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Project Tiger Division

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To,  
**The Sr. Pay & Accounts Officer,**  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,  
New Delhi.

**Sub: Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme 'Project Tiger' Administrative Approval for funds release to Pench Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh during 2015-16.**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Pench Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh at the cost of **Rs. 412.766 Lakhs (Rupees Four hundred Twelve Lakhs Seventy Six thousand Six hundred only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 299.22 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and the **Government of Madhya Pradesh**. 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. 164.252 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Sixty Four Lakhs Twenty Five thousand Two hundred only)** including of 10% flexi-fund to the State Government towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Madhya Pradesh during the current financial year 2015-16. 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 **Pench 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 Madhya Pradesh** 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 **Pench 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 Madhya Pradesh in respect of **Pench Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report alongwith Utilisation Certificate in prescribed format on or before 31.3.2016.
- (x) **Pench 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.
- (xi) Grants-in-aid to **Government of Madhya Pradesh** is subject to the Economy Instructions issued from time to time by the Ministry of Finance or by the Competent Authority.
- (xii) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized before the end of the current financial year 2015-16 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Madhya Pradesh** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiii) Government of Madhya Pradesh in respect of **Pench Tiger Reserve** will maintain a separate account and will present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 209(xiii).
- (xiv) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized for **Pench Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, acting through the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Pench Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Madhya Pradesh**.
- (xv) 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).
- (xvi) The expenditure should be limited to the amount released and in no case should be done in anticipation of further release by the Ministry.
- (xvii) **The payments of daily wagers should be done through account transfer / account payee Cheques only.**
- (xviii) It may please be ensured that there is no duplication of nature and items of work being proposed in the same area under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger and other Centrally Sponsored Schemes such as Project Elephant, Eco-development and IDWH Schemes etc.
- (xix) The cost estimates worked out by the Field Director should be based on approved schedule of rates of the State Government, with due approval of the competent authority.

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of Madhya Pradesh 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 Tiger Conservation Plan and the Annual Plan of Operation by the field inspections from time to time.

7. **Further, Ministry of Finance, D/o of Expenditure, Plan Finance-II Division, vide O.M.No.55(5)/PF.II/2011 dated 06-01-2014, has introduced a flexi fund component within the Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) to achieve the following objectives:**

- i) **To provide flexibility to States to meet local needs and requirements within the overall objective of each programme or scheme;**
- ii) **To pilot innovations and improved efficiency within the overall objective of the scheme and its expected outcomes;**
- iii) **To undertake mitigation/restoration activities in case of natural calamities in the sector covered by the CSS.**

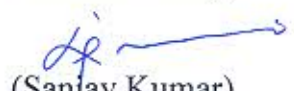
**The flexi-fund will be utilized by the State Government as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, read with guidelines of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger in vogue, for utilisation in the tiger reserve.**

8. 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 Madhya Pradesh under intimation to this Department.

9. The expenditure involved will be met from within the Sanctioned Budget Grants of Centrally Sponsored Project tiger Scheme under Demand No. 32, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Major Head 3601 – Grants-in-aid to the State Governments, 3601.02- Grants for State Plan Scheme, 3601.02.659-Environmental Forestry and Wildlife – Wildlife Preservation, 3601.02.659.04- Integrated Development of Wild Life Habitats, 3601.02.659.04.03- Project Tiger, 3601.02.659.04.03.31- Grants-in-aid for the year 2015-16 (Plan).

10. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 721/AS & FA dated 05.06.2015.

Yours faithfully,


  
(Sanjay Kumar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Madhya Pradesh. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2015-16 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.

2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Madhya Pradesh.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh.
4. The Field Director, Pench Tiger Reserve, Madhya Pradesh.
5. The Accountant General, Madhya Pradesh.
6. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
7. The IG, NTCA Regional Office, Nagpur.
8. Forest Finance Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
9. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
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(Sanjay Kumar)  
Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

**ANNEXURE****Annual Plan of Operations of Pench Tiger Reserve for the year 2015-16 under the ongoing Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger**

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item	Para No. of CSS-PT G.line/ Para of TCP	Amount released during PFY	Current Year 2015-16 Proposal			Financial Target Amount
				Location	GPS Point	Physical Target	
				Range	Latitude/ Longitude	Quantity/ Unit of work	
	<b>SPILL-OVER Works of Previous Year for Revalidation</b>						
1	<b>Purchase of equipment and accessories</b>						
	Range Finder	2 (vi)	3.00	PTR	-	30	3.00
2	<b>Civil works</b>						
a.	<b>Construction of buildings</b>						
i	Construction Beat Guard Naka - Kurai- Rukhad Beat	2 (vi)	5.25	Kurai	21°52'0.0" 79°31'24.3"	1	1.11
ii	Construction of culverts/rapta - Karmajhiri -Chikhlahhari doob road	2 (vi)	5.00	Karmajhiri	21°42' 49.8" 79°16' 46.8"	1	1.20
3	<b>Creation of Water Resources</b>						
a	<b>Hand pumps (with saucer)</b>						
i	Kurai -Alesur Beat Kattibarra	3 (ix)	1.00	Kurai	21°51' 38.6" 79°29' 16.3"	1	1.00
4	<b>Staff development and capacity building</b>						
i	<b>Human Resource Development</b>						
	In house training for anti poaching and legal cases, specialized training in use of computer and GIS to staff & officers.	1 (iii)	1.00	PTR	-	5 300 Staff	1.00
5	<b>Park visit of EDC members and students</b>						
i	Park visit of EDC members and students of EDC villages	4 (xii)	0.50	PTR	-	12 EDCs	0.50
6	<b>Procurement of hardware and software</b>						
i	Water bottle	2 (vi)	0.50	Buffer	-	100	0.50
	<b>Total Spill-Over Works</b>		<b>16.25</b>				<b>8.31</b>
	<b>NON-RECURRING (CORE)</b>						
1	<b>Antipoaching Activities</b>						
1	<b>Deployment of Tiger Protection Force</b>						

	Deployment of 2 squads of Tiger Protection Force consisting of 1 Supervisor, 4 Gunmen, 6 Jawans and 15 local people and 2 vehicles for each squad. Hiring of vehicles, providing POL and others (procurement of wireless, camping equipment, dress, boots, cap, belt, Mosquito nets, carpet, tents and training etc.)	2 (v)	47.00	All 3 Ranges of the tiger reserve and surrounding area		1 Supervisor, 8 Gunmen, 12 Jawans, 30 local people picked up from adjoining villages and 4 patrolling vehicles and others	25.00
<b>II</b>	<b>Purchase of Wireless equipment and accessories, Monitoring equipments</b>						
a.	Battery & Charger for Hand sets & Mobile sets	2 (vi)	1.00	PTR		LS	0.50
<b>2</b>	<b>Elephants and elephant camps</b>						
a.	Medicine		0.50	PTR		LS	0.25
<b>3</b>	<b>Field gear for patrolling staff</b>						
ii	Medicines	2 (vi)	0.50	PTR		LS	0.25
<b>4</b>	<b>Provision of Project/Ration Allowance to staff (all categories) of Project Tiger</b>						
(i)	Provision of Project Allowance to Field and Ministerial Staff. Core and Buffer Zone PTR	2 (viii)	20.00	Core and Buffer	-	Field Staff - 240 Ministerial Staff - 15	16.70
(ii)	Ration Allowance to foresters and forest guards of Core and Buffer, PTR	2 (viii)					
a.	Forester			Kurai	-	4	0.41
				Karmajhiri	-	4	0.41
				Guntara	-	5	0.52
				Khawasa	-	6	0.62
				Ghatkohka	-	2	0.21
				Rukhad	-	4	0.41
				Ari	-	9	0.93
				Kumbhapani	-	9	0.93
				Khamarpani	-	9	0.93
b.	Forest Guard			Kurai	-	16	1.65
				Karmajhiri	-	18	1.86
				Guntara	-	18	1.86
				Khawasa	-	9	0.93
				Ghatkohka	-	7	0.72
				Rukhad	-	15	1.55
				Ari	-	14	1.44
				Kumbhapani	-	14	1.44
				Khamarpani	-	14	1.44
<b>5</b>	<b>Research Activities</b>						
1	Carrying out monitoring of tiger, co-predators and prey-base as per the new methodology.	1 (ii)	3.00	PTR		L.S.	1.00
	<b>TOTAL OF NON-RECURRING WORKS (CORE)</b>						<b>61.96</b>

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<b>ECO-DEVELOPMENT WORKS</b>							
<b>A</b>	<b>Prophylactic immunization of livestock</b>						
<b>1</b>	<b>Cattle Immunization</b>						
<b>a</b>	To carry out prophylactic immunization of cattle in Pench Tiger Reserve.	2 (vii)	1.50	PTR		10000 cattle of 20 villages	1.50
<b>TOTAL OF ECO-DEVELOPMENT WORKS</b>							<b>1.50</b>
<b>Non Recurring (Buffer)</b>							
<b>1</b>	<b>Field gear for patrolling staff</b>						
<b>i</b>	Medicines	2 (vi)	0.25	PTR	-	LS	0.25
<b>2</b>	<b>Staff development and capacity building</b>						
	<b>Human Resource Development</b>						
	In house training for anti poaching and legal cases, specialized training in use of computer and GIS to staff & officers.	1 (iii)	1.00	PTR		2	0.25
<b>Non Recurring (Buffer)</b>							<b>0.50</b>
<b>Grand Total – Spill Over works+Non Recurring (Core)+ Eco Development + Non Recurring (Buffer) = 8.31+61.96+1.50+0.50</b>							<b>72.27</b>
<b>RECURRING WORKS (CORE)</b>							
<b>1</b>	<b>Antipoaching Activities</b>						
<b>i</b>	<b>Establishing and Maintenance of existing Patrolling Camps / Chowkis and Deployment of Camp Labourers for Patrolling etc.</b>					Nos.	
<b>a.</b>	<b>Camp Labourers</b>	2 (v)	92.04	PTR		55	46.20
			14.82			10	8.40
			14.04			10	8.40
<b>b.</b>	<b>Other Supporting labourers</b>		7.80	PTR		5	4.20
			7.80			10	8.40
			14.04			18	15.12
			10.92			14	11.76
			11.70			15	12.60
		7.80			10	8.40	
		23.40			15	12.60	

c.	Contractual Staff- Asst. Programmer for MIS		3.84			2	6.00
d.	Wages of Computer Operators for Entry Gates and Ranges		4.80			11	9.24
e	Wages of wireless attendants	2 (v)	39.00	PTR		20	16.80
2	<b>Monsoon Patrolling</b>	2 (v)	13.00	PTR		50	1.30
3	<b>Maintenance of wireless sets - Mobile Sets - 12, Hand held sets - 146, Fixed sets - 36</b>	2 (vi)	0.50	PTR		LS	0.50
4	<b>Water Resource Maintenance</b>						
a.	Maintenance of Waterholes	2 (v)	10.00	PTR		35 Tanks, 28 Stopdam, 56 Handpump, 8 Dyikes, 85 Jhiriya, 100 Nala closure	10.00
5	<b>Strengthening of infrastructure within Tiger Reserve</b>						
(i)	<b>Maintenance of buildings</b>					<b>Nos.</b>	
a.	Repair work of buildings- 4 Office Building, 67 Residential building, FRH, Inspention hut, tourist huts, & 2 Research centre	2 (vi)	5.00	PTR		44	5.00
b.	Maintenance of Patrolling camps/ Nakas/ Watch towers Maintenance are 62 Patrolling camp, 17 barrier huts, 20 watch towers	2 (vi)	10.00	PTR		99	10.00
(ii)	<b>Maintenance of road network</b>						
a.	Maintenance of roads	2 (vi)	12.30	PTR		150 km.	13.50
			12.60			150 km.	13.50
6	<b>Maintenance of vehicles</b>						
a.	Maintenance of Vehicles	2 (vi)	10.50	PTR		21	3.00
			0.30			15 Motor Cycle	0.40
			1.00			4 M. Boats	0.50
b.	POL for Vehicles/ Motor boat		18.00	PTR		28 vehicles & 15 motor cycle	5.00
7	<b>Maintenance of hardware</b>						
a.	Maintenance of Computers and peripherals, GPS, Photocopiers, Fax machines, LCD Projectors, Cameras, procurement of consumables etc.	2 (vi)	1.00	PTR		LS	0.50
8	<b>Fire Protection</b>					<b>Kms.</b>	
a.	Fireline Cleaning and Burning	3 (ix)	10.72	PTR		213	3.44
						635	6.57
						217	1.50
						9	0.24
b.	Fire watchers engaged		25.20	PTR		50	5.00
c.	Fire watcher Camps (Repairing)		1.00	PTR		10	1.00
d.	Purchase of Provisions for fire fighting teams		0.50	PTR		LS	1.00
9	<b>Maintenance of Elephants and elephant camps</b>						
	Supplementary Food -	2 (vii)	5.00	PTR		(9 Kg. Flour, 250 ml Soya Oil, 500 g. Gud, 250 g. Salt, Arundi, Neem Oil and Sugarcane 20 kg. in per elephant during Summer Season)	5.00

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10	Rewards to informers and staff	2 (v)	0.50	All Ranges		40 Informers @1000 and 20000/- LS for reward	0.50
11	Legal support for defending court cases	2 (v)	0.50	All Ranges		-	0.50
12	Wildlife Week						
(i)	Wildlife Week Celebrations	4 (xii)	1.00	PTR		-	0.80
13	Conservation education & Awareness, Ecotourism Facilities						
(i)	Publication of Brochures, booklets, Maintenance of wayside Exhibits, Display boards	4 (xii)	1.00	PTR		-	0.25
<b>TOTAL Recurring works (Core)</b>							<b>257.12</b>
<b>Recurring (Buffer)</b>							
1	Antipoaching Activities						
(i)	Establishing and Maintenance of existing Patrolling Camps / Chowkis and Deployment of Camp Labourers for Patrolling etc.					Nos.	
a.	Camp Labourers	2 (v)	66.30	PTR		40	33.60
			0.50				
			2.60				
2	Strengthening of infrastructure within Tiger Reserve						
(i)	Maintenance of buildings					Nos.	
a.	Repair work of buildings etc.	2 (vi)		PTR		LS	2.00
2	Maintenance of vehicles					Nos.	
a.	POL for Vehicles		2.00	PTR		LS	1.00
3	Fire Protection					Kms.	
		3 (ix)					
a.	Fire watchers engaged		4.54	PTR		71	5.00
4	Legal support for defending court cases	2 (v)		All Ranges		-	0.50
<b>TOTAL Recurring Works (Buffer)</b>							<b>42.10</b>
<b>Total Recurring (Core)+ (Buffer)</b>							<b>299.22</b>
<b>Grand Total – (Spill over + Non recurring (Core)+Eco Development+ Non Recurring (Buffer)+Recurring (Core)+Recurring (Buffer)</b>							<b>371.49</b>

(Rs. In Lakhs)

S.No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Spill over works	8.31	8.31
2.	Non-Recurring	62.46	62.46
3.	Eco development	1.50	1.50
4.	Recurring	299.22	149.61
5.	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>371.49</b>	<b>221.88</b>
5.	10% Flexi-fund (x/9)	41.276	24.653
6.	<b>Total (X)</b>	<b>412.766</b>	<b>246.533</b>
7	Adjustment of balance of previous year 2014-15	32.9744	32.9744
8.	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>379.7916</b>	<b>213.5586</b>

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Cost of APO including State's share (including Flexi Fund)	A	412.766
Centre's share in APO (without Flexi Fund)	B	221.88
FF on Centre's share	C=B/9	24.653
Centre's share including FF	D=B+C	246.533
1 <sup>st</sup> release @ 80% of Centre's share	E=0.8*D	197.2264
Less: Unspent balance FY 14-15	F	32.9744
Adjusted 1 <sup>st</sup> release including FF	G=E-F	164.252
2 <sup>nd</sup> release @ 20% of Centre's share	I=0.2*D	49.3066
Total release towards APO in FY 15-16	J=(9/10)*(G+I)	192.20274
Total release towards FF in FY 15-16	K=(1/10)*(G+I)	21.35586
Grand total release in FY 15-16	L=G+I	213.5586
Total effective release including USB	L+F	246.533
Effective release for APO activities	J+0.9*F	221.8797
Effective release for FFs	K+0.1*F	24.6533

Ecodevelopment initiatives should be based on normative guidelines of the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, 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.

