

भारत सरकार
Government of India
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
राष्ट्रीय व्याघ्र संरक्षण प्राधिकरण
National Tiger Conservation Authority

F. No. 4-1(17)/2022-PT

New Delhi, the November 24, 2022

To,

The Chief Wildlife Warden
Govt. of Bihar

Sub.: APO for the FY 2022-23 in respect of Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar under CSS-Project Tiger- reg.

Madam/Sir,

Reference is invited to the subject cited above. In this context, I am directed to inform you that the 1st instalment of Rs. 150.59 lakhs (being 25% of Central share) was due to be released to Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar for the APO of current financial year. However, since the unspent balance of Rs. 204.87 lakh is more than the proposed release of Rs.150.59 lakh, the fund released was not agreed upon.

2. Further vide its note#29 dated 18.11.2022, the Integrated Finance Division, MoEF&CC has concurred the APO of Valmiki Tiger Reserve stating that the:-

“State Government/Tiger Reserve is allowed to utilise USB of Rs. 204.87 lakh available with Tiger Reserve in 2022-23 with the condition that this 204.87 lakh will be deducted from the central share of Rs.602.36 lakh of current financial year.”

Keeping in view of the above, you are requested to kindly submit Utilization Certificate and Physical Financial Report so that further release for the current financial year may be processed.

3. 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,


हेमंत सिंह / Hemant Singh

सहाय वन महानिरीक्षक (रा.व्या.सं.प्रा.)/Asst. IGF (NTCA)

Email: aig3-ntca@nic.in

Tel. (EPABX): + 91 11 24367837-39

FAX: +91 11 24367836


Copy to:

1. PS to ADG (PT) & MS (NTCA), New Delhi
2. PA to IGF, NTCA (Hqrs), New Delhi
3. The Principal Accounts Officer, MoEFCC, New Delhi
4. The Director, Integrated Finance Division, MoEFCC, New Delhi
5. The Field Director, Valmiki Tiger Reserve.

Annual Plan of Operation Valmiki Tiger Reserve under Centrally Sponsored Scheme – Project Tiger for 2022-23

(Rs in Lakhs)

S. No.	Item of work	Para No.		Location / GPS coordinates	Previous Year Details			Current Year Proposal			Justification		
		CSS-PT Guidelines	TCP		Physical Target	Physical Achievement	Financial Target	Financial Achievement	Physical Target	Unit Cost		Amount (Financial Target)	
					Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Cost		Target	
NON-RECURRING COMPONENTS, Central: State (60:40)													
1	Procurement of walkie talkie @ 15000/- *15000*30 =450000 06 Vehicle/Base wireless set @30000*6 =180000. Total 6.30 Lakh	16.1.7	16.2.1 (b)		30	0	6.60	0.00		30	0.15 0.30	6.30	To replace the out of order wireless handsets and to provide to the newly created patrolling parties and the APC staffs, apart from the regular permanent staffs in VTR for effective and uninterrupted communication in the remote areas of VTR.
2	Establishing of Patrolling Camp with fencing /APC Camp @ 14.86 lakh APC chainlink fencing for existing A.P.C. @ 4.15 Lakh	16.1.4	11.4.1.1		2	0	27.50	0.00	1. 27°18'31"N/84°30'07"E (S46) Manguraha 2. 27°16'45.4"N/84°10'38.5"E (K-45) Chiuaba	2	14.86	29.72	Additional camps are required for keeping continuous vigilance & monitoring on wildlife and forest/wildlife crime crimes-
3	Redressing man-animal conflict. L.S. Rs 8.00 Lakh to meet the emergency situation which has become regular every year with increased frequency of tiger and other wild animals stray out incidents. Rescue, monitoring and rehabilitation wildlife. @ * 800000.000	16.10.1	5.4		L.S.	Rescue & Monitoring work	6.00	3.500	GPS Location APC Chain link Finishing Ganauti Range- T-20- 27°20'22"N 84°03'37"E Haratand Range- N-01-27°25'41.9"N 084°01'42.9"E N-03- 27°25'11.3"N 084°04'09.1"E Chiuaba Range- Hariharpur Apc- 27°16'56.4"N 084°14'15.4"E Raghia R-07 N-27°24'40" E-84°09'60" Manguraha (Dumuhan APC) N-27°20'14.4" E-84°28'25.0" Gobardhana (Sonvarsha APC) N-27°18'50.8" E-84°21'46.9"	7	4.15	29.05	Rhinos and Elephants from Nepal: Chitwan & Parsa NP often stray in to the Indian side leading to man-elephant conflict and loss of life and property. Elephants have to be guided back into Nepal using extra man force and additional resources. The elephant stray out incidents have become regular every year and the frequency is increasing. Tiger straying out incidents have also increased.
4	Day to day monitoring of wild animals; Procurement of Camera Traps with required accessories at Rs. 22000/- per Camera trap * 22000*150	16.1.4	11.4.1.1		100		20.00	0.00		150	0.22	33.00	For Tiger estimation/ monitoring. For better monitoring of other co-predators and wild animals.
5	30 Compass(@7000), 150 camera trap cases with lock(@500), 10000 Batteries for camera trap(@22.00) ; 15 Range Finder (@18000); 45 Mobile sets (@15000) Hard Disk, SD cards etc @ LS 50000	16.1.4	11.4.1.1		Compass - 12 Camera Trap- 70 Batteries- 400 Range Finder- 06 Mobile 20		19.50	0.00		Compass - 30 Camera Trap case- 150 Batteries- 5000 Range Finder- 15 Mobile Set- 50 Hard Disk, SD Cards	15.80	15.80	For Tiger estimation/ monitoring. For better monitoring of other co-predators and wild animals.
6	Provision for annual insurance premium for field staff (548 Person) Per person Rs. 330/- * 330.000 = 180940.000	16.8.2	11.4.5		548		1.81	1.61		Disk, SD Cards	330.00	1.81	Under Pradhan Mantri Beema Yojana.


HEMANT SINGH
 Director General of Forests (Project Tiger)
 Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
 Government of India, New Delhi

S. No.	Item of work	Para No.			Previous Year Details				Current Year Proposal				Justification
		CSS-PT Guidelines	TCP	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical Target	Physical Achievement	Financial Target	Financial Achievement	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical Target	Unit Cost	Amount (Financial Target)	
7	Provision of Project Allowance to staff (all categories) of Project Tiger.	16.15	11.4.4		All Staff VTR	All Staff VTR	10.00	9.20		All Staff VTR		9.80	As per NTCA norms.
8	Provision for ration allowance for Antipoaching camp staffs for 37 camps of 5 person (only three months during the corona virus lock down period) at 860 p.m.	16.16.1	11.4		37	37	4.77	4.00		0	0.00	0.00	
9	Supply of field kit: Providing uniforms, Boots, stick, sweaters, etc. for the frontline (casual) staffs	16.16.4	11.4.1		548	548	21.92	0.00		548	0.05	27.40	These accessories are important for safety, sustenance and effective functioning of frontline staffs out in the field. The uniforms will give a team feeling among the casual staffs. Valmiki Tiger Reserve has huge vacancy of the permanent frontline staffs.
Sub Total (Non-Recurring) Core							118.10	18.31				160.88	
10	Skilled Man power for data processing at Dy. Director offices @ 30000/- per person. * 30000*2*12 =720000	16.2.28	4.7.2		3	2	10.08	8.76		2	0.20	4.80	The Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per the Government regulations. The office of the Field Director and Deputy Director is not provided with a regular permanent Computer Operator and the offices are under staffed due to severe vacancy.
11	Semi Skilled Man power for data processing at Forest Range level office @Rs. 12000/-	16.2.28	4.7.2		8	8	10.56	10.56		8	0.12	11.52	The Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per the Government regulations. The Forest Range Officers are not provided with a regular permanent staff for this purpose and this man power is very much required to handle the data of wildlife monitoring and MSTRIPES and for other regular record keeping to assist the Range Officers of Forests in their discharge of duties effectively. By providing this man power the ROFs will have more time to spend in the field and other essential regular activities.
12	Tiger Cell at Field Directorate-level. Wages- G.I.S. expert @Rs. 30000/-P.M.- 17000/-P.M.-	16.2.9	10.1		2	2	3.40	1.80		1	6.00	6.00	Tiger Cell will be established at Valmiki TR Field Directorate-level and will be equipped with Computer system, LCD projector, conferencing facility, etc. for better online monitoring of status, distribution of Tigers and compilation of MSTRIPES data and for analysis of other data collected from the field for effective and informed decision making.
13	Accessories and tiger cell Procurement of Hardware. Purchase of one Laptop 1.30 lakh and 1 Desktop 0.80 lakh + one colour printer for field director 0.32 lakh+ one Laptop 1.30 lakh for m-stripe	16.2.28	4.7.2		0	0	0.00	0.00		1	2.00	2.00	For on Field Downloading of Data, Collection, Analysis and Report generation Laptop is very much essential for M-Stripes Data.
14	For monitoring of wildlife- 2 Drones @ Rs. 4,00	16.2.29	10.1		1	0	3.50	0.00		1	4.00	4.00	Drones can be very effective in locating strayed wildlife and thus help in rescue operations.
15	Necessary Drugs, equipment & furniture for treatment of rescued/ captured/ injured animals, with transportation at Veterinary Centre and maintenance.	16.2.29	10.1				15.00	0.73		LS	10.00	10.00	Equipments needed for Dart Gun and to provide treatment to injured wildlife.
Sub Total													


HEMANT SINGH
 Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Project) (NSI)
 Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Forest Range Office
 Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
 Government of India, New Delhi

S. No.	Item of work	Para No.		Previous Year Details				Current Year Proposal			Justification		
		CSS-PT Guidelines	TCP	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical		Financial Achievement	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical Target	Unit Cost		Amount (Financial Target)	
					Target	Achievement							Target
6	Maintenance of vehicles. Field Parolling and Monitoring of Wild Animals(Gypsy, Jeep, Truck, Tractor, staff FourWheel Vehicle, etc.) at Rs 0.90 lakh	16.2.18	10.2.1 (C)		10		7.50	0.00		10	0.90	9.00	For the operation and Annual maintenance of the vehicles.
7	Maintenance of wireless tower station with power back up* 30000.000	16.2.8	10.2.1		5	0	1.50	0.00		8	0.30	2.40	For Annual maintenance and battery replacement for uninterrupted communication round the clock throughout the year.
8	Deployment of anti-poaching squads to man the 49 APCs: 4 Persons at each APC at Rs. 12000 per person per month.	16.1.2	10.3.2		37	37	195.36	136.23		49	0.48	282.24	To ensure vigilance and protection for round the year in thw APCs located in the reserve. Proposed monthly remuneration include EPF Contribution as per Government regulations.
9	Deployment of 35 camp labourers for patrolling, etc. Camp Labour at monthly emolument of Rs.12000/- PM	16.1.5	10.3.1 (e)		17	17	22.44	21.44		35	0.12	50.40	The camp labourers are required for maintaining different camping facilities of Valmiki TR. Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per Government regulations.
10	Engagement of labourers as fire watcher for 135 days during fire season to deal with such events per day Rs 22260/-	10.1.8	10.2.1		50	50	20.52	20.16		135 days	0.226	30.51	For annual maintenance and repair.
11	Maintenance of Motor Boats, country boats, hiring of boats for monsoon patrolling, Maintenance and mobility of of motorbikes etc. (mobility) (11 numbers) * 90000.000	16.1.20	10.2.1 (C)		9	0	5.40	0.00		11	0.90	9.90	To meet regular operation & Maintenance expenditure.
12	Maintenance of existing patrolling camps/chowkis. at 25000/- per chowki	16.1.4	103		15	0	3.00	0.00		25	0.25	6.25	Provision of solar light, drinking water facility, beddings, etc and annual upkeep & minor maintenance.
13	Maintenance of wireless network: Wages @ 12000 per *2 persons for round the clock at 17 centers.	10.1.8	10.2.1		17	17	44.88	34.86		17 station	0.12	48.96	For round the clock wireless operation for proper communication, three wireless operators have been deployed at each centre.
14	Maintenance of fire watch tower. Rs. 20000/- per watch tower	10.1.8	10.2.1		20	0	2.00	0.00		18	0.20	3.60	For annual maintenance and repair.
15	Maintenance of kuccha roads: Transect lines at Rs. 11000/- per transectline (wages with materials) (Total 126 Transect Lines)	16.2.3	10.2.1 (e)		150	74	15.00	7.40		126	0.11	13.86	Transect lines are necessary to facilitate movement of forest staffs to discharge their routine duty, to collect scientific data on wildlife and habitat. Many of the forest stretches are very dense and has no proper accessibility.
16	Monitoring of wild animals: Each team of Tiger Trackers of 5 member each at Rs. 12000/- per /month.	16.10.3	2.9.2		7.50	7.50	49.50	48.10		17 team	0.12	122.40	Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per Government regulations.
17	Engaging 2 Field Data Analyst-cum-wildlife expert one each in each of the 2 forest divisions for wildlife and their habitat monitoring in a scientific manner, at Rs. 38000/- per man - month	16.10.3	2.9.2		2	2	8.16	8.16		2	0.38	9.12	For monitoring the Prey-Predator dynamics, support the veterinarian in Scat analysis, for monitoring the Grasslands/ weed removed areas before and after the completion of work execution, monitoring the parameters of management of habitats, identifying the species distribution - spatial and temporal devising strategy for suitable habitat intervention at right place at right time, organising wildlife census regularly, etc. in a scientific manner. Lack of scientific inputs hinder informed decision making.


HEMANT SINGH
 Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Project Tiger)

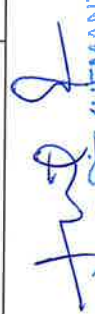
Director, Forests and Wildlife
 Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
 Government of India, New Delhi

S. No.	Item of work	Para No.		Previous Year Details				Current Year Proposal				Justification	
		CSS-PT Guidelines	TCP	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical Target	Physical Achievement	Financial Target	Financial Achievement	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical Target	Unit Cost		Amount (Financial Target)
	Ambulance for wild animal rescue with accessories				0	0	0.00	0.00		LS	23.00	23.00	Rescued wildlife is often injured so Ambulance with necessary equipment is must for Safe Transfer.
16	Wildlife Conservation Awareness 1. Wildlife Conservation Awareness: (1) 12 public awareness meetings at 3000/- Rs.36000/- and 4 nature camps at 10000/- Rs.40000 (2) Signages, Pamphlets, brochures etc at Rs. 3.74 lakh	16.6.3	11.4.1	Awarness-02 Camp-1 Signages, Pamphlets, brochure etc	Awarness-03 Nature Camp-1		3.85	0.19		Awarness-12 Nature Camp-4 Signages, Pamphlets, brochure etc	4.50	4.50	To inculcate and sensitize people from different walks of life on aspects of importance of wildlife/ forest conservation, especially children.
17	Essential staying facilities for Research Assistants	16.10.3	11.04.1				0.00	0.00	1. 27°18'28.26"N/84°31'46.79"E Manguraha 2. 27°19'34"N/84°18'37"E Gobardhana 3. 27°20'24"N/84°25'56"E	1	16.12	16.12	Field Biologist & Researcher are regular feature in VTR. Currently the reserve lacks any stay facility from where they can do their work.
18	Revision of Tiger Conservation Plan 2013-14 to 2022-23 for further ten years: Total estimate of 15.80 Lacs (as per approval)		B.6.1				5.00	0.00		LS	0.00	0.00	
19	Microplan Preparation of EDCs : (Hiring of Field Sociologist and Stationary) @ Rs. 30,000X2 per twelve months + Stationary & Miscellaneous Rs. 5.00 Lakhs)		C.6.3	Microplan Preparation			9.90	0.00		LS	9.90	9.90	Microplan Preparation of 60 EDCs across VTR
20	Study of Carrying Capacity of VTR & Zonal Master Plan & other studies.		B.7.3				2.00	0.00		LS	3.00	3.00	To comply the Court's order.
Sub Total (Non-Recurring Buffer)							63.29	22.04				94.84	
TOTAL (Non-Recurring)							181.39	40.36				255.72	
Core													
1	Deployment of home guards for 12 months @ Rs. 25000/- pm per home guard	16.1.11	10.3.1		60		186.00	135.97		0	0.00	0.00	
2	Deployment of local work force for regular patrolling, surveillance of tiger reserve, transboundary and water holes, etc. 24 patrolling teams of 5 member each @ Rs. 12000/- per person per month.	1.1.12	10.3.1	84			110.88	92.26		120	0.12	172.80	The proposed amount includes EPF contribution as per the Government regulation which is mandatory. Valmiki TR is functioning with severe vacancy of permanent frontline staffs.
3	Deployment of 19 Drivers for patrolling, at Rs. 14000/- P.M.	1.1.12	10.3.1	19			31.92	31.12		19	0.14	31.92	Proposed salary includes EPF contribution as per Government regulations.
4	Deployment of Barrier labour for manning the 35 barriers. at Rs. 12000/- pm	1.1.12	10.3.1	33			43.35	42.89		35	0.12	50.40	Proposed salary includes EPF contribution as per Government regulations. Manned barriers at selected places are important to check the smuggling of forest produce and wildlife articles.
5	Operation Monsoon ensuring special site protection practices measures during monsoon considering the terrain and accessibilities of protected area.	16.1.10	10.3.5	0	0		0.00	0.00		LS	5.00	5.00	Monsoon, Durgapuja, Holi, Local Temple festival & New year in are most vulnerable occasions. Special Patrolling will be organised during such special occasions to check illegal Collection of Forest Produce and poaching of Wild animals.


HEMANT SINGH
 Assistant Inspector General of Forests (P. Special Tiger)
 Assam Forest Department, Gauhati
 Assam

Name of Environmental Forestry Officer
 Date: _____
 Place: _____

S. No.	Item of work	Para No.		Location / GPS coordinates	Previous Year Details		Location / GPS coordinates	Current Year Proposal		Justification	
		CSS-PT Guidelines	TCP		Physical	Financial		Physical Target	Amount (Financial Target)		
					Target	Achievement		Target	Unit Cost		
18	Establishment of one Solar Water Pump for regular supply of water for grassland and wildlife @ 5.00 lac. Is.	16.3.4	4.2.1		1	0		1	5.00	In compartment no S-3/13 of Gobardhana Range.	
19	Grass land improvement/management at Rs. 15808 per hac.	16.3.4	4.2.1	N-5-2702602.9"N 8400133.8"E, (Harnatand)	125	25		0	0.00		
20	Uprooting of Phynix/Weed removal @ 15808/ ha.	16.3.4	4.2.1		100	100		0	0.00		
Sub Total (Recurring-Core)										853.76	
Buffer											
21	Maintenance of elephant handlers (Mahawat) 5 persons at Rs. 22500/- per person per month and Mahawat Assistant 5 persons at Rs. 17000/- per person per month. * 39500*5*12	16.1.16	10.3.6		5	5		For 5 elephant	0.3950	One elephant is at Madanpur range, for which this amount is required.	
22	Procurement of elephant feed and Medicines and health management expenses and other related accessories at Rs. 250000.00 PM per Elephant. * 5*12	16.1.16	10.3.6		5	0		5	0.25	elephant feed and Medicines and health management	
23	Maintenance of Elephant shed at Rs. 80000/- per shed.	16.1.16	10.3.6		3	0		3	0.80	Annual maintenance has to be carried out for elephant shed.	
24	Legal support for defending court cases. Investigation and forensic expenses * 500000.000 = 1000000.000	16.1.18	10.4		2	0		LS	1.00	For ensuring better conviction in Wildlife cases	
25	Rewards to informers. To create spy network in each of the two Forest Divisions in Vainmiki TR. * 500000.000 = 1000000.000	16.1.17	10.6.2 (vii (c))		2	1		LS	1.00	To create spy network for timely detection of Wildlife & Forest Crime and for regular intelligence gathering.	
26	Maintenance of torch/ batteries @ Rs. 500/- per unit * 500.000 = 1000000.000	16.1.6.6	11.04.1		L.S.	0		LS	1.00	For staff welfare as there is no electricity at most of locations	
Sub Total										44.10	
Total Liabilities 2021-22											
Total Recurring (Core+Buffer)											0.00
GRAND TOTAL (Recurring + Non-Recurring)											897.86
											1153.58


हेमंत सिंह/HEMANT SINGH
 सहायक वन महानिरीक्षक (बांध प्रयोजन)
 Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Project Tiger)
 पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग
 Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
 नई दिल्ली

(Rs. In Lakhs)

S. No	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1	Non Recurring (60%)	255.72	153.43
2	Recurring (50%)	897.86	448.93
	Total	1153.58	602.36

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Cost of APO including State's share	A	1153.58
Center's share in APO	B	602.36
Less: Unspent balance FY 2021-22	C	204.87
Balance amount to be released in current FY 2022-23	D	397.49


हेमन्त सिंह / HEMANT SINGH
सहायक वन महानिरीक्षक (शुद्ध परियोजना)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Project Tiger)
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
एन.एच. रोड, नई दिल्ली/एन
New Delhi