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Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests
(Project Tiger)

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To,

The Senior Account Officer (HQ),
O/o Principal Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Environment & Forests,
Paryavaran Bhavan,
New Delhi

Sub: Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme "Project Tiger"- Administrative Approval for funds release to **Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra** during 2006 – 2007.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' during 2006-2007 in Pench Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra at the cost of **Rs. 134.186 lakhs** (Rupees one hundred thirty four lakhs eighteen thousand six hundred only) as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, **Rs. 64.92 lakhs** (Rupees Sixty four lakhs ninety two thousand only) being the recurring cost of scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the Government of India and the Government of Maharashtra. The remaining cost of **Rs. 69.266 lakhs** (Rupees Sixty nine lakhs twenty six thousand six hundred only) being the non-recurring cost of the scheme will be treated as 100% Central Assistance by the Government of India.

2. I am also directed to convey the permission of the competent authority to utilize the unspent balance available with State for the item of activities sanctioned as per APO for 2006-07. 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 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.

4. 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 Project Tiger 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.

5. 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 Maharashtra under intimation to this Department.

6. The expenditure involved is debitible to the Major Head '3601'-Grants in aid to State Governments. 3601.04-Grants 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 under demand No. 29 of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (Plan) for the year 2006-07.

7. This issues with the concurrence of the Forest Finance Division of the Ministry vide their Dy. No. 1457/Dir (IFD)/06 dated 20.9.2006 under the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments.

Yours faithfully,

(Ganga Singh)
Joint Director (PT)

Copy forwarded to:

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Maharashtra, Mumbai. A copy of the detailed sanctioned letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2006-2007 may kindly be furnished to this Department immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Government of Maharashtra.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/ Chief Wildlife Warden, Government of Maharashtra.
4. The Field Director, Pench Tiger Reserve, Nagpur.
5. The Accountant General, Maharashtra.
6. The Director of Audit, Scientific Deptt. AGCR Building, 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 Bhawan, New Delhi.
10. Dy. Director, Wildlife Preservation, Northern Region, New Delhi.
11. Guard file/Spare copies.

(Ganga Singh)
Joint Director (PT)

**Annual Plan of Operation
PENCH TIGER RESERVE****(Rs. in lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Item of works	Qty.	Location	Amount for 2006-07
A.	Non-recurring			
1.0.8	Motivation/ Incentive to staff I) Project Allowance		Nagpur/ East Pench/ West Pench	
	A. To officer/staff working under the Field Director, PTR			
	i. Field Director	1		0.12
	ii. ACF	1		0.078
	iii. RFO	3		0.18
	iv. Forester	8		0.432
	v. Forest Guard	50		2.10
	vi. Driver	3		0.126
	B. To Van Majdoor (Field Staff)	33	Nagpur/East Pench/West Pench	1.50
2.0.0	Building & Communication			
2.0.1	Spill over works of 2005-06			
	i. Construction of check nakas at Pivarthadi Comptt. No. 518, Narhar at entry point (Detailed estimated cost is Rs. 3.70 (-) actual expenditure incurred in 2005-06 Rs. 2.50)	2	East Pench West Pench	1.20
	ii. Labour shed double unit – 2 block in East Pench range in Sillari	2	East Pench	1.08
2.0.4	(vi) Eco protection huts at the following sites: Ghatkukda comptt. No. 661 Ghotimatha comptt. No. 690	2 Nos.	West Pench	3.00
4.0.0	Fire and Forest Protection			
4.0.1	I. Wireless communication network			
	a. Wireless communication network Royalty to Govt. of India	-	Nagpur/East Pench/ West Pench	1.20
	b. Solar units for camping sites for protection squads	8	East Pench / West Pench	2.00
11.0.1	Rehabilitation of Fulzari Village			
	Revalidation of unspent fund of 2004-05 for Rehabilitation of Fuzari village Rs. 1.00 lakhs for each family as per Central govt. norm	52 families	Fulzari village	52.00
	Total Non-recurring			63.516
B.	Recurring			
2.0.9	Maintenance and repairs of FRH/Visitor centers/ Inspection Hut/ Research Centre/ Camp sites along with maintenance of diesel engines, electrical pumps, pipelines, pump/engine house, O.H. Tank, Generator etc.		East Pench/ West Pench	
	i. FRH- Totladoh, Ghatpendhari, Kolitmara 3 suits	7 Nos.		1.80
	ii. Visitor Centre- Sillari, Ambakhori	2 Nos.		1.00
	iii. Research Centre – Ranidoh 3 suits	3 Nos		1.20
	iv. Inspection hut – Totladoh 2 suits	2 Nos.		0.60
	v. Camp sites – Sillari, Ambakhori – 2 nos.	2 Nos.		0.40
3.0.3	Maintenance of roads & bridges			
	a. Forest roads	230 kms	East Pench/ West Pench	12.40
	i. Metal road 18 km @ Rs. 10000/- km – 1.80			
	ii. Muram Road 212 km @ Rs. 5000/- km – 10.80			

4.0.2	Wireless network			
	Wages (Charges) of wireless operators at main sub stations (Base)	31 operator	East/ West Pench/ Nagpur	7.44
4.0.3	Maintenance and repairs of wireless communication sets, chargers, antennas, purchase of batteries and spers including painting of sets includes stand byes Base Stations (East & West Pench) – 14 Mobile – 8 Hand sets – 20 Masts - 8	50 Nos.	East/ West Pench/ Nagpur	3.00
4.0.4	A. Maintenance of fire lines			
	Cutting and burning of fire lines			
	I. Class ‘A’ (Outer boundary) : 13 mtr. width	93 kms.		2.23
	II. Class ‘B’ (Road Sides) : 4 mtr. width (both sides)	290 kms.		5.22
	III. Class ‘C’ (Comptt. Lines) : 3 mtr. width	41 kms.		0.45
4.0.5	Wages of fire watcher squad (from 16 th Feb. to 15 th June = 4 month)			
	Wages of fire squads (2 labours per fire squad) at 18 sites = 36 nos. @ Rs. 2000/- p.m. for 4 months	18 sites 36 nos.	East/ West Pench	3.00
4.0.6	Wages (Charges) of villagers in surrounding village engaged for extinguishing accidental fire spread in Pench Tiger Reserve. East Pench – 200 mandays West Pench – 200 mandays Total - 400 mandays @ C295 Rs. 75/- per mandays – 0.30	400 mandays	East Pench/ West Pench	0.30
4.0.7	Wages for Protection Squads (Patrolling) at different sites to keep round the clock vigil. East Pench – 9 squads x 3 labours = 27 West Pench – 7 squads x 3 labours = 21 16 squads X 3 labour – 48 @ Rs. 2000/- p.m. x 12 months – 11.52	16 squads 48 labour	East Pench/ West Pench	11.52
4.0.8	Wages for checking naka chawkidars East Pench – 10 naka – 19 chawkidars (Paoni-1, Sillari-2, Kirangisarra-1, Ghoti-1, Khapakursapar-1, Salama-1, Totladoh-1, Pivarthadi-1) West Pench – 5 naka- 7 chawkidars (Chatpendhri-1, Narhar-3, Kolutmara-1)	15 Nakas 26 Chawkidars	East Pench/ West Pench	6.24
4.0.9	Maintenance of watch tower/eco-protection firehuts Repairs, colour wash and maintenance			
	i. Watch towers East Pench – 7 nos., West Pench – 4 nos. Total = 11 nos. @ Rs. 5000/- per tower – 0.55	11 watch towers	East Pench/ West Pench	0.55
	ii. Fire huts – East Pench – 15 nos., West Pench – 10 Nos. Total = 25 nos. @ Rs. 4000/- per hut – 1.00	25 fire huts	East Pench / West Pench	1.00
4.0.10	Purchase of material for camping staff			
	Fire watcher squads, patrolling squads, antifishing squad, including for the staff camping in the forest List of Material:- Lantern, Torches & cells, Kerosene oil, buckets, mug, glass, water pots, water bottles, haversacbs, utensils and other daily materials = 16 squads @ Rs. 5000/- each – 0.80	16 squads	East Pench/ West Pench	0.80
4.0.11	Antipoaching / Fishing			
	A. Wages of antipoaching/ fishing squad at Totladoh reservoir and back water of lower Pench	4 squads 18 labours	East Pench/ West Pench	4.32
	i. Ground patrolling squad 2 nos. at Saddledam x 5 labour = 10 labour			

	ii. Patrolling by motor boats 2 squads x 4 labour = 8 labour total = 18 labours @ Rs. 2000/- p.m.			
	B. Special squads for antipoaching in sensitive area electrocution (Oct. 2006 to March, 2007) East/West Pench – 6 labour for 6 months @ Rs. 2000/- p.m.	3 squads 6 labour	East Pench / West Pench	0.75
5.0.0	Survey and Demarcation			
5.0.1	Boundary demarcation 1/5 th boundary demarcation (annual programme)	352 pillars	East Pench/ West Pench	0.70
	a. Repairs and maintenance of boundary pillars 1762 x 1/5 = 352 @ Rs. 200/- each – 0.70			
	b. Cutting, clearing and maintenance of outer boundary line = 198 km x 1/5 th = 18 km			
	Total Recurring			64.92
C.	Ecodevelopment			
9.0.1	Agricultural development activity			
	Soil moisture conservation works			
	c. Desilting of existing village tanks on the fringes of PA. East Pench a. Fulzari Talao b. Ghoti Bandhara c. Wagholi Talao West Pench a. Dhavlapur Talao b. Narhar Talao Total 5 nos. @ Rs. 50000/- each	5 nos.	Pipariya/Fulzari/Kirangisarra/ Ghoti/ Narhar/ Wagholi/ Dhavlapur/ Banera	2.50
10.0.2	Human health care camps for villagers / staff 5 camps @ Rs. 15000/- camp	5 camps	Sillari/Ghoti/ Khapa/ Kolutmara/ Ghatpendhari	0.75
10.0.4	Training to unemployed youth for self employment. 50 youth Rs. 2000/- each	50 nos.	Sillari	1.00
10.0.5	Vaccination to local cattle in adjoining villages	10000	East Pench/ West Pench	1.00
10.0.6	Energy conservation by distributing improved chullas with cookers to villagers under BPL	50 nos.		0.50
	Village	Chullahs	Coolers	
	Kolutmara	10	10	
	Narhar	5	5	
	Ghatpendhari	5	5	
	Pipariya	5	5	
	Sillari	5	5	
	Khapa	5	5	
	Wagholi	5	5	
	Kirangisarra	10	10	
	Total Ecodevelopment			5.75
	GRAND TOTAL (A+B+C)			134.186

Detail of Release during 2006-07

Sanction

'A'	Non-Recurring	Rs. 63.516 Lakhs
'B'	Recurring	Rs. 64.92 Lakhs
'C'	Ecodevelopment	Rs. 5.75Lakhs

Total Sanction **Rs. 134.186 lakhs**

Central Assistance

100% of A	Rs. 63.516 Lakhs
50% of B	Rs. 32.46 Lakhs
100% of C	Rs. 5.75 Lakhs

Total Central Assistance **Rs. 101.726 Lakhs**

Adjustment of Rs. 0.74 lakhs as excess expenditure during 2005-06.

Net Central Assistance during 2006-07 **Rs. 100.986 Lakhs**

* Eco-Development initiatives should be based on normative guidelines of the Project Tiger Directorate, MoEF, 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.