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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 2011-12.

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. 456.44 Lakhs (Rupees Four hundred Fifty Six lakhs Forty Four thousand only)** as per details given in the annexure, giving details of GPS locations of proposed items. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 328.44 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. 233.776 lakhs (Rupees Two hundred Thirty Three lakhs Seventy Seven thousand Six hundred only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Chhattisgarh during the current financial year 2011-12. 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 31.3.2012.
- (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 2011-12 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, Field Director (Achanakmar Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Chhattisgarh**.
- (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 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. 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 2011-12 (Plan).

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 76/AS & FA dated 2.7.2011.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Chhattisgarh. A copy of the detailed sanctioned letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2011-12 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Chhattisgarh.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Chhattisgarh.
4. The Field Director, Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh.
5. The Accountant General, Chhattisgarh.
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. Guard file/Spare copies.

(S.P. Yadav)
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ANNEXURE**APO FOR THE YEAR 2011-12 OF ACHANAKMAR TIGER RESERVE, CHHATTISGARH****(Rs. In Lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Item	Para No. of CSS- PT Guidelines	Location	Physical Target	Amount	GPS location
NON RECURRING (Core Area)						
I	Habitat Improvement	4.3				
a.	Development of Grass Meadows		Six Relocated villages 152 Jalda, 315 Kuba, 358 Samardhasan, 210 Bokarakachhar, 223 Bankal & 208 Bahaud	200 hac.	30.00	
b.	Fire Protection -					
II	Wildlife Management (Extention of Communication Network)	4.1				
1	Wireless Handset		Core Area	20	3.00	
2	(a) Construction of Residence cum watch tower		Core Area	1	3.50	Bankal Compt. No. 223 81053'10"E, 22027'54"N
3	GPS		Core Area	5	1.00	
4	Binocular		Core Area	5	2.00	
5	Procurement of field gear for 80 employees		Core Area	80	8.00	
6	Construction of Shade for 3 Elephants		Core Area	3	9.00	Kudrasiya Bariar Compt. No. 121, 81051'18"E, 22021'12"N
7	Construction of PIP		Core Area	200	4.00	
9	Employment of ex-Army man		Core Area	15	16.00	
10	Awards for exemplary works to sub-ordinate staff		Core Area	L.S.	0.25	
11	Procurement of Camera Traps		Core Area	20	3.00	
13	Reward to informers		ATR	L.S.	0.25	
III	Strengthening of infrastructure	4.2				
a.	Construction of Patrolling Camp		Core Area	2	4.00	Bhairosang-Ranjki Road (Kirkota) Compt. No. 289 81043'20"E, 22035'10"N Jalda-Sarasdol Road (Jalda) Compt. No. 152 81046'58"E, 22022'55"N Katami-Diyabar Road (Katami) Compt. No. 239 81045'40"E, 22028'25"N Tilaidabara-Sambhardhasan Road (Tilaidabara) Compt. No. 365, 81047'42"E, 22030'0"N
b.	Construction of Check Post		Core Area	2	2.00	Achanakmar-Sarasdol Road (Achanakmar) Compt. No. 188

						81051'45"E, 22024'42"N Achanakmar-Bankal Road (Achanakmar Durga Mandir) Compt. No.188, 81051'50"E, 22024'35"N Chhapparwa Compt. No. 198 81046'22"E, 22026'50"N Lamani-Kuba Road (Lamani) Compt. No. 324 81045'0"E, 22032'20"N Lamani-Birarpani Road (Lamani) Compt. No. 311 81045'40"E, 22032'45"N
IV	Preparation of Management plan with field exercise		ATR	L.S.	1.00	
V	Project Allowance- (Director, Dy. Director, Asst. Director, Range Officer, A.R.O., F.G., & equivalent rank, 10 Official Staff)	4.15	Core Area	-	18.00	
VII	Fostering Eco-Tourism -	4.17				
a.	Creation of 30 feet view lines on either side of the road.		Core Area	400 Km.	12.00	
Total (Non - Recurring) core area					117.00	
RECURRING Core Area						
I	Water Hole Development	4.3				
	Maintenance and deepening of water hole/Desiltation		Core Area	25	2.50	
II	Habitat Improvement	4.3				
a.	Habitat Manipulation :-					
i.	Eradication of weeds For improvement of grassland, pruning, cutting and stump dressing of fodders species.		Core Area	500 Ha.	5.00	
b.	Fire Protection :-					
	Maintenance of Fire Lines					
i.	External Fire Line - 40 feet		Core Area	600	6.00	
ii.	Internal Fire Line					
	20 Feet		Core Area	885	6.20	
	10 Feet		Core Area	1,550	7.75	
c.	Monsoon patrolling for 4 month		Core Area	79X3X 4X3800	36.02	
d.	Fire Protection- daily wages fire watcher engaged for 4 month in 79 beats and 11 patrolling camps.		Core Area	90X3X 4X3800	41.04	
e.	Artificial salt lick digging of soil & mixing of locally purchased salt		Core Area	L.S.	0.50	
III	Veterinary Care	4.6				
a.	Purchase of medicine & Vaccination of local animals (19 Forest villages)		Core Area	19	1.00	
IV	Educational tour, Training, Publicity.	4.7				

a.	Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other TR like Bandipur in Karnataka,		Core Area	-	1.00	
b.	Printinting publicity materials, Preparation of sign boards.		Core Area	-	0.50	
c.	Workshop, seminar & Wild Life Week.		Core Area	-	1.00	
V	Census & Monitoring	4.13				
	Census of wild animals & Monitoring of habitat and monitoring of trap camara		Core Area	-	2.00	
VI	Strengthening of infrastructure	4.2				
a.	Repairing of existing Forest Road 100 Km.		Core Area	100	20.00	
b.	Maintenance of existing stop dams and annie cuts		Core Area	15	1.50	
c.	Maintenance of Staff Quarter		Core Area	25	2.50	
d.	Maintenance of Patrolling Camp/ Check post		Core Area	25	2.50	
VII	Compensation	4.4				
a.	Cattle/Human Killed by wild animals		Core Area	-	1.00	
VII I	Legal Courts cases		Core Area	-	0.50	
X	Establishment and development of ATR	4.14				
a.	Employment of Local Force in 79 beats in a group of 3 person for 12 month		Core Area	79X2X12 X3800	72.04	
b.	Wages of casual workers (Semi-Skilled) - Chowkidar 20, Barrier Helper 10, Cook 8, Mahaut helper 3,		Core Area	41X12X 3800	18.69	
c.	Wages of casual workers (Skilled) - Wireless attendant 16, Driver 10, Mahaut 3, Office attendant 6,		Core Area	35X12X 4000	16.80	
d.	Wages of contingency staff (Fix pay)- Computer Operator 10		Core Area	10X2X 8000	1.60	
e.	Feed and upkeepment of camp elephant- 3 no. aviary animals i/c maintenance of aviary		Core Area	L.S.	3.00	
XII	Maintenance of Vehicles and P.O.L.		1 Scorpio, 2 Gypsi, 2 pickup, 26 motor cycles, 1 Ambulance, 3 canter	L.S.	15.00	
XIII	Office expenses					
b.	Maintenance of wireless sets		Core Area	L.S.	1.50	
c.	Maintenance of computer Office		AD and FD Office	L.S.	1.00	
XIV	Staff Welfare activities	4.16				
a.	Facilities for non-family posting Supply of Kerosene, medicine, field kit, mosquito net, torch etc.		Core Area	-	2.00	
	Total (Recurring) Core Area			-	270.14	
	Grand Total (NR+R)			-	387.14	

Buffer Zone

NON RECURRING Buffer Area		-				
II	Wildlife Management (Extension of Communication Network)	4.1				
1	Wireless Handset		ATR Buffer	5	1.50	
2	Construction of Residence cum watch tower		ATR Buffer	1	3.50	
4	Employment of ex-Army man		ATR Buffer	5	4.00	
5	Awards for exemplary works to sub-ordinate staff		ATR Buffer	L.S.	0.25	
6	Reward to informers		ATR Buffer	L.S.	0.25	
IV	Project Allowance- (Dy. Director, Asst. Director, Range Officer, A.R.O., F.G. & equivalent rank, 10 Official Staff)	4.15	ATR Buffer	-	1.00	
V	Staff Welfare activities	4.16				
	Facilities for non-family posting Kerosene, medicine, field kit, mosquito net, torch etc.		ATR Buffer	-	0.50	
Total (Non - Recurring) Buffer Area					11.00	
RECURRING Buffer Area		-				
I	Habitat Improvement	4.3				
(a)	Habitat Manipulation :-					
	Eradication of weeds For improvement of grassland, pruning, cutting and stump dressing of fodders species.		ATR Buffer	50	7.50	
(b)	Fire Protection :-					
	Maintenance of Fire Lines					
	i. External Fire Line - 40 feet		ATR Buffer	200	1.60	
	ii. Internal Fire Line					
	20 Feet		ATR Buffer	300	1.50	
	10 Feet		ATR Buffer	400	1.60	
II	Veterinary Care	4.6				
	Purchase of medicine & Vaccination of local animals		ATR Buffer	5 villages	0.50	
III	Up-gradation of Roads and Construction of Culverts					
a.	Repairing of existing Forest Road 50 Km.		ATR Buffer	50 Km	20.00	
IV	Compensation	4.4				
	Cattle/Human Killed by wild animals		ATR Buffer	-	1.00	
V	Staff Development & Capacity Building					

	Training in management planning, Study tours, Specialized training in anti poaching operation & wild life forensics.	4.8	ATR Buffer	-	1.00	
VI	Establishment and development of ATR	4.14				
a.	Employment of Local Force in 10 beats& Patrolling camp in a group of 3 person for 12 month		ATR Buffer	10X3X12 X 3800	13.68	
b.	Wages of casual workers (Semi-Skilled) - Chowkidar 05, Barrier Helper 05		ATR Buffer	10X12 X 3800	4.56	
c.	Wages of casual workers (Skilled) - Wireless attendant 03, Driver 02, Office attendant 2		ATR Buffer	7X12X 4000	3.36	
III	Up-gradation of Roads and Construction of Culverts	4.2				
	Infrastructure Development-					
a	Check Post		ATR Buffer	1	2.00	
	Total (Recurring) Buffer Area				58.30	
	Grand Total of Buffer Area				69.30	

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Items	Sanction			Central Assistance
		Core	Buffer	Total	
1	Non – Recurring	117.00	11.00	128.00	128.00
2	Recurring	270.14	58.30	328.44	164.22
	Total	387.14	69.30	456.44	292.22

- (i) Total Sanction : Rs. 456.44 Lakhs
(ii) Central Assistance : Rs. 292.22 Lakhs
(iii) Ist Release : Rs. 233.776 Lakhs
(iv) Adjustment of previous balance of 2010-11 : Rs. Nil
(v) Net Release : Rs. 233.776 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**