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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Project Tiger Division

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Dated: 13th December, 2021

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 Indravati Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh during 2021-22-1st installment – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Indravati Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh at the cost of **Rs. 194.95 (Rupees One Hundred Ninety Four lakhs Ninety Five thousand only)** as per details given in the table at Annexure. Of the total cost of the Scheme, **Rs. 173.52 Lakhs (Rupees One Hundred Seventy Three lakhs Fifty Two thousand only)** being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the Government of India and Government of **Chhattisgarh**. The remaining cost of the scheme will be treated as 60% Central Assistance by the Government of India and 40% assistance by the State Government of **Chhattisgarh**.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment and release of an amount of **Rs. 20.69 (Rupees Twenty lakhs Sixty Nine thousand only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Chhattisgarh during the current financial year 2021-22. 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.


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- 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 **Indravati 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 Chhattisgarh** 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 **Indravati 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 **Chhattisgarh** in respect of **Indravati Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report on or before 31.3.2022.
- x. **Indravati 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 Chhattisgarh** 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 2021-22 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Chhattisgarh** to the **Govt. of India**.
- xiii. Government of **Chhattisgarh** in respect of **Indravati 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 **Indravati 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 (**Indravati Tiger Reserve**) and **Government of Chhattisgarh**.
- 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

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- 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 Tiger Conservation Plan (TCP).
- 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 Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).
- xli. The guidelines of Project Tiger Schemes are followed by **Indravati** Tiger Reserve and Expenditure Evaluation Report on the expenditure incurred vis-à-vis proposed activities and result achieved may be furnished.


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3. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of **Chhattisgarh** is not required to furnish bond and sureties, in accordance with the Ministry of Finance O.M. No. 14(1)-EII (A)/64 dated 23.06.1965.

4. The 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.

5. 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.

6. 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 **Chhattisgarh** under intimation to this Department.

7. 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 2021-22:

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger	3601.06.101.02.01.31 (Gen)	6.21
Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger	3601.06.789.02.01.31 (SCSP)	4.14
Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger	3601.06.796.02.01.31 (TSP)	10.34
	Total	20.69

8. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 165340/JS&FA (SP) dated 10.12.2021. **Compliance of all the guidelines/instructions regarding release of funds under Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) and monitoring utilization of funds released, Issued by Dept. of Expenditure (Ministry of Finance) vide OM No 1(13)PFMS/FCD/2020 dated 23.03.2021 must be ensured.**

Yours faithfully,


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Copy to:-

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi.
2. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Chhattisgarh. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2021-22 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
3. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Chhattisgarh.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Chhattisgarh.
5. The Field Director, Indravati Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh.
6. The Accountant General, Chhattisgarh.
7. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
8. The AIGF, NTCA Regional Office, Nagpur.
9. Forest Finance Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
10. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
11. Guard file/Spare copies.


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S. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1.	Non-Recurring (60%)	24.63	12.86
2.	Recurring (50%)	173.52	86.76
	Total	194.95	99.62

(Rs. In lakhs)

Cost of APO including State's share	A	194.95
Central share in APO	B	99.62
1 st release @ 75% of Central share	C=0.75*B	74.71
Less: Unspent balance FY 20-21	D	54.02
Adjusted 1 st release	E=C-D	20.69
Balance of center share to be released	F=0.25*B	24.91


* 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.

Annual Plan of Operation of Indrawati Tiger Reserve, Bijapur (CG) under centrally sponsored scheme - Project Tiger FY 2021-22

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		CSS-PT Guideline	TCP		Physical		Financial		Location/GPS Coordinates	Physical Target	Unit Cost	Amount (Financial Target)	
					Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Non-Recurring (Core Zone)													
2	Core Area: Day to day Monitoring of wild Animal. Camera Trap 60 Nos @ = 22000/-	16.7.1	-	-	5.0	5.00	1.25	1.25	-	50	0.2	11.00	Procurement of Camera Trap for monitoring of wild animals Camera Trap 60 Nos @ = 22000/-
3	Core Area: Dissemination workshops. 4 Workshopes (Core Area) @ 50000 = 100000	16.8.6	12.6	-	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	2	0.50	1.00	Workshops on Wildlife crime prevention, habitate reg. Court cases, wildlife monitoring management etc. 4 Workshopes (Core Area) @ 50000 = 100000
7	Core Area: Supply of Uniform for Field Staff	16.16.4	10.4	-	98.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	109	0.02	2.18	Field Kits (Uniform) are useful to the front line staff specially of core area of TR during their field visit in the tiger reserve-99 Forest Guard & 10 Driver / Peons/Chowkidar=98 No.
(Sub Total Non Recurring) Core Zone							1.25	1.25				14.18	
Non-Recurring (Buffer Zone)													
8	Buffer Area:- Provision of Project Allowance for Field Staff	16.15	10.3.12	-	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-	1	6.25	6.25	To encourage field staff/ office staff to work inertial and difficult areas of tiger reserve (NON-RECURRING BUFFER ZONE) Buffer Area 1. Asstt. Director.-01x2000 x 12 =24000 2. Range Officer-03x1500 x 12 =54000 3. Dy. Ranger-04x1300 x 12 =62400 4. Forester-04x1100 x 12 =52800 5. Forest Guard-36x1000 x 12
10	Buffer Area:- To carry out prophylactic Immunization of cattle in and around Tiger Reserve.	16.10	7.2.2.4 & 7.2.2.6	-	10.00	10.00	0.50	0.50	-	4	0.25	1.00	Immunization to domestic cattle to prevent the disease outbreak Immunization camp 4@25000=Rs. 100000/-

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	(Sub Total Non Recurring) Buffer Zone						0.50	0.50				7.25	
	Total (Sub Total Non Recurring) (Core + Buffer)						1.75	1.75				21.43	
Recurring (Core Zone)													
11	Core Area: Deployment of local work force for patrolling, surveillance of water holes, manning barriers.	16.1.9	10.2 & 10.2	-	708.00	708.00	20.00	20.00	-	708	0.092	65.21	Local work force is essential to control the illicit felling and anti poaching operations. Details Range-05 RA Circle-15 Beat-60 Patrolling Labour (01 Lab. Each Beat) =50x12 Month (600 Lab.) x @ 9210/- per Month
12	Core Area: Deployment of Camp labours for patrolling.	16.1.3	10.2 & 10.2	-	708.00	708.00	23.00	23.00	-	708	0.092	65.21	To protection and management of wildlife patrolling labours are very essential Range-05 RA Circle-15 Beat-60 Protection Labour(01 Lab. Each Beat) =50x12 Month (600 Lab.) x @ 9210/- per Month
	(Sub Total Recurring) Core Zone						43.00	43.00				130.41	


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17	Buffer Area: Deployment of local work force for patrolling, surveillance of water holes, manning barriers.	16.1.9	11.1	-	468.00	468.00	15.00	15.00	-	234	0.092	21.55	To protection and management of wildlife patrolling labours are very essential Range-03 RA Circle-10 Beat-39 Patrolling Labour (01 Lab. Each Beat) =39x12 Month (234 Lab.) x @ 9210/- per Month	
18	Buffer Area: Deployment of camp labours for patrolling.	16.1.5	10.3.4	-	468.00	468.00	13.06	13.06	-	234	0.092	21.55	To protection and management of wildlife patrolling labours are very essential Range-03 RA Circle-10 Beat-39 Patrolling Labour (01 Lab. Each Beat) =39x12 Month (234 Lab.) x @ 9210/- per Month	
Total (Recurring) Buffer Zone							28.06	28.06				43.10		
Total (Sub Total Recurring) (Core + Buffer)									71.06	71.06			173.52	
Total (Recurring+Non-Recurring): - (2020-21)									72.81	72.81			194.95	

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