

F. No. 4(1)-14/2005-PT
Government of India
Ministry of Environment & Forests
(Project Tiger)

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To,
The Senior Accounts 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 fund release to **Periyar Tiger Reserve, Kerala**, during 2005-2006.

Sir,

Reference is invited to this Ministry's letter of even No. dated 1st September, 2005 on the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the scheme 'Project Tiger' during 2005-2006 in the **Periyar Tiger Reserve, Kerala** at the cost of **Rs 139.50 lakhs** (Rupees One hundred thirty nine Lakhs and fifty thousand only) as per details given in the Annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, **Rs. 87.00 lakhs** (Rupees eighty seven Lakhs only) 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 **Rs 52.50 lakhs** (Rupees Fifty two lakhs and fifty thousand only) being 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 approval of the competent authority to the release of an amount of **Rs. 75.00 lakhs** (Rupees Seventy five lakhs only) to Government of Kerala towards the 1st Installment of the Central Share of assistance during the current financial year 2005-2006. 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 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 item of expenditure as enumerated in the annexure shall be made without prior concurrence of the Govt. 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 shall be directed to ensure that the field works are in accordance with the management plan and the Annual plan of operation through the field inspections from time to time.

5. The expenditure involved is debited to the Major Head '3601'- Grant in aid to State Governments 3601.04- Grant for Centrally Sponsored plan Scheme. 3601.04.659— Environmental Forestry and Wildlife, Preservation 3601.04.659.03. Project tiger assistance to National Parks and Sanctuaries, 3601.04.659.03.00.31 Grant in aid under demand No.30 of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (Plan) for the year 2005-2006.

6. This issues with the concurrence of the Integrated Finance Division of the Department vide their Dy. No. 1971/DIF/05 dated 20.12.2005 under the powers delegated to Ministries / Departments.

Yours faithfully,

(Ganga Singh)
Joint Director(PT)

Copy forwarded to:

1. The Secretary (Forests), Government of Kerala. A copy of the detailed sanctioned letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2005-2006 may kindly be furnished to this Department immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Government of Kerala.
3. Chief Wildlife Warden/Chief Conservator of forests(WL), Government of Kerala.
4. The Field Director, Periyar Tiger Reserve, Kerala.
5. The Accountant General, Kerala
6. The Director of Audit, Scientific Deptt. AGCR Building, New Delhi.
7. Forest Finance Division, M/O E&F, New Delhi.
8. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
9. Dy. Advisor (Forestry), S&T Division, Planning Commission, Yojna Bhavan, New Delhi.
10. Dy. Director, Wildlife Preservation, Southern Region, Chennai.
11. Guard file/Spare copies.

(Ganga Singh)
Joint Director(PT)

ANNUAL PLAN OPERATION-2005-2006
Periyar Tiger Reserve, Kerala

Sl. No	Item of work	Quantity	Proposal for 2005-06
A.	Non-Recurring		
1.	Project Allowance.	LS	7.50
4.	Replacement of Boat in periyar Lake.	LS	20.00
9	Formation of new EDCs and supporting ongoing Ecodevelopment programmes as per approved microplans	LS	6.00
11	Construction of field stations at Karimala, pamba, Thekkady and puthussery	4 Nos.	15.00
12	Procuring Camera Traps.	20 Nos.	4.00
	Total of Non Recurring		52.50
B.	Recurring		
1	Habitat Improvement		
a)	Improvement of marshy grasslands (vayals)	0.04/Ha.	4.00
b)	Eradication of Eupatorium, Michienia, Lantana & Other exotic weeds.	0.05/Ha	4.00
C)	Development and maintenance of existing water holes	20 nos.	2.00
d)	Maintenance of existing trek paths/patrolling routes	400 km	10.00
e)	Vista clearance	50 km	0.50
f)	Controlled per-burning for fire protection.	LS	3.00
g)	Demarcation of Inter state boundary	60 km	1.50
h)	Demarcation of Inter Division Boundary	80 km	2.00
2.	Maintenance		
a)	Maintenance of vehicles/Boats	LS	15.00
b)	Maintenance of office including travel cost	LS	6.00
c)	Maintaining special protection/ anti poaching camps	6400 man days	4.00
d)	Maintenance & upkeep of Wireless Stations	LS	4.00

e)	Maintenance of staff quarters and field camps	LS	6.00
f)	Maintenance of Rest house/Inspection Bungalow/Dormitory/Community hall	10 Nos.	4.00
g)	Maintenance of Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Research and Information Centre	LS	1.50
h)	Maintenance of existing roads	20 km	1.00
3.	Fire Protection		
a)	Fire protection works- Clearing fire lines	300 km	7.50
b)	Wages for fire protection Watchers	6400 man days	4.00
4.	Reduction of man animal conflicts		
	Improvement and maintenance of Elephant proof trench	12.50 km	2.50
5.	Publicity and extension		
a)	Conducting nature awareness and capacity building programmes for various stakeholders	150	3.00
b)	Research, Monitoring and documentation	LS	1.50
TOTAL OF RECURRING			87.00
Grant Total			139.50

Detail of Release during 2005-06

A Non-Recurring Rs. 52.50 Lakhs
B Recurring Rs. 87.00 Lakhs
Total Sanction Rs. 139.50 Lakhs

100% of A Rs. 52.50 Lakhs
50% of B Rs. 43.50 Lakhs

Total Central Assistance Rs. 96.00 Lakhs
Amount being released as Ist Installment Rs. 75.00 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 commitment between the tiger reserve and the local people.