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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Project Tiger Division

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Dated the 21st July, 2020

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 Nameri Tiger Reserve, Assam during 2020-21 –reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Nameri Tiger Reserve, Assam at the cost of **Rs. 189.37 Lakhs (Rupees One Hundred Eighty Nine lakhs Thirty Seven thousand only)** as per details given in the table at Annexure. Of the total cost of the Scheme, **Rs. 87.82 Lakhs (Rupees Eighty Seven lakhs Eighty Two thousand only)** being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 90:10 basis by the **Government of India and 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. 22.39 lakhs (Rupees Twenty Two lakhs Thirty Nine thousand only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Assam during the current financial year 2020-21. 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 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 **Nameri 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

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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 **Nameri 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, 1971 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, 1971 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.
- (viii) The Utilization 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 **Nameri Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-achievement report on or before 31.3.2021.
- (x) **Nameri 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 2020-21 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Assam** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiii) Government of Assam in respect of **Nameri 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 **Nameri Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, acting through the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (**Nameri 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) Funds for POL / maintenance of vehicles would be admissible only for the vehicles purchased from CSS funds.
- (xxiv) **Funds will not be diverted for any item other than specified herein.**
- (xxv) **Funds to be spent only on items approved in TCP.**

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- (xxvi) Compensation for loss due to wildlife is to supplement the State Government fund as per the rules of State Government.
- (xxvii) GFR is followed by implementing agency alongwith the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- (xxviii) Satellite photo with date and latitude and longitude nodes after completion of work depicting the work carried out before and after the work.
- (xxix) Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payment and CST in case of leviable goods are sent along with UC.
- (xxx) In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI contributions of employees shall be obtained wherever applicable.
- (xxxi) 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.
- (xxxii) 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.
- (xxxiii) There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing schemes under CSS/CS/State Government Scheme.
- (xxxiv) The sanction order must mention measurable physical parameters and all measurable parameters are to be adhered to.
- (xxxv) The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- (xxxvi) A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by Central Government or C&AG.
- (xxxvii) All guidelines under the project is to be followed scrupulously.
- (xxxviii) 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.
- (xxxix) 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.
- (xl) All labour payments strictly by DBT.

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 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 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 of National Tiger Conservation Authority should 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.

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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 incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 25 (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) under the following heads during the Financial Year 2020-21 :

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger	3601.06.101.02.01.31 (Gen)	22.39
Total		22.39

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 137934/AS&FA (PG) dated 17.07.2020.

Yours faithfully,

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(Surender Mehra)

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 2020-21 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, Nameri Tiger Reserve, Assam.
5. The Accountant General, Assam.
6. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
7. IGF, NTCA Regional Office, Guwahati.
8. Forest Finance Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
9. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
10. Guard file/Spare copies.

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NAMERI TIGER RESERVE, ASSAM
FORMAT OF ANNUAL PLAN OPERATION
FOR SEEKING CENTRAL ASSISTANCE UNDER CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME- PROJECT TIGER
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-21

Sl. No.	Activity	Item	Para No. of CSS-PT Guide lines	Para of TCP	Previous Year Details			Current year Proposal			Justification/Remarks	
					Location/GPS Coordinates	Physical	Financial	Location/GPS Coordinates	Physical	Financial		
					Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement		
CORE												
1	Anti-Poaching	Procurement of boats etc.	16.1.14	7.3.1		2	0%	1.20	0%	2	1.40	Construction of wooden country boat for use in anti-depredation activities
2	Anti-Poaching	Construction of culvert	16.2.1	7.3.1	26.94, 92.92; 26.95, 92.90; 26.93, 92.89; 26.94, 92.89	4	0%	10.00	0%			Construction of culvert For the ease of patrolling and better road connectivity among camps
3	Anti-poaching	Procurement of uniform, Hunting, Jackets, Socks, Belt, Cap, Whistle cord, whistle etc.	16.1.15	7.3.1		0				200	3.30	Procurement of uniform for the frontline staff of the TR

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4	Anti-Poaching	Creation of Road network	16.2.2	13.2		15 km	70%	4.50	0%		10 km	3.00	Opening of Patrolling Path for performing patrolling in the interior areas of the park
5	Strengthenin g	Creation of wireless Tower	16.2.3	10.3	26,88,92. 85 26,93, 92.93 26,89, 92.84 26,91, 92.89 26,93, 92.83	0							Establishment of wireless antenna need to be mounted in tower due to inaccessibility of communication problem
6	Staff Development	Dissemination workshops	16.8.6	9.2		0					2	1.00	Awareness programme among fronge villagers for the protection of wildlife & its habitat
7	Project Allowance	Provision of Project Allowance to staff (all categories) of Project Tiger	16.15	8.5		LS	100%	10.45	0%		LS	10.72	Allowances for staff of Field Director- 1X2000 ACF 1X1500 F.R.- 4X1000 Dy. R Fr.I, Fr. II= 22X900 Sr. Asstt, Jr. Asstt, Fgd, GW, E.S., Mahout, Driver= 56X700 B.M, H.M., G.C., O.P. Chowkidar= 17X4000

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8	Staff Welfare	Provision of Ration Allowance to field staff.	16.2.1	8.5	LS	100%	13.6 2	0%	LS	13.93	Incentive to the staff for serving in Tiger Reserve	Fixed Pay/CL staff- 40X400
9	Staff Welfare	Provision for ration allowance to field staff- Head constable	16.16	8.5	LS	100%	2.06	0%	LS	1.85	Provision of ration allowances to Assam Forest Protection Force personnel Total 18X860 serving in the TR	
10	Staff Welfare	Supply of medicine	16.16	8.5	0				LS	0.50	Required as preventive measures against Malaria, Dysentery, Minor injuries to the staff working in remote area	
11	Anti-Poaching	Procurement of Inflatable Dinghis (Rubber boats)	16.1.1 4	7.3.1	2	0%	2.00	0%	2	2.00	Procurement of Inflatable Dinghis for River patrolling by staff due to wear and tear of existing dinghis	

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12	Strengthening	Provision of solar fencing around all camps for safety & security of camp staff	16.2.1	8.5															Errection of solar electric fence around the camp for better safety and security of the staff against wild animals (34 x 96750)
13	Strengthening	Procurement of new Wireless sets alongwith base station	16.2.3	10.3	0					26.93, 92.83; 26.90, 92.84; 26.92, 92.85; 26.86, 92.85, 26.92, 92.54; 26.93, 92.49; 26.87, 92.55; 26.93, 92.53; 26.94, 92.45; 26.86, 92.50;	10	2.70							Procurement of new Wireless sets (base station) for providing better Wireless connectivity among all the camps and enhancement of effectiveness in protection
14	Strengthening	Procurement of Hand held wireless sets	16.2.3	10.3	0						20	3.80						Communication between field patrolling units and base camps	
15	Staff Welfare	Procurement of Water Tank along with Generator and Pumpset	16.16	7.2.4	0					27.01, 92.65; 26.93, 92.97	2	3.00						Providing better /clean facility of drinking water to the camp staff	

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16	Staff Welfare	2000 litre Overhead tank with a filtration unit at Range HQ	16.16	7.2.4	26.86, 92.54	1	0%	2.50	0%				Construction of overhead tank with filtration unit For providing clean drinking water facilities to the camp staff
17	Staff Welfare	Construction of Sanitary Latrin at Range HQ	16.16	7.2.4		0					26.86, 92.54	2	Construction of Sanitary Latrin for Health and Sanitation facility to the staff
18	Strengthening	Construction of Boundary wall on South side of Campus	16.2.1	7.2.4	26.86, 92.54	160 mt	0%	3.80	0%			40 mt	40 metres if wall @ Rs. 2500/- per metre for protection and security of staff and Govt. properties.
19	Strengthening	Solar home lighting system for Anti-poaching camps	16.2.1	7.2.4	26.93, 92.53; 26.94, 92.45; 26.91, 92.44; 26.86, 92.58; 26.87, 92.48;	5	100%	1.50	0%		26.64, 92.81; 27.01, 92.65; 26.99, 92.68; 27.00, 92.71; 27.00, 92.74; 26.99, 92.76;	10	Procurement of Solar home lighting system to install in Anti Poaching Camps of the TR
20	Strengthening	Solar LED street light for Range H.Q.	16.2.1	7.2.4		6	100%	1.20	0%		26.92, 92.83; 26.86, 92.52	5	Procurement of Solar Light System for smooth movement of

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3	Eco-Development	Construction of Box Culverts over Sonai nullah and Sand Graveling of Tarajan Potasali Road	16.10.1	7.3.1/6.7	26.92, 92.82	1	0%	10.00	0%								For Better road connectivity and smooth movement for the villagers as well as tourists
5	Eco-Development	To carry out health camp for the fringe villagers around the Tiger Reserve	16.1	7.2.1		2	0%	1.00	0%	2			1.00				Medical camps or public support and better health care on the fringe villages of the TR
6	Staff Welfare	2000 litre Overhead tank with a filtration unit at Range HQ	16.16	7.3.1	26.92, 92.82	1	0%	2.50	0%								Construction of overhead tank with filtration unit For providing clean drinking water facilities to the camp staff
7	Strengthening	Establishing monitoring system for Tiger's intensive protection and ecological status (M-Stripes) monitoring	16.2.14	7.3.1		5	100%	0.51	0%								For better monitoring of TR (Buffer)
Total								14.01					3.50				

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1	Anti-Poaching	Deployment of camp labourers for patrolling	16.1.3	7.3.1		LS	100%	33.4 8	100%		27.00	Strengthening the combating power of the front line staff & engaged in other activities (25 dls x @ 9000/- x 12 months).
2	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of vehicle, boats	16.1.1 4	7.3.1 /6.7		LS	100%	5.00	80%		5.00	* Maintenance of all departmental vehicles used for patrolling & other duties along with the cost of POL
3	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of existing patrolling camps/ chowkis and deployment of camp labourers for patrolling	16.1.3	7.3.1		10	100%	5.00	50%		8.00	Camps need immediate repairing to fix leakage of roof, fixing broken door, windows etc.

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4	Anti-Poaching	16.2.1	7.3.1			0	50%	6.00	0%	26.92, 92.82; 26.86, 92.54	5	LS	1.00	Maintenance of camera trap, computer, wireless set etc. of the Range
5	Anti-Poaching		7.3.1			5	50%	6.00	0%				6.00	Immediate repairing to fix leakage of roof, fixing broken door, windows etc.
6	Strengthening	16.2.2	10.3			222 Kms	80%	8.00	30%	.142.000 maintenance of Fair weather road * 20,000.00 = 28,40,000 .70.000 maintenance of Patrolling Path * 6,000.00 = 4,32,000.00	222 Kms		11.72	Maintenance of Vehicle road by cleaning, levelling & compacting the road surface with providing drainage facility in both sides in Nameri and Satellite Core TR Maintenance of patrolling path by cleaning jungle for easy movement of staff on inaccessible area of the TR where road link is not possible

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7	Staff Development	Capacity building and training	16.8.1	8.4		1												Capacity building and training of modern equipments among staff of TR for better management
8	Habitat Improvement	Grassland improvement wetland improvement	16.3	7.2.3		150	50%	8.00	0%	26.95, 92.89; 26.96, 92.81; 27.00, 92.71; 26.93, 92.84; 26.99, 92.76; 26.98, 92.83; 26.91, 92.48; 26.88, 92.53; 26.90, 92.51; 26.90, 92.50	150 hact OTS		12.00		To arrest ecological succession by uprooting invasive trees and shrubs and providing better fodder and shelter to the animals			
9	Habitat Improvement	Weed eradication	16.3	7.2.3		30	80%	3.00	0%	26.93, 92.84; 26.94, 92.85	20 hact OTS		3.00		Labour charges for Cutting, uprooting, cleaning of the weeds away from the habitats by uprooting Lantana, Simul, Owlata, Bhekor etc.			

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10	Anti-Poaching	Conducting Elephant training camp	16.2.3	12.1	1	100%	1.00	0%									Imparting training to the sub-adult departmental Elephant for Protection duty
Total																	
69.48																	
74.72																	
BUFFER																	
1	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of arms & ammunitions	16.1.10	15.5/6.3	LS		0.50			LS							Maintenance of arms and procurement of ammunitions
2	Strengthening	Maintenance of staff quarters, family hostels, office improvement, house keeping buildings, museum etc.	16.2.1	7.3.1	0					16							Maintenance of staff quarter in Division & Range HQ for better performance & efficiency
3	Strengthening	Maintenance of Beat office	16.2.1	7.3.1	1	0%	0.80	0%		1							The beat office have not been repaired since long & required immediate repairing with Tiles fixing
4	Strengthening	Maintenance of DD/ DFO,s Office	16.2.1	7.3.2	0					1							Maintenance of DFO residence with necessary major repairing with replacing roof of the bungalow

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5	Anti-Poaching	Office Equipment	16.2.1	6.3		LS	80%	1.00	0%	26.92, 92.82, 26.94, 92.81	LS	1.00	To increase efficiency of performing the official works. (Laptop: 2 no.s, Xerox machine with scanner: 2 no.s, Colour Printer: 2 no.s)
6	Staff Welfare	Renovation of water Tank at Division H.Q.	16.16	6.3		1	0%	3.00	0%	26.94, 92.81	0		Renovation of Water supply system with plumbing and 4 inch boring with submersible pump of 2 H.P at Division H.Q.
7	Research	Engagement of Biologist	16.7	6.2		1	0%	2.10	0%		1	2.10	To be engaged for various research work inside the TR @ 35,000.00 per month (including revalidation)
			Total					7.40				13.10	
			Total Non-Recurring (Core+ Buffer)									101.55	
			Total Recurring (Core+Buffer)									87.82	
			Grand Total (Non-Recurring + Recurring)									189.37	

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(Rs. In lakhs)

S. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Non-Recurring (90:10%)	101.55	91.39
2.	Recurring (90:10%)	87.82	79.03
	Total	189.37	170.42

(Rs. In lakhs)

Cost of APO including State's share	A	189.37
Center's share in APO	B	170.43
1 st release @ 50% of Center's share	C=0.5*B	85.21
Less: Unspent balance FY 19-20	D	62.82
Adjusted 1 st release	E=C-D	22.39
2 nd release @ 50% of Center's share	F=0.5*B	85.22

* Eco development 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 Tiger Reserves and the local people.

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