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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 Parambikulam Tiger Reserve, Kerala 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 Parambikulam Tiger Reserve, Kerala at the cost of **Rs. 285.20 Lakhs (Rupees Two hundred Eighty Five lakhs Twenty 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. 225.50 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and the **Government of Kerala**. 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. 133.71 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Thirty Three lakhs Seventy One thousand only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Kerala 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 **Parambikulam 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 Kerala** 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 **Parambikulam 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 Kerala in respect of **Parambikulam 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) Parambikulam 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 Kerala** 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 Kerala** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiv) Government of Kerala in respect of **Parambikulam 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 Parambikulam Tiger Reserve strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Parambikulam Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Kerala**.
- (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 Kerala 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 Kerala 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. 155/AS & FA dated 2.8.2011.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Kerala. 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 Kerala.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Kerala.
4. The Field Director, Parambikulam Tiger Reserve, Kerala.
5. The Accountant General, Kerala.
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.

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ANNEXURE**APO FOR THE YEAR 2011-12 OF PARAMBIKULAM TIGER RESERVE, KERALA****(Rs. In Lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Item	Para No. of CSS- PT Guidelines	Location	Physical Target	Amount	GPS location
A	NON-RECURRING					
	Spill over works					
1.	Completion of type II Quarters		PKM TR	1	4.25	Anappady (N. 10°44'94"/ E-76°81'25")
4.1	Antipoaching activities					
1	Construction of antipoaching campsheds	4.1	PKM TR	1	5.00	Pooppara (N. 10°35'64"/ E-76°81'48") Padagiri (N. 10°43'02"/ E-76°58'89")
2.	Purchase of camping gears including knapsacks, sleeping bags, water bottle, torches, search lights, tents etc.	4.1	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
4.2	Strengthening of infrastructure within TR					
1	Procurement of camera tarps	4.2	PKM TR	20 Nos.	5.00	
2	Purchase of wireless sets / walkie talkies/ batteries	4.2	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
3	Procurement of solar panels with batteries and chargers for the interior campsheds	4.2	PKM TR	5 Nos.	2.00	
4	Providing dining facility to the dormitory for conducting Nature education camp	4.2	Anapady	5	4.00	
4.4	Addressing man-animal conflict					
1	Stabilization of EPT by vegetative measures	4.4	Anapady	LS	1.00	Anappady (N. 10°44'94"/ E-76°81'25")
2	Construction of EPT	4.4	Anapady	LS	2.00	Padagiri (N. 10°43'02"/ E-76°58'89")
3	Compound wall around campsheds	4.4	PKM TR	LS	5.00	
4.5	Ecodevelopment					
1	Training and to the local EDCs for self employment unit like Handicraft unit, pickle unit, vermicomposting unit etc.	4.5	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
2	Training / capacity building to the guides / naturalists	4.5	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
3	Uniform to the guides / naturalists etc.	4.5	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
4.7	Research and field equipments					
2	Purchase of range finder / GPS for monitoring tigers and wildlife	4.7	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
3	Purchase of scat sample collection kit	4.7	PKM TR	LS	0.50	
4	Equipping the monitoring teams and staffs with facilities like binoculars, night vision binoculars, range finder torches, sleeping bags etc.	4.7	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
5	Conducting nature education	4.5	PKM TR	12 camps	1.20	

	camps					
6	Procuring education material / publicity materials, signage, display boards and publication of folders and posters, brochures, newsletter etc.	4.5	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
7	Celebration of wildlife week 2011	4.5	PKM TR	LS	0.75	
8	Conducting wildlife census	4.7	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
4.8	Capacity Building					
1	Conducting workshops/seminars etc.	4.8	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
2	Training to the field staff in wildlife management, legal follow up of offences, GIS and visit to other PAs etc. including for staff of Field Directors office	4.8	PKM TR	LS	1.00	
4.15	Provision for the project allowance to the staff					
1	Provision for the project allowance to staff of Parambikulam TR and Field Directors Office including arrear payment	4.15	PKM TR	LS	12.00	
4.17	Fostering ecotourism in Tiger Reserves					
2	Improvement of accommodation facilities in Parambikulam dormitory for conducting nature camps	4.17	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
	TOTAL (Non-Recurring)				59.70	
B	RECURRING					
	New works					
4.1	Antipoaching activities					
1	Engaging antipoaching watchers	4.1	PKM TR	12500 mm	30.00	
3	Monsoon patrolling-including field kit to antipoaching watchers	4.1	PKM TR	LS	20.00	
5	Maintenance of antipoaching camp sheds	4.1	PKM TR	30 Nos.	20.00	
6	Uniform to the protection mazdoors	4.1	PKM TR	200 mm	2.00	
4.2	Strengthening of infrastructure within TRs					
1	Maintenance and improvement of staff quarters and other buildings including FD's office	4.2	PKM TR	25 nos. (0.5/E)	12.50	
3	Maintenance and repairs of wireless sets and walkies talkies including payment to the wireless attenders	4.2	PKM TR	20 nos	4.00	
4	Maintenance and improvement of inspection bungalow, dormitory, tree top hut and wages to the attenders	4.2	PKM TR	LS	6.00	
5	Repair and maintenance of vehicles including wages to	4.2	PKM TR	7 Nos.	12.00	

	drivers					
6	Maintenance of departmental boats including wages to boatman driver	4.2	PKM TR	2 Nos.	2.00	
7	Preparation of TCP and engaging Assistant for data compilation in FD's office	4.2	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
8	Engaging field protection watchers for tiger monitoring	4.2	PKM TR	2000 mm	5.50	
9	Maintenance of roads	4.2	PKM TR	125 km	20.00	
10	Maintenance of trekpaths	4.2	PKM TR	142 km	20.00	
11	Procurement of desktop computer for FD and DD office	4.2	PKM TR	2	1.00	
12	Procurement of one photocopier, fax machine for DD office	4.2	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
13	Maintenance of computers and peripherals, GPS, photocopiers, fax machine, LCD projectors, consumables, stationeries and other office expenses fro DD and FD offices	4.2	PKM TR	LS	5.00	
14	Treatment of sick, injured animals and postmortem	4.2	PKM TR	LS	2.00	
4.3	Habitat improvement and water development					
1	Desilting of waterholes	4.3	PKM TR	20	10.00	
3	Habitat improvement – maintenance of Vayals	4.3	PKM TR	266 ha.	12.00	
4	Habitat improvement – removal of alien and obnoxious weeds	4.3	PKM TR	100 ha.	4.00	
6	Engaging fire protection watchers	4.3	PKM TR	4511 mm	20.00	
7	Vista clearance	4.3	PKM TR	240 ha.	12.00	
8	Planting of fruit bearing trees, fodder and fuel wood trees	4.3	PKM TR	10 ha.	1.50	
	TOTAL (Recurring)				225.50	
	GRAND TOTAL (NR + R)				285.20	

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Non-Recurring	59.70	59.70
2.	Recurring	225.50	112.75
	Total	285.20	172.45

- (i) Total Sanction - Rs. 285.20 Lakhs
(ii) Central Assistance - Rs. 172.45 Lakhs
(iii) 1st Release - Rs. 137.96 Lakhs
(iv) Adjustment of un-utilized amount of 2010-11 - Rs. 4.25 Lakhs
(v) Net Release - Rs. 133.71 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**