

No. 4-1(49)/2017-PT
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Project Tiger Division

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Dated the 6th September, 2017

To,
The 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 Orang Tiger Reserve, Assam during 2017-18.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Orang Tiger Reserve, Assam at the cost of **Rs. 366.95 Lakhs (Rupees Three hundred Sixty Six Lakhs Ninety Five thousand only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 186.55 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 90:10 basis by the **Government of India** and the **Government of Assam**. The remaining cost of the scheme will be treated as 90% Central Assistance by the Government of India and 10% assistance by the State Government of Assam.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment and release of an amount of **Rs. 264.21 lakhs (Rupees Two hundred Sixty Four Lakhs Twenty One thousand only)** to the State Government towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Assam during the current financial year 2017-18. 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 2017, 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 230 (1) 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 **Orang 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 230 (12) (I).
- (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 Assam** 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 **Orang 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 Assam in respect of **Orang Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report alongwith Utilisation Certificate in prescribed format on or before 31.3.2018.
 - (x) **Orang 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 Assam** 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 2017-18 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Assam** to the **Govt. of India**.
 - (xiii) Government of Assam in respect of **Orang Tiger Reserve** will maintain a separate account and will present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 230 (5).
 - (xiv) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized for **Orang 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 (Orang Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Assam**.
 - (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 duly linked with Aadhar Number.**
 - (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.
 - (xx) Approval of the competent authority be obtained and acceptance of UC may be ensured by PD.
 - (xxi) The expenditure is incurred as per the allocation of funds.
 - (xxii) Payments are made by bank transfer and no cash payment is to be made.



- (xxiii) GFR is followed by implementing agency alongwith the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- (xxiv) Satellite photo with date and latitude and longitude nodes after completion of work depicting the work carried out before and after the work.
- (xxv) Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payment and CST in case of leviable goods are sent along with UC.
- (xxvi) In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI contributions of employees shall be obtained wherever applicable.
- (xxvii) All measurable outcome of this grant must be mentioned in the sanction order and UC is to be submitted as prescribed in GFR 2017 – Form GFR 12-C.
- (xxviii) If the implementing agency does not use the fund for the purpose for which it was given, it has to refund the same with interest.
- (xxix) There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing schemes under CSS/CS/State Government Scheme.
- (xxx) The sanction order must mention measurable physical parameters and all measurable parameters are to be adhered to.
- (xxxi) The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- (xxxii) A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by Central Government or G&AG.
- (xxxiii) All guidelines under the project is to be followed scrupulously.
- (xxxiv) The UC with physical progress report and satellite photo with physical deliverable with date and latitude – longitude coordinates before and after completion of work be obtained of each tiger reserve and uploaded on the website of the implementing agency as well as the Ministry for public access.
- (xxxv) The measurable outcome under the project (quantified) in terms of number of tigers in tiger reserve, eco-tourism in tiger reserve, %age decrease in man-animal conflict etc., may also be submitted in the progress report.

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of Assam 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. 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 Assam 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. 27, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Major Head 3601 – Grants-in-aid to the State Governments, 3601.06 – Centrally Sponsored Schemes (Sub Major Head), 3601.06.101-Central Assistance / Share (Minor Head), 3601.06.101.02-Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats (Sub-Head), 02.01-Project Tiger (Detailed Head), 3601.06.101.02.01.31- Grants-in-aid General for the year 2017-18 (Plan).

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 88918/AS&FA dated 31.8.2017.

Yours faithfully,



(Sanjay Kumar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Assam. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2017-18 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Assam.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Assam.
4. The Field Director, Orang Tiger Reserve, Assam.
5. The IGF, NTCA Regional Office, Guwahati.
6. The Accountant General, Assam.
7. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
8. Forest Finance Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
9. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
10. Guard file/Spare copies.



(Sanjay Kumar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

**ORANG TIGER RESERVE, ASSAM
ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE YEAR 2017-18**

ANNEXURE

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Activity	Item	Para No. TCP	No. of item	Unit Price	Amount	GPS
NON-RECURRING CORE							
1	Anti-Poaching	Procurement of vehicles (boats, motorbikes, mobility, Gypsy, Jeep, Truck, Tractor) (Patrolling vehicles against condemnation)	4.1	10	0.7	07.00	
2	-do-	Procurement of field gear, night vision device, binoculars etc.	4.1	1	LS	13.00	
3	-do-	Procurement of vehicle against condemned vehicle (4 WD SUV/ Pick up)	4.1	1	9	09.00	
4	-do-	Procurement of vehicle against condemned vehicle (Tractors)	4.1	1	12	12.00	
5	Strengthening	Construction of Foresters Quarter	4.2	1	1	15.00	
6	-do-	Construction of Toilets	4.2	3	0.8	02.40	N26.588321, E92.307870
7	-do-	Construction of Range Office	4.2	1	9	09.00	N26.571261, E92.401102 N26.554227, E92.310364 N26.432627, E92.026084
8	-do-	Construction of Kitchens	4.2	3	1	03.00	N26.588321 E92.307870
9	-do-	Construction of Gate/ Check-posts	4.2	1	8	08.00	N26.571261 E92.401102
10	-do-	Construction of (patrolling camp, culverts)	4.2	1	10	10.00	N26.588321, E92.307870
11	-do-	Creation of fire watch tower, etc.	4.2	2	8	16.00	N 26.578022 E 92.419026
12	-do-	Creation of road network	4.2	15	1	15.00	N26.523023, E92.298028 N26.571261 E92.401102 N26.501797 E92.251910
13	Strengthening	Creation of wireless tower	4.2	4	3	12.00	
14	-do-	Procurement of Hardware	4.2	1	13	13.00	
15	Main streaming wildlife concerns	Capturing problematic and aberrant wild animals	4.4	10	0.1	01.00	
16	Staff Development	Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other reserves	4.8	1	1.5	01.50	
17	-do-	Dissemination workshops	4.8	1	1.2	01.20	
18	Project Allowance	Provision of Project Allowance to staff (all categories) of Project Tiger (providing project allowance to Ministerial staff is a new component) (non recurring). Separate for all categories. See from guide	4.15		8.5	08.50	
19	Staff welfare	Provision for ration allowance to field staff	4.8		8.15	08.15	
20	-do-	Supply of kerosene	4.8	1	13	00.30	
21	-do-	Supply of medicine	4.8	1	0.6	00.60	
22	-do-	Supply of field kit	4.8	1	1.5	01.50	
23	-do-	Supply of torch/ batteries	4.8	1	4.5	04.50	
24	-do-	Wildlife Conservation Awareness	4.4	1	2	02.00	
25	Water Development	Construction of Tank, Well, Hand Pump etc	4.8	5	0.15	00.75	N26.567342 E92.325792 N26.519114 E92.271886 N26.522541 E92.298055-2 N26.524807 E92.313237 N26.577300 E92.401020-2

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	TOTAL (Non-Recurring Core)						174.40	
	RECURRING CORE							
1	Anti Poaching	Maintenance of arms and ammunition	4.2	30	0.02	00.60		
2	-do-	Maintenance of elephant squads	4.1	10	0.08	00.80		
3	-do-	Maintenance field gear, night vision device	4.2	1	00.25	00.25		
4	-do-	Maintenance of wireless network.	4.2	LS	LS	01.50		
5	Anti Poaching	Deployment of local work force for patrolling, surveillance of water holes, manning barriers.	4.1		LS	95.37		
6	-do-	Operation Monsoon-Ensuring special site specific protection measures during monsoon considering the terrain and accessibility of Protected Areas.	4.1		LS	06.00		
7	Strengthening	Creation of Kuccha roads	4.2	20 km	00.10	02.00		
8	-do-	Maintenance of road net work	4.2	242 km		17.52		N26.516711 E92.258786 N26.546957 E92.335610 N26.582917 E92.299398 TO N26.504124 E92.252491 N26.585240 E92.301190 TO N26.578689 E92.406401
9	-do-	Maintenance of wireless tower	4.2	1	00.50	00.50		
10	-do-	Maintenance of vehicles (Gypsy, Jeep, Truck, Tractor, staff car etc)	4.2		LS	06.00		
11	-do-	Maintenance of Computers Accessories	4.2		LS	00.25		
12	Strengthening	Maintenance of Forest Guard Quarters	4.2	3	00.40	01.20		
13	-do-	Maintenance of Foresters Quarters	4.2	3	00.50	01.50		N26.583757 E92.304070 - 3Nos
14.	-do-	Maintenance of Rangers Quarters	4.2	1	00.50	00.50		N26.588108 E92.307992 - 3Nos
15.	-do-	Maintenance of FD quarters	4.2	1	01.50	01.50		N26.587313 E92.306949
16	-do-	Maintenance of Garage/shed	4.2	3	00.10	00.30		N26.432720 E92.033084
17	-do-	Maintenance of Toilets.	4.2	10	00.06	00.60		N26.434747 E92.026159
18	-do-	Maintenance of Range Office	4.2	1	00.50	00.50		N26.567380 E92.310678
19	-do-	Maintenance of FD Office.	4.2	1	01.50	01.50		N26.582583 E92.298267
20.	-do-	Maintenance of Lock-ups	4.2	1	00.50	00.50		N26.435773 E92.027612
21	-do-	Maintenance of Kitchens	4.2	15	00.08	01.20		N26.582583 E92.298267
22	-do-	Maintenance of Gate/ Check-posts	4.2	3	15.00	00.45		N26.561500 E92.309438
23	-do-	Maintenance of tranquillizing equipments and rescue vehicles.	4.2	1	LS	00.10		N26.586676 E92.304037
24	-do-	Construction of FD Quarters	4.2	1	03.00	03.00		
25	Tiger Safari	Maintenance of Tiger safari, interpretation, and awareness centres under the existing component of co-occurrence agenda in buffer and fringe areas.	4.5	1	LS	01.00		
	TOTAL (Recurring Core)					144.64		
	RECCURRING BUFFER							
1.	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of existing patrolling camps/ chowkies	4.1	40	00.25	10.00		
2	-do-	Maintenance of office equipments			LS	02.00		

3	-do-	Maintenance of chain-link fencing	4.2	5.5 Km	00.40	02.20
4	Anti-Poaching	Special repair and maintenance work (E.g. Pipe lines)	4.2	LS	LS	01.50
5	-do-	Organizing surprise raids jointly with the local police (in railway stations, local trains, bus stops, buses, catchers and cafeteria.)	4.1	LS	LS	01.00
6	Anti-Poaching	Reward to informers	4.1	LS	LS	01.25
7	Strengthening	Maintenance of fire lines and fire breaks	4.2	10 Km	00.48	00.96
8	-do-	Maintenance of Gate/Check -posts	4.2	3	00.30	00.90
9	-do-	Maintenance of fire watch towers	4.2	1.5	LS	01.00
10	Strengthening	Maintenance of bridge	4.2	6	00.50	03.00
11	-do-	Maintenance of Anicuts, Stop Damcum - Bridge, Culverts, Irish Bridge.	4.2	8	00.20	01.60
12	-do-	Maintenance of earthen ponds.	4.2	10	00.30	03.00
13	Main-streaming wildlife concerns	Monitoring of wild animals	4.4	1	LS	01.00
14	Staff Development	Capacity building and training	4.8	1	00.50	00.50
15	-do-	Specialized training in jurisprudence and wildlife forensic.	4.8	1	00.50	01.00
16	Co-occurrence agenda in buffer	Co-occurrence agenda in buffer and fringe areas (landscape approach, sectoral integration, ecologically sustainable development programmed, livelihood options and eco-tourism (new activity in case of tiger reserves where buffer has not been notified so far	4.5		15.00	11.00
TOTAL (Recurring Buffer)						41.91
NON-RECURRING BUFFER						
1	Addressing man animal conflict	Deployment of cages to catch problematic animals	4.4	1	1	00.50
2	-do-	Payment of compensation for cattle lifting, death of human beings, and crop predation* due to wild animals.	4.4	LS	00.50	00.50
3	Staff Development	Specialized training in the use of Global Information System (GIS), anti-poaching operations.	4.8	1	LS	01.00
4	-do-	Specialized training park interpretation	4.8	1	LS	01.00
5	Eco-Development	Basic Healthcare/ Health Camps	4.8	4	0.50	02.00
6	-do-	To carry out prophylactic immunization of cattle in and around Tiger Reserve.	4.4	2000 cattle	50	01.00
TOTAL (Non-Recurring Buffer)						6.00

(Rs. In Lakhs)

S. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Non-Recurring (90%)	180.40	162.35
2.	Recurring (10%)	186.55	167.90
Total		366.95	330.26

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(Rs. In Lakhs)

Cost of APO including State's share	A	366.950
Center's share in APO	B	330.26
1 st release @ 80% of Center's share	$E=0.8*D$	264.21
Less: Unspent balance FY 16-17	F	NIL
Adjusted 1 st release	$G=E-F$	264.21
2 nd release @ 20% of Centre's share	$I=0.2*D$	66.05

* 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.



**No. 4-1(49)/2017-PT
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF 079-ENVIRONMENT and FORESTS**

DATED: 06/09/2017

To,
The Principal Accounts Officer
079-ENVIRONMENT and FORESTS

Sub: Release of Grants-in-aid under 9155-PROJECT TIGER to the state of Govt. of

Agency Name
ASSAM GOVT.

for the year 2018.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the President of India to the payment of Rs 26421000 (Rupees two crore(s) sixty four lakh(s) twenty one thousand only) to the State Government of

Agency Name	Amount
ASSAM GOVT.	26421000

towards first/second installment of grants under 9155-PROJECT TIGER for _____ during the year 2018.

2. This grant is towards plan expenditure and should be utilized on the programme as per approved guidelines of 9155-PROJECT TIGER and no deviation from the provisions of guidelines is permissible.
3. The State Government should release its share immediately on the receipt of this Central share for this programme as per guidelines of this scheme.
4. The State government will furnish the certificate of actual utilization of this grant within twelve months of the closure of accounts. In respect of expenditure by the state government through local bodies or private institutes the utilization certificate is required to be furnished by the state government.
5. The above expenditure is debitible to the following head of accounts in the financial year 2018.
Demand No 027-M/o Environment, Forests and Climate Change
Major Head 3601
Sub-Major Head 06
Minor Head 101
Sub-Head 02
Detailed Head 01
Object Head 31-GRANTS-IN-AID GENERAL (PLAN)

6. No utilization is pending against

Agency Name	Amount
ASSAM GOVT.	26421000

under the scheme.

7. Principal Accounts Office may issue an advice to Reserve Bank of India, Central Accounts Section, Nagpur for affording credit of Rs 26421000 (Rupees two crore(s) sixty four lakh(s) twenty one thousand only) to the State Government of

Agency Name
ASSAM GOVT.

with copies endorsed to Accountant General and Finance Department of State Government of

Agency Name	Amount
ASSAM GOVT.	26421000

8. The pattern of assistance or rules governing such grants-in-aid have received the approval of Ministry of Finance as required under Govt. of India Decision(1) below Rule 20 of Delegation of Financial Powers.

9. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide their Diary No 88918/AS&FA dated 31/08/2017


 Yours faithfully,
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 DY. SECRETARY/DIRECTOR/UNDER SECRETARY/DESK OFFICER

SANJAY KUMAR
 Deputy Secretary General
 Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
 Government of India