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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 Biligiri Ranganath Temple Tiger Reserve, Karnataka 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 Biligiri Ranganath Temple Tiger Reserve, Karnataka at the cost of **Rs. 198.596 Lakhs (Rupees One hundred Ninety Eight lakhs Fifty Nine thousand Six hundred only)** as per details given in the annexure, giving details of GPS locations of proposed items. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 100.991 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. 118.48 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Eighteen lakhs Forty Eight thousand only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Karnataka 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 **Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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 **Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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 **Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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) Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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 2011-12 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Karnataka** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiv) Government of Karnataka in respect of **Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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 Biligiri Ranganath Temple Tiger Reserve strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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. 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. 169/AS & FA dated 20.09.2011.

Yours faithfully,

(S.P. Yadav)
Deputy Inspector General (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 2011-12 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry 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, Biligiri Ranganath Temple 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. Guard file/Spare copies.

(S.P. Yadav)
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ANNEXURE**APO FOR THE YEAR 2011-12 OF BILIGIRI RANGANATH TEMPLE TIGER RESERVE,
KARNATAKA**

(Rs. In Lakhs)

| Sl. No. | Item | Para No. of CSS- PT Guidelines | Location | Physical Target | Amount | GPS location |
|----------|---|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------|--------|--|
| | NON-RECURRING WORKS | | | | | |
| A | Addressing man animal conflict | | | | | |
| 1 | Formation of service roads all along the newly erected solar fence | | | 20 km | 5.000 | N-11 ⁰ 56'01.8" E-77 ⁰ 05'33.7" N-11 ⁰ 85'70.6" E-77 ⁰ 33'85.00" N-12 ⁰ 03'20.8" E-77 ⁰ 06'22.0" N-12 ⁰ 07'02.12" E-77 ⁰ 09'01.01" |
| 2 | Formation of New Elephant Proof Trenches along the forest boundary | | | 8 km | 17.600 | N-11 ⁰ 54'27.2" E-77 ⁰ 05'11.2" N-11 ⁰ 50'06.0" E-77 ⁰ 03'02.4" N-11 ⁰ 48'24.2" E-77 ⁰ 04'05.9" N-11 ⁰ 48'49.3" E-77 ⁰ 03'21.0" N-12 ⁰ 03'29.2" E-77 ⁰ 06'58.5" N-12 ⁰ 03'14.1" E-77 ⁰ 07'02.5" N-12 ⁰ 04'30.00" E-77 ⁰ 13'40.39" N-12 ⁰ 04'14.24" E-77 ⁰ 13'26.37" N-12 ⁰ 05'09.79" E-77 ⁰ 12'22.90" N-12 ⁰ 05'10.67" E-77 ⁰ 12'42.91" |
| 3 | Formation of Concrete Barriers to the Streams all along Elephant Proof Trenches | | | 10 nos. | 10.000 | N-11 ⁰ 54'35.6" E-77 ⁰ 04'44.5" N-11 ⁰ 51'52.1" E-77 ⁰ 02'55.5" N-11 ⁰ 51'08.4" E-77 ⁰ 02'03.7" N-12 ⁰ 04'48.4" E-77 ⁰ 05'38.9" N-12 ⁰ 01'51.7" E-77 ⁰ 05'40.4" N-12 ⁰ 01'53.7" E-77 ⁰ 05'40.1" N-12 ⁰ 02'1.4" E-77 ⁰ 05'48.6" N-11 ⁰ 58'33.5" E-77 ⁰ 14'51.3" |

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| | | | | | | N-12°00'09.3" E-77°14'37.6" N-12°01'04.6" E-77°14'32.0" |
| 4 | Erection of solar power fence | 4.4 | | 10 km | 19.700 | N-11°85'70.6" E-77°03'38.5" N-12°03'20.8" E-77°06'22.0" N-12°05'11.0" E-77°05'63.6" N-12°07'06.18" E-77°08'57.47" N-12°06'07.56" E-77°09'15.37" |
| 5 | Vaccination programme (immunization of local cattle's) | 4.5 | | 10000 cattle's | 1.250 | |
| 6 | Crop compensation | 4.4 | | Lumpsum | 2.890 | |
| 7 | Life compensation | 4.4 | | | | |
| 8 | Health camps | 4.5 | | 5 camp | 0.750 | |
| b | Eco development Activities | | | | | |
| 1 | Distribution of Smokeless Chullah to Fringe farmers & EDC members | | | 211 unit | 3.165 | |
| 2 | Distribution of Solar Laterns to Fringe farmers & EDC members | | | 140 units | 7.000 | |
| c | Publicity, nature awareness programmes | | | | | |
| 1 | Conducting nature camps to Fringe farmers, College and school Students | 4.17 | | 5 camps | 1.000 | |
| 2 | Production of publicity materials like brochures, pamphlets, periodicals and books during BR Hills Festival | 4.17 | | LS | 1.000 | |
| 3 | Celebration of Wildlife Week | 4.17 | | LS | 1.000 | |
| d. | Provision of project allowance | | | | | |
| 1 | Project allowance field and ministerial staff | | | | | |
| | FIELD STAFF | | | | | |
| A | Deputy Conservator of Forests | | | 1 No. | 0.180 | |
| B | Asst. Conservator of Forests | | | 2 Nos. | 0.312 | |
| C | Range Forests Officer | | | 6 No. | 0.720 | |
| D | Foresters | | | 18 No. | 1.944 | |
| E | Forest Guard | | | 63 No. | 5.292 | |
| F | Forest Watcher | | | 25 No. | 2.100 | |
| G | Driver | | | 4 No. | 0.336 | |
| H | Caretaker | | | 3 No. | 0.252 | |
| I | Elephant Mahouths | | | 4 No. | 0.336 | |
| J | Elephant Kavadi | | | 4 No. | 0.336 | |
| K | Supernumerary Watchers | | | 99 No. | 8.316 | |
| L | Water cooli | | | 4 No. | 0.336 | |
| M | Lorry cleaner | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |

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| | MINISTERIAL STAFF | | | | | |
| N | Manager | | | 1 no. | 0.120 | |
| O | Superintendent | | | 1 no. | 0.084 | |
| P | First Division Assistant | | | 5 nos. | 0.420 | |
| Q | Second Division Assistant | | | 4 no. | 0.336 | |
| R | Typist | | | 1 no. | 0.084 | |
| S | Draftman | | | 1 no. | 0.084 | |
| T | Surveyor | | | 2 no. | 0.168 | |
| U | Attender | | | 1 no. | 0.084 | |
| V | Peons | | | 6 nos. | 0.288 | |
| W | Sweeper | | | 1 no. | 0.048 | |
| | CF OFFICE | | | | | |
| I | Conservator of Forests/ Chief Conservator of Forests | | | 1 No. | 0.240 | |
| II | Asst. Conservator of Forests & TA | | | 1 No. | 0.156 | |
| III | Manager | | | 1 No. | 0.120 | |
| IV | Superintendent | | | 2 No. | 0.168 | |
| V | Steno | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| VI | First Division Assistant | | | 2 No. | 0.168 | |
| VII | Second Division Assistant | | | 3 No. | 0.252 | |
| VIII | Jamadar | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| IX | Driver | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| X | Typist | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| XI | Draftman | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| XII | Statistical Inspector | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| XIII | Water Cooli | | | 1 No. | 0.084 | |
| XIV | Peon | | | 1 No. | 0.048 | |
| e | Special protection strategies | | | | | |
| 1 | Purchase of Global Position System (GPS) to the existing AP Camps | | | 15 nos. | 2.250 | |
| f | Research and monitoring | | | | | |
| 1 | Preparation of Tiger Conservation Plan | | LS | | 1.000 | |
| | TOTAL (NON-RECURRING) | | | | 97.605 | |
| | RECURRING | | | | | |
| A | Staff development and capacity building | | | | | |
| 1 | Engaging daily wages labourers as drivers 4 nos. wireless operator 2 nos. and computer operator 4 nos., Literate Asst./Gudes 3 Nos., Watchers 6 nos., Elephant Kavadi 1 no. etc. | 4.8 | | 20 nos. | 11.259 | |
| b | Anti-poaching activities and anti smuggling activities | | | | | |
| 1 | Maintenance of existing anti-poaching camps (payment of | 4.1 | | 72 nos. | 37.728 | |

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| | wages) existing anti-poaching camps 18 nos. (4 lab. X Rs. 163.95 x 365 days) | | | | | |
| 2 | Improvement to the existing AP camps(repairs and light facilities) etc. | 4.1 | | 17 nos. | 1.700 | |
| 3 | Construction of anti-poaching camps shed | | | 1 no. | 1.500 | |
| c | Repair and maintenance of protection roads | | | | | |
| 1 | Annual Maintenance of existing roads | 4.2.1 | | 100 kms | 12.000 | |
| d | Maintenance of fire line/fire breaks | | | | | |
| 1 | Maintenance of existing fire lines | 4.2.2 | | 200 kms | 3.700 | |
| 2 | Engaging fire Watchers from Jan. 2012 to March 2012=90 days | 4.2.2 | | 1800 M. days | 2.584 | |
| e | Maintenance of earthen ponds and soil conservation measures | | | | | |
| 1 | Deeping and de-silting of existing water holes | 4.2.3 | | 5 nos. | 3.000 | |
| f | Maintenance of vehicles | | | | | |
| 1 | Maintenance and repairs of existing protection and tourism vehicles (1) Safari jeep (2) Protection jeeps (3) Protection vehicles of officers (4) Protection bikes | 4.2.5 | | 16 nos. | 10.000 | |
| 2 | Purchase of tyres and tubes to protection vehicles | | | LS | 0.520 | |
| 3 | Purchase of batteries to protection vehicles and anti-poaching camps | | | LS | 0.500 | |
| 4 | Maintenance of existing wireless network (repairs and purchase of batteries etc.) | 4.2 | | LS | 0.500 | |
| g | Man-animal conflict | | | | | |
| 1 | Repair and restructuring of existing elephant proof trenches by providing structural elephant barriers | 4.4 | | 1000 M3 | 2.500 | |
| h | Specials protection strategies | | | | | |
| 1 | Mansoon patrolling-90 days | 4.1 | | 5 ranges | 10.000 | |
| 2 | Vehicular patrolling squads- 90 days | | | 5 ranges | 2.000 | |
| 3 | Rewards to informants | 4.8 | | LS | 0.5000 | |
| 4 | Improvement to computer network systems | 4.2.5 | | LS | 1.000 | |
| | TOTAL (RECURRING | | | | 100.991 | |
| | GRAND TOTAL (NON-RECURRING + RECURRING) | | | | 198.596 | |

(Rs. in lakhs)

| S. No. | Items | Sanction | Central Assistance |
|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | Non – Recurring | 97.605 | 97.605 |
| 2 | Recurring | 100.991 | 50.495 |
| | Total | 198.596 | 148.10 |

- (i) Total Sanction : Rs. 198.596 Lakhs
(ii) Central Assistance : Rs. 148.10 Lakhs
(iii) Ist Release : Rs. 118.48 Lakhs
(iv) Net Release : Rs. 118.48 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**