0.600
iii	Dissemination work shops	-	-		0.200
V	Habitat Improvement & Water Development	-	-		
i	Removal of Unwanted species of flora ie., Lantana etc.,	-	-	30 ha	0.500
ii	Desilting of water holes	-	-	20 Nos.	0.400
iii	Fire lines	-	-	20 kms	0.400
iv	Providing salt licks to Wild Animals	-	-	LS	0.350
v	Transport of water in to sacuer pits during summer (including repairs)	-	-	LS	1.770
	Total of Recurring				24.995
	Grand Total				157.855

Rs. In Lakhs

Sl. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Non-Recurring	132.86	132.86
2.	Recurring	24.995	12.495
	Total	157.855	145.355

- (i) Total Sanction - Rs. 157.855 Lakhs
(ii) Central Assistance - Rs. 145.355 Lakhs
(iii) 1st Release - Rs. 116.284 Lakhs
(iv) Adjustment of previous balance of 2009-10 - Rs. 7.369 Lakhs
(v) Net Release (116.284 -7.369) lakhs - Rs. 108.915 Lakhs

*** Eco-development 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**