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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 Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar 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 Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar at the cost of **Rs. 359.63 Lakhs (Rupees Three hundred Fifty Nine lakhs Sixty Three 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. 177.58 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and the **Government of Bihar**. 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. 172.193 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Seventy Two lakhs Nineteen thousand Three hundred only)** as the 1<sup>st</sup> installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Bihar 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 **Valmiki 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 Bihar** 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 **Valmiki 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 Bihar in respect of **Valmiki 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) Valmiki 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 Bihar** 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 Bihar** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiv) Government of Bihar in respect of **Valmiki 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 Valmiki Tiger Reserve strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Valmiki Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Bihar**.
- (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 Bihar 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 Bihar 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. 173/AS & FA dated 21.9.2011.

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Bihar. 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 Bihar.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Bihar.
4. The Field Director, Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar.
5. The Accountant General, Bihar.
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 VALMIKI TIGER RESERVE, BIHAR**

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item	Para No. of CSS- PT Guidelines	Location	Physical Target	Amount	GPS location	
<b>NON RECURRING</b>							
<b>Anti-poaching activity:</b>							
1	Establishment of patrolling camps / anti poaching camps with accessories 10 units @ 2 lakhs Rs.	4.1	Gobardhana, Someshwar & Manguraha, Manpur, Thori (G.P.S. Location Annexue-I)	5	10.00	20.00	N-27°19'48.9" E-84°20'4.2" N-27°15'46.8" E-84°38'14.9" N-27°18'36.4" E-84°34'56.4" N-27°19'01.1" E-84°33'24.1" N-27°19'51.7" E-84°20'18.5" N-27°11'54"
			Madanpur, Valmikinagar-Ganauli, Harnatand and Chiutaha Range (G.P.S. Location Annexure-I)	5	10.00	E-83°59'20" N-27°20'08.00" E-83°52'05.03" N-27°26'489" E-83°56'995" N-27°25'991" E-84°01'540" N-27°15'544" E-84°6'655"	
2	Engagement of Rented vehicles with fuel for regular with fuel of regular patrolling	4.1	Div-I	Patrolling	1.38	2.76	
			Div-II	Patrolling	1.38		
<b>Establishing wireless network 4.1 &amp; 1.2</b>							
3	(i) Construction of wireless stations with accessories @ Rs. 3 lakhs	4.1 and 4.2	Sirisa, Manpur, Bankatwa (G.P.S. Location Annexure-3)	3	9.00	21.00	N-27°17'485" E-84°24'278" N-27°19'48.0" E-84°36'47.1" N-27°22'20.8" E-84°11'14.6" N-27°26'01.15" E-83°54'58.28" N-27°21'0.44" E-83°54'579" N-27°21'250.0" E-84°01'124" N-27°17'232.0" E-84°05'612"
			Vamikinagar. Bherihari, Hamatand, Kunai (G.P.S. Location Annexure-3)	4	12.00		
	(ii) Purchase of new wireless handsets with accessories @ 30000/-	4.1 and 4.2	Div-I	10	3.00	6.00	
			Div-II	10	3.00		
(iii) Purchase of wireless sets to vehicle 9 sets with accessories @ 40000/-	4.1 and 4.2	Div-I	3	1.20	3.60		
			Div-II	6	2.40		
<b>Deployment of ex-army Personnel / home guards 4.1</b>							
4	(i) Ex-army personnel One person @ 9000 Rs. – and Rs. 1000/- per person per month as ration For one person	4.1	Div-I	15 Persons	18.00	42.00	
			Div-II	20 Persons	24.00		
	(ii) Home guards = 6150 Rs. X 10 persons x 12 months = 7,38,000/-	4.1	Div-I		0.00	7.38	
Div-II			10 Persons	7.38			
5	Rewards to informers / intelligence gathering	4.1	Div-I	Information	0.50	0.50	
			Div-II	Information	0.50		
<b>Procurements of field gear, night vision devices 4.1</b>							
6	(i) Procurement of Field outfits to Ex-military man and Valmiki Tiger Protection Force persons @ 5000/- Rs.	4.1	Div-I	Field Output	0.75	1.75	
			Div-II	Field Output	1.00		
	(ii) Purchase of night vision binoculars @ Rs. one lakh	4.1	Div-II	1	1.00	2.00	
			Div-II	1	1.00		
<b>Strengthening of infrastructure within Tiger Reserve 4.2</b>							
8	Construction of new unmanned barriers	4.2	Div-I	8	0.96	0.96	

	across the forest roads to stop entry of unauthorized vehicles at 8 places @ Rs. 12000/-		Div-II	0	0.00		
<b>Waterholes, Salt licks – monitoring, maintenance, renovation / creation:</b>							
9	(i) Creation of new water holes @ 25000/-	4.3	Div-I (G.P.S. Location Annexure-2)	5	1.25	2.50	
			Div-II (G.P.S. Location Annexure-2)	10	1.25		
	(ii) Salt licks management	4.3	Div-I	All over the reserve	0.25	0.50	
			Div-II	All over the reserve	0.25		
<b>Addressing man-animal conflict</b>							
11	Payment of compensation for loss and injuries of Human beings and livestock , damage to crop and all other properties in the fringe villages	4.4 and 4.10	Div- I	Compensation	0.75	1.75	
			Div-II	Compensation	1.00		
12	Procurement of traps/cages to catch problematic animals with nylon nets and accessories	4.4 and 4.10	Div-I	1	1.00	2.00	
			Div-II	1	1.00		
13	Installation of deep freezer with power backup and other related accessories @ 4.35 lakh Rs.	4.4	Div-I	1	0.00	4.35	
			Div-II	1	4.35		
<b>Co-existence agenda in buffer / fringe areas:</b>							
14	Supply of solar street lighting facilities to villages deprived of electricity connections adjacent to the tiger reserve area one unit @ 60000/- Rs.	4.5	Div-I	3	1.20	2.40	
			Div-II	2	1.20		
15	Supplying locally made improved chulahs to the local villagers living adjacent to the tiger reserve area. One unit @ 1000/- Rs.	4.5	Div-I	50	0.50	1.00	
			Div-II	50	0.50		
16	Phase IV Tiger Monitoring	4.5	Div-I		1.00	2.00	
			Div-II		1.00		
<b>Research and field equipment:</b>							
18	Range finder, compass and related accessories	4.7	Div-1			1.00	
			Div-2	Materials	1.00		
19	Camera traps with accessories one unit @ 10000/- Rs.	4.7	Div-1	20	2.40	4.80	
			Div-2	20	2.40		
20	Transect line clearance & maintenance: 37 transect l lines; 1 transect of 4 km. length per sub-beat in 65 sub-beats @ Rs. 6000/- per transect line for 50 mandays + material.	4.3, 4.7 and 4.10	Div-1	28 Transect line	1.68	3.90	
			Div-2	28 Transect line	2.22	3.90	
<b>Staff development and capaciting building 4.8</b>							
21	Providing special incentives: Special incentives to frontline staff / local communities/others based on outstanding work	4.8	Div-1	Wildlife Conservation	0.50	1.00	
			Div-2	Wildlife Conservation	0.50		
<b>Safeguards / Retrofitting measures in the interest of wildlife conservation</b>							
22	Land protection against encroachments: Construction of permanent RCC Boundary Posts one unit 3000/- Rs.	4.11	Div-I				
			Div-I	100	3.00	3.00	
<b>Provision of Project Allowance to staff: 4.15</b>							
23	Providing project allowance to staff of all categories including ministerial staff (including arrears of 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11)	4.15	Div-I	All Staff	9.23	26.65	
			Div-II	All Staff	13.12		
			F.D.	All Staff	4.30		
<b>Staff welfare activities: 4.16</b>							
Solar lighting and charging facilities for field stations / staff quarters: 4.16							
24	Solar lanterns with accessories one unit @ 6000/- Rs.	4.16	Div-I	10	0.60	1.80	
			Div-II	20	1.20		
25	Providing Field kit to the frontline staff @	4.16	Div-I	150	5.25	11.55	

	3500/- Rs.		Div-II	180	6.30		
	<b>TOTAL (Non-Recurring)</b>					<b>182.05</b>	
<b>RECURRING</b>							
<b>Anti-poaching activities</b>							
Maintenance of existing patrolling camps / chowkis / check nakas/ barriers 4.1							
1	(i) Maintenance of Anti-poaching camp – one unit @ 50000/- Rs. to provide solar panel and battery for power backup etc.	4.1	Raghia and Gobardhana	2	1.00	2.00	
			Harnatand and Chiutaha	2	1.00		
2	(ii) Check nakas/ barrier – one unit @ 12000/- Rs.	4.1	Sonkhar and Jamunia	2	0.24	2.64	
			Chiwtaha-3, Harnatand-2, Ganauli-3, Mandapur-5, Valmiki Nagar-7	2	2.40		
3	Deployment of camp labourers/ local work force for patrolling: 4mazdoors per Range for 15 days per month for supporting the regular patrolling the regular patrolling staff, camp arrangement, animal rescue, maintenance of permanent Anti-poaching camp, other need based other	4.1	Div-I	4 Mazdoors Per range = 3 range	2.70	7.20	
			Div-II	4 Mazdoors per range = 5 range	4.5		
<b>Establishing wireless network 4.1 &amp; 4.2</b>							
4	Special patrolling operations during monsoon period / Festivals / New Year / Other special occasions.	4.1	Div-I	Patrolling	9.84	21.84	
			Div-II	Patrolling	12.00		
<b>Maintenance of elephant squads 4.1</b>							
5	(i) Feed and other materials for elephant-one elephant @ Rs. 7500/- Per Month.	4.1	Manguraha	One elephant	0.90	1.80	
			Madanpur	One elephant	0.90		
	(ii) Medicines & Medical checkup for elephant	4.1	Manguraha	One elephant	0.10	0.20	
			Madanpur	One elephant	0.10		
	(iii) Maintenance of elephant shed including Mahawat shed and other material	4.1	Manguraha	One elephant	0.50	1.00	
			Madanpur	One elephant	0.50		
	(iv) Wages for Mahawat and one assistant @ 9000/- PM 9000 Rs. x 12 months = 108000/- Rs.	4.1	Manguraha	2 Persons	1.08	2.16	
			Madanpur	2 Persons	1.08		
<b>Maintenance of wireless network 4.1 &amp; 4.2</b>							
6	(i) Engagement of wireless operators: 11 fixed stations @ 6000/- Rs. 11 Wireless operations x 6000 Rs. x 12 months = 7.92 lakhs	4.1	Manguaraha, Bettiah, Raghia, Gobardhana, Bankatwa	5 statinos	3.60	7.92	
			Madanpur, Harnatand, Chiutaha, Naurangia	6 statinos	4.32		
	(ii) Maintenance of wireless communication network including handsets	4.1 & 4.2	Bankatwa, Dumari, Gobardhana, Sirsia, Manguraha, thori, Manpur, Bettiah	Div-I	1.00	2.00	
			Madanpur, Kotraha, Ganauli, Harnatand, Naurangia done and Chiutaha	Div-II	1.00		
7	(i) Engagement of wildlife trackers for 12 months @ Rs. 4000 P.M. 135 trackers x 4000 Rs. x 12 months = 5520000/- Rs.	4.1	Div-I	40 Trackers	19.20	43.20	
			Div-II	50 Trackers	24.00		
<b>Strengthening of infrastructure within the Tiger Reserve: 4.2</b>							
8	Maintenance of fire watch tower	4.2	Raghia	1	0.70	2.80	
			Ganauli, Harnatand and Valmiki Nagar	3	2.10		
<b>Maintenance of fire line/fire breaks 4.2</b>							
9	(i) Preventive measure – fireline cutting-clearing, and control burning: (A) 492 km long fireline with 9m wide @	4.2	Div-I	237km	8.89	18.45	

	30 mandays per km. 492 km x 30 mandays x 125 Rs. 102500/-		Div-II	255km	9.56		
	(B) 82 km fireline with 3m wide @ 10 mandays x 125 Rs. = 102500/-	4.2	Div-I				
			Div-II	82 km	1.03	1.03	
	(C) 155km fireline with 3m wide on both the sides of the forest roads (along the forest road) @ 10 mandays per km. 155km x both the sides x 10 mandays x 125 Rs. = 388750	4.2	Div-I			3.88	
	(ii) Control, intelligence, containment & suppression of fire by fire-watchers & fire fighting squads: This activity will involve deployment of fire watchers. For 95 watchers for 135 days of fire season are to be deployed on contract (@ 15000/- Rs. ) bas	4.2	Div-I	45 fire watchers	6.75	14.25	
			Div-II	50 fire watchers	7.50		
	(iii) Fire fighting materials	4.2	Div-I	Materials	0.75	1.75	
			Div-II	Materials	1.00		
10	Maintenance vehicles	4.2	Div-I	15 Vehicles	3.00	7.00	
			Div-II	15 Vehicles	3.00		
			F.D	1 Vehicles	1.00		
11	Maintenance of signages/ Signboards in peripheral, buffer & core boundary are. One sign board @ 1500/- Rs.	4.2	Div-I	20	0.30	1.05	
			Div-II	50	0.75		
12	Operation & maintenance of power backup	4.2	Div-I	Power backup	0.80	2.30	
			Div-II	Power backup	0.90		
			F.D	Power backup	0.60		
<b>Habitat improvement and water development 4.3</b>							
13	(i) Treatment of areas infested with Michania, Eupatorium and other weed species. Costing: @ 75 mandays/ha and materials i.e. Rs. 10000/- per hectare (Rs. 124/- per m/day)	4.3	Div-I	30 ha.	3.00	8.00	
			Div-II	50 ha.	5.00		
14	Treatment of areas infested with dwarf phoenix as a resultant of xerophytic conditions of the habitat: Control of the spread of dwarf Phoenix and other xerophytic species. Costing: @ 85 mandays/ha and material i.e. @ Rs. 11000/- per ha. (Rs. 125/- per manday)	4.3	Div-I	50 ha	5.50	5.50	
			Div-II				
	Development of grasslands by manipulation of vegetation in grassy patches subjected to close woodland growth: Costing: @ 65 mandays/ha and materials i.e. Rs. 9000/- per ha (Rs. 125/- per man/day). Operations: Area delineation, control burning of ground.	4.3	Div-I	50 ha	4.50	9.00	
			Div-II	50 ha	4.50		
<b>Waterholes – monitoring, maintenance, renovation/ creating: 4.3</b>							
15	Maintenance of old waterholes @ Rs. 7000/-	4.3	Div-I	13	0.91	2.66	
			Div-II	25	1.75		
16	Capacity building / training / workshop and seminars: Three workshops one each for frontline staff, Local communities / EDCs and SSB personnel. One seminar @ 30000/- Rs.	4.8	Div-I	2	0.50	1.00	
			Div-II	3	0.50		
<b>Procurement of Hardware, Software</b>							
17	(i) Construction of wireless stations with accessories @ Rs. 3 lakhs	4.2	Div-I	3	1.80	3.00	
			Valmiki Nagar and Chitutaha	2	1.20		
	(ii) Purchase of new wireless handsets with accessories @ 30000/-	4.2	Div-I	5	0.60	1.20	
			Div-II	5	0.60		
	(iii) Purchase of wireless sets to vehicle 9 sets with accessories @ 40000/-	4.2	Div-I	Awareness	0.50	0.75	
			Div-II	Awareness	0.25		
<b>Addressing man-animal conflict</b>							
18	Maintenance of Tranquilizer Gun, immobilization blow pipe with related accessories.	4.4 and 4.10	Div-I	Maintenance	0.50	1.00	
			Div-II	Maintenance	0.50		

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<b>Staff development and capacity building 4.8</b>							
19	Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other reserves one person @ 4000/- Rs.	4.8	Div-I	20 Persons	0.50	1.00	
			Div-II	20 Persons	0.50		
<b>TOTAL (Recurring)</b>						<b>177.58</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL (NR+R)</b>						<b>359.63</b>	

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1	Non – Recurring	182.05	182.05
2	Recurring	177.58	88.79
	<b>Total</b>	<b>359.63</b>	<b>270.84</b>

- (i) Total Sanction : Rs. 359.63 Lakhs  
(ii) Central Assistance : Rs. 270.84 Lakhs  
(iii) Ist Release : Rs. 216.672 Lakhs  
(iv) Adjustment of previous balance of 2010-11 : Rs. 44.4786 Lakhs  
(v) Net Release : Rs. 172.193 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**