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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Project Tiger & Elephant Division

F.No. No. 4-1(68)/2024-PT&E

Dated: 27.11.2024

To,

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

Sub: Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Project Tiger & Elephant' Administrative Approval for funds release to Government of Bihar, during 2024-25 – 2nd installment – reg.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger & Elephant' in Bihar at the cost of **Rs. 1412.4859 Lakh (Rupees One Thousand Four Hundred Twelve Lakhs Forty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Only)** as per details given in the table at Annexure.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment and release of an amount of **Rs. 235.5461 Lakh (Rupees Two Hundred Thirty Five Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Six Hundred Ten Only)** as the 2nd instalment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Bihar during the current financial year 2024-25. 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. Interest accrued to be deposited in CFI before release of instalment.
- ii. Payments are made by bank transfer and no cash payment is to be made.
- iii. Proposed activities under APO should be undertaken as per approved Guidelines of PT and PE. The expenditure is incurred as per the allocation of funds
- iv. Funds for POL/ maintenance of vehicles would be admissible only for the vehicles purchased from CSS funds.
- v. GFR is followed by implementing agency alongwith the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- vi. Evidence of deposit of GST in case of contract payment and leviable goods are obtained along with UC and compliance of DBT scheme has to be ensured.



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- vii. In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI contributions of employees shall be obtained wherever applicable.
- viii. UC is to be submitted as prescribed in GFR 2017.
- ix. The programme be monitored by PD regularly and the progress Report be obtained periodically.
- x. Compensation for loss due to wildlife is to supplement the State Government fund as per the rules of State Government.
- xi. All relevant information and documents/certificates as required under GFR 209(I) have been received.
- xii. Terms and conditions of the service of the employees employed in the **Valmiki Tiger Reserve Bihar** under the Project Tiger & Elephant 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).
- xiii. 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.
- xiv. The **Government of Bihar** 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.
- xv. The accounts of the **Valmiki Tiger Reserve Bihar** 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.
- xvi. The accounts of the Project Tiger & Elephant 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.
- xvii. The Utilization Certificate against the earlier funds released under Grants-in-aid have been received and accepted by the competent authority.
- xviii. Government of **Bihar** in respect of **Valmiki Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report **on or before 31.03.2023**.
- xix. **Valmiki Tiger Reserve Bihar** will spend Grants-in-aid exclusively in pursuance of the objectives envisaged in rules/ memorandum of the Centrally Sponsored 'Project Tiger & Elephant Scheme' and for the purpose it is being sanctioned.
- xx. Grants-in-aid to **Government of Bihar** is subject to the Economy Instructions issued from time to time by the Ministry of Finance or by the Competent Authority.
- xxi. Grants-in-aid shall be utilized before the end of the current financial year 2024-25 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Bihar** to the **Govt. of India**.
- xxii. Government of **Bihar** in respect of **Valmiki Tiger Reserve** will maintain a separate account and will present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 230(5).
- xxiii. Grants-in-aid shall be utilized for **Valmiki 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 (**Valmiki Tiger Reserve**), **Government of Bihar**.


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- xxiv. 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).
- xxv. The expenditure should be limited to the amount released and in no case should be done in anticipation of further release by the Ministry.
- xxvi. The payments of daily wages should be done through DBT mode only (Rule 87 of GFR 2017).
- xxvii. 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.
- xxviii. 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.
- xxix. Approval of the competent authority be obtained and acceptance of UC may be ensured by PD.
- xxx. The expenditure is incurred as per the allocation of funds.
- xxxi. Funds will not be diverted for any item other than specified herein.
- xxxii. Funds to be spent only on items approved in Tiger Conservation Plan (TCP).
- xxxiii. Satellite photo with date and latitude and longitude nodes after completion of work depicting the work carried out before and after the work.
- xxxiv. 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.
- xxxv. 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.
- xxxvi. There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing schemes under CSS/CS/State Government Scheme.
- xxxvii. The sanction order must mention measurable physical parameters and all measurable parameters are to be adhered to.
- xxxviii. The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- xxxix. All guidelines under the project is to be followed scrupulously.
- xl. 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.
- xli. 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).
- xl. The guidelines of Project Tiger & Elephant Schemes are followed by **Valmiki 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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4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of **Bihar** 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.

5. 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.

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.


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 **Bihar** under intimation to this Department.

7. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 28 (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) under the following heads during the Financial Year 2024-25:

Component	Project Tiger	Project Elephant	Total
3601.06.101.02.05.31 GIA	133.6597	12.78	146.4397
3601.06.789.02.05.31 SCSP	44.55322	0.00	44.55322
3601.06.796.02.05.31 TSP.	44.55322	0.00	44.55322
Total	222.76614	12.78	235.54614

8. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Unique No. 330/IFD//2024 dated 26.11.2024. **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.**

10. Legacy data has been approved by Project Tiger & Elephant Division.


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11. The Interest accrued in SNA Account has been deposited in Consolidated Fund of India by State Government of Bihar.

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 Bihar. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2024-25 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
3. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Bihar.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Bihar.
5. The Field Director (s), Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar.
6. The Accountant General, Bihar.
7. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
8. The IGF, PT&E, MoEF&CC, New Delhi
9. The IGF/AIGF, NTCA Regional Office, Guwahati.
10. Forest Finance Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
11. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
12. Guard file/Spare copies.



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Annexure

**Annual Plan of Operation 2024-25
(2nd Installment)**

**Valmiki Tiger Reserve, Bihar
Project Tiger & Elephant:**

(Rs. In Lakhs)

S. No.	Subject	Contents	Project Tiger			Project Elephant			Grand Total of Revised Amount (PT & PE)
			Approved Amount (Rs. in lakh)	Revised Amount (Final Budget)	Increased Amount	Approved Amount (Rs. in lakh)	Revised Amount (Final Budget)	Increased Amount	
1	Total cost of APO	A	1029.5558	1359.7959	330.2401	20.18	52.69	32.51	1412.4859
2	Central Share in APO	B	537.1501	714.1073	176.9572	12.108	31.614	19.506	745.7213
3	Amount to be released in 1st installment (25% Central Share)	C=25% of B	134.287525	178.5268	44.2393	3.027	7.9035	4.8765	1412.4859
4	Less unspent balance of previous year	D	8.35826	8.35826	0.0000	2.811	2.811	0.00	11.16926
5	Net release as 1st instalment	E=C-D	125.929265	170.1686	44.2393	0.216	5.0925	4.8765	175.2611
6	Amount to be released in 2nd instalment (25% Central Share)	F =0.25*B	178.5268	178.5268			7.9035		1412.4859
7	Net 2nd release	G =		178.5268 + 44.2393 =222.7661			7.9035 +4.8765 =12.78		235.5461



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Project Tiger:**(Rs. In Lakhs)**

S.No.	Items	Sanction	(Rs. In Lakhs)	
			Central Assistance	State Share
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1	Non Recurring (60:40%)	342.0931	205.2559	136.8372
2	Recurring (60:40%)	1017.7028	508.8514	508.8514
	Total	1359.7959	714.1073	645.6886


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Additional Annual Plan of Operation as per Revised Estimate (RE) for Valmiki Tiger Reserve under Centrally Sponsored Scheme – Project Tiger and Elephant for 2024-25

Additional APO for Project TIGER (VALMIKI TIGER RESERVE)

S. No.	Item of work	Para No.		Current Year Proposal				Approved APO (Intreme Budget)		APO as per Revised Estimate (RE)		Justification
		CSS-PT Guidelines	TCP	Location / GPS coordinates	Physical Target	Unit Cost	Amount (Financial Target)	Physical Target	Amount	Physical Target	Amount	
NON-RECURRING COMPONENTS, Central: State (60:40)												
Core												
1	Procurement of wireless Equipments handsets to ensure connectivity in remote forest areas. i. Wireless Handsets with charger (Motorbo R2) @ Rs. 31270/- ii. Vehicle Base Set (XIRM 3688) @ Rs. 38940/-	16.1.7	16.2.1 (b)	To be used In Manguraha, Rahia and Gobardgana Ranges in division 1 and Chitaha, Haritard, Madanpur, Ganauli, and Valmiki Nagar Range in division 2	35 Handset	0.31270	16.7855	15 Handset	7.0269	20	9.7586	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.
					15 Base set	0.38940	06 Base set	9				


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2	Establishment of Anti Poaching camp (APC Camp) with chainlink fencing and solar power @ Rs. 19.31715 lakh per unit.	16.1.4	11.4.1.1	Division-2 Chitaha Range K-42 APC with 72.88 m Fencing GPS N 27°28'22.4" E 84°15'18" & Raghia Range R-39 Auraya APC with Fencing GPS N 27°31'87.50", E 84°22'96.39"	2	19.3172	38.6343	0	0.0000	2	38.6343	ACP camps are required in sensitive areas for keeping continuous vigil & monitoring of wildlife and forest crimes.
3	APC chainlink fencing for existing A.P.C. @ 5.71434 Lakh per unit. 1 unit = 100 running metres.	16.1.4	11.4.1.1	Division-1 Manguraha Range Bhatunjala S/64 100 mt GPS N 27°17'57.86"E84°38'27.10" Raghia Range Pandu nala 100 mt. GPS N 27°25'30"E84°13'47.73" Manchangwa 3" 100 mt. GPS N 27°20'8"E84°17'43.73"	6	5.71434	34.2860	6	34.2860	0	0.0000	Chain link fencing is needed to secure existing APC camps from wild animals to ensure safety of staff.
4	Redressing man-animal conflict: Cages and entrapments for capturing problematic and aberrant wild animals to meet the	16.10.1	5.4	Division-2 Valmikingar Range M/25 100 mt GPS N 27°20'19"E83°55'45" Ganouli Range T-09 100 mt. GPS N 27°23'46"E84°14'3" Chitaha Range 100 mt. GPS N 27°17'45"E84°13'40"	02 SS Tiger Trap Cage 02 SS leopard Trap Cage	3.50 1.50	12.6550	02 SS Tiger Trap Cage 02 SS leopard Trap Cage	12.6550	0	0.0000	Often times leopards take to cattle lifting. Tiger straying out incidents have also increased in recent times. Therefore sufficient number of cages need to be deployed to capture aberrant animals. Small mammals such as


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5	emergency situation of tiger and other wild animals stray out incidents: i. SS Squeeze cage for tiger @ Rs 4.5 Lakhs per unit ii. SS Trap cage for Tiger @ Rs. 3.5 lakh per unit. iii. SS Trap cage for Leopard @ 1.5 Lakhs per unit iv. Small mammal/Canine carry cage @ Rs. 0.1650 Lakhs per unit v. Crocodilian Transport Cage @ Rs. 0.50 Lakhs	16.7.1	9.1	To be used In Manguraha, Rahia and Gobardgana Ranges in division 1 and Chitaha, Haritard, Madanpur, Ganauli, and Valmiki Nagar Range in division 2	Cage		0.1650	0.50	10.6000	07 Small mammal/canine carry cage 03 Crocodilian Transport Cage	2.6500	30 Camera Traps 30 IR module.	7.9500	Flying squirrel, K-9 dog unit of VTR also need to be transported from time to time.
					40 camera Traps	10 Camera Traps								
6	Technical and logistics equipments for wildlife monitoring, surveillance and protection. i. GPS etrex 22X (@18200). ii. Night Vision Device (@80000) iii. Camera trap	16.1.4	11.4.1.1	To be used In Manguraha, Rahia and Gobardgana Ranges in division 1 and Chitaha, Haritard, Madanpur, Ganauli, and Valmiki Nagar Range in division 2	Cage		0.18200	0.80000	9.6060	8 GPS etrex 22x 3 Night Vision Device 50 camera trap cases	9.6060	-	0.0000	For Tiger and other carnivore estimation/ monitoring. For better monitoring of other co-predators and wild animals. For Tiger and other carnivore estimation/ monitoring. For better monitoring of other co-predators and handling problematic wild animals. For conducting regular anti-snare walks and temporary check nakas.
					8 GPS etrex 22x	3 Night Vision Device 50 camera trap cases								


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7	cases with lock (@1900), iv. Batteries for camera trap (@24) : v. Hard Disk (@ 6000) vi. SD cards/Pen Drives (@600) vii. Underground metal detector for anti snare-walk @ Rs.28500/- viii. Hand Metal Detector @ Rs.9000/-	16.1.4	10.2.8	Division-1 -50 Raghia R-59 27°17'2.15"N, 84°16'57.50"E, 27°16'55.55"N 84°16'56.12"E Gobardhana S-18 27°17'26.12"N 84°22'47.92"E, 27°17'20.97"N 84°22'44.63"E Division-2 -100 Ganouli Range T-07 GPS N-27.42139" E- 84.01444, Valmikinagar range T-34/38 GPS N- 27.40386 E-83.94091 and Madanpur range M-05, GPS: N - 27.19533 E- 84.00736	5000 Batteries 8 Hard Disk 20 SD cards/Pen Drives 8 UG Metal detector- 8 Hand Metal Detector	0.00024 0.06000 0.00600 0.28500 0.09000	15.3555	60	6.1422	90	9.2133	Necessary for forest boundary demarcation and check encroachment.
8	Provision for annual insurance premium for field staff (548 Person) Per person	16.8.2	11.4.5	Division-1 - 248	548	0.000330	1.8084	548	1.8084	0	0.0000	


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9	Rs. 330/- * 330.000 = 180840.000	16.15	11.4.4	Division-2 -300	VTR I Staff-Rs 8.832lakh VTR II Staff-Rs- 9.252 lakh F.D. Office=R s- 0.816 lakh	8.8320 9.2520 0.8160	18.9000	VTR I Staff-Rs 8.832lakh VTR II Staff-Rs- 9.252 lakh F.D. Office=Rs - 0.816 lakh	18.9000	0	0.0000	As per NTCA norms for officers and frontline forest staff provided with project allowance.
10	Supply of field kits to forest frontline staff: Uniforms, Socks, T-shirts, caps, Water bottles, Solar based LED Lantern etc. @ Rs. 5100 per Kit	16.16.4	11.4.1	PP 120. Drivers 20. Naka Guard 35. APC 196. Camp Labour 35. Wireless Operator. 38. Tiger Tracker 85. Comp Operator 9. Mahout/Asst mahout 10 are provided insurance coverage. Division-1 - 248 Division-2 -300	248 300	0.0510 0.0510	27.9480	190 300	24.9900	58 0	2.9580	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. Medical kit is provided for field staff. Additionally medical assistance will be provided to staff as and when required.


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11	Construction of new Pucca water hole @ Rs. 1,96,467/-each to meet water requirements of wildlife during pinch period.	16,12	Division-1 (4 unit) GPS Gobardhana S/19 N27°18'55"E84°22'36" S/03 N27°19'29.72"E 84°19'22.78" Raghia R/57 N27°17'34"E84°15'46" " Manguraha S/43 N27°19'31.94"E84°31'46.66"	7	1,9647	13,7527	3	5,8940	4	7,8587	VTR is having severe water shortage due to no perennial water body present in the forest area and sandy soil having low water retention capacity.
12	Maintenance and Upkeep of existing Water holes to meet water requirements of wildlife dependent on artificial water sources @ Rs. 20250 per water hole.		Division-2 (3 unit) Ganouli Range T-07 GPS N-27 42139"E-84.01444, Valmikinagar range T-34/38 GPS N-27.40386 E-83.94091 and Madanpur range M-05, GPS: N - 27.19533 E-84.00736	63	0,20250	12,7575	30	6,0750	33	6,6825	Water holes have to be regularly cleaned and refilled with fresh potable water. Some times the waterholes demands repair on account of damage by wild animals. During the lean season filling of waterholes through tractor drawn water tanker is carried out or laying pipe to fill them.
Sub Total (Non-Recurring) Core						213,089		130,034		83,055	


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Buffer													
13	Skilled Man power for data processing at Dy. Director offices @ 20000/- per person.	16.2.28	4.7.2	Division-1 and Division-2	2	0.20	4,8000	2	4,8000	0.0000	0.0	0.0000	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.
14	Skilled Man power for data processing at Forest Range level office @Rs. 14000/-	16.2.28	4.7.2	Division-1 (Manguraha, raghiya, and Gobardhana) and Division-2 (Chiuahana, Harnard-Ganauli, and Valmiki Nagar, Madanpur-)	8	0.14	13,4400	8	13,4400	0.0000	0	0.0000	The Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per the Government regulations. The Forest Range Offices 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 filed and other essential regular activities.
15	Tiger Cell at Field Directorate-level, Wages- G.I.S.	16.2.9	10.1	Tiger cell 2 person and building maintenance	2 person wages	0.20	6,8000	2 person wages	6,8000	0.0000	0	0.0000	Tiger Cell will be established at Valmiki TR Field Directorate-level and will be


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18	Necessary Drugs, equipment & furnitures for treatment of rescued/ captive/ injured animals, with transportation at Veterinary Centre and maintenance other equipments rescue Vehicles, cages and drugs @ Rs. 5 20707 Lakhs	16.2.29	10.1	Drugs, Equipments & Furnitures for rescued/captured/injured animals for each 1 unit in division 1 and Division 2	2 unit	5 2071	10.4141	2 unit	10.4141	0	0.0000	Equipments and accessories needed for Dart Gun and to provide treatment to injured wildlife and for collection and storage of samples, Post mortem disease surveillance and disposal of carcasses. Tranquilising drgs and equipment for animals during rescue operations.
19	Fostering ecotourism, publicity and extension:- Wildlife Conservation Awareness. i. One Day Excursion of School Children 30 students group @ 32250/- per trip ii. Wilderness Camps 30 students 2 days one night at 62000/- per tour iii. Signages @ Rs 18000 per unit. iv. Pamphlets, brochures @ Rs. 50 per unit	16.6.3	11.4.1	In division 1 and Division 2	One Day excursion -4 Wilderness Camps-2 Sinages-50 Pamphlets, brochure-800	0.3225 0.6200 0.1800 0.0005	11.9300	One Day excursion -4 Wilderness Camps-2 Sinages-20 Pamphlets, brochure-800	6.5300	Total 30 Signages @ 0.18/unit	5.4000	To inculcate and sensitize people from different walks of life on aspects of importance of wildlife/ forest conservation, especially children.
20	Essential staying facilities for Research Assistants	16.10.3	17.04.1			0.00	0.0000		0.0000	0	0.0000	Field Biologist & Researcher are regular feature in VTR. Currently the reserve lacks any stay facility from where they can do their work.


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21	Microplan Preparation of EDCs to ensure community participation in tiger conservation and exploration of alternative means of livelihood : Rs. 15000 per microplan per EDC	C.6.3	B.6.1	In division 1 Microplan for 6 EDC and Division 2 Microplan for 10 EDC	16	0.15000	2.4000	16	2.4000	0	0.0000	The EDCs can get financial support from government as well as raise funds through their own ventures if they have a approved and functional Microplan.
22	Co-existence agenda in buffer and fringe areas with landscape approach:- Providing small machines and equipment for income generation activity to EDCs. i. Bee Keeping per EDC @ Rs. 2.01350 Lakhs ii. Phoenix waste to fuel briquette making per EDC Rs. 6.46213 Lakh iii. Agarbatti making per EDC @ Rs. 0.94550 Lakh	C.6.3	C.6.3	Bee Keeping-2, Fuel briquette-1, Agarbatti-2 for Division 1	Bee Keeping Agarbatti -6	4.00000	38.5240	Bee Keeping Agarbatti -4	22.4160	Bee Keeping Agarbatti -2	4.0000	The biomass debris from habitat treatments like removal operation, grassland management and preventive fire treatment operations etc. In the buffer zone near villages may be provided to the villages under the auspices of the concerned EDC
				Bee Keeping-2, Fuel briquette-2, Agarbatti-2 for Division 2	Fuel briquette e--5	6.30800		Fuel briquette -3		Fuel briquette -2		
23	Basic health camp for the fringe villages @Rs. 50000/- per camp total camps	16.6.3	11.4.8	Division-1 and Division-2 Manguraha , Raghia, Gobardhana , Chitaha,Haritard, Madampur, Ganauli, and Valmiki Nagar	16	0.50	8.0000	8	4.0000	8	4.0000	Basic health camp for the fringe villages devoid of basic health services in order to garner support for conservation.


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4	Operation Monsoon and extra patrolling efforts on special days : Ensuring special site protection practices measures during monsoon considering the terrain and acclivities of protected area. Hiring of Tractor, distribution of Ration kits for patrolling teams, Khukhri, Fuel for vehicles. Camping equipments for Long Range patrolling teams. @ Rs. 5 087 Lakhs	16.1.10	10.3.5	Hiring of Tractor, distribution of Ration kits for patrolling teams, Khukhri, Fuel for vehicles, Camping equipments for Long Range patrolling teams. @ Rs. 5,087 Lakhs (For Division 1 and Division 2)	2	5.087	10.1740	2	10.1740	0	0.0000	Monsoon, Durga Pooja, Holi, local temple festival and New year eve 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 and to prevent forest fire.
5	Maintenance of vehicles Field Patrolling and Monitoring of Wild animals. 4WD Camper @ RS. 0.80 Lakh & Tractor @ Rs. 0.55 Lakhs	16.2.18	10.2.1 (C)	Maintenance of vehicles Field Patrolling and Monitoring of Wild animals in all ranges (4 campers 2 Tractors in division 1 and 5 campers 3 Tractors)	9campers	0.8	9.9500	9 campers	9.9500	0.0	0.0000	For the operation and Annual maintenance of the vehicles.
6	Maintenance and operation of wireless tower station with power backup @ Rs. 49000/- per tower	16.2.8	10.2.1	Division 1 and Division 2	11	0.49	5.3900	11	5.3900	0.0	0.0000	For Annual maintenance and battery replacement for uninterrupted communication round the clock throughout the year.


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7	Procurement of 4WD Patrolling vehicle-camper for radio collaring, monitoring of tigers & field movement of Veterinary Doctor.	16.2.17	10.2.1 (C)	Procurement of 4WD Patrolling vehicle for Division 1 and Division 2. Inflatable boat with accessories for patrolling during monsoon season in division 2	34.4797	43.3897	14.4632	2 - 4WD Patrolling vehicle	22.9864	A. Very much required for patrolling and monitoring collared individuals on 24x7 basis. B. A Veterinarian carries tranquilizing Guns and tranquilizing drugs with other necessary rescue equipments. A Field vehicle in also needed to move in tiger reserve while performing duties. Vehicle also needed for rescue purpose. Boat is required during monsoon season to monitor and rescue wildlife which occasionally get swept in river.
8	Deployment of anti-poaching squads to man the 49 APCs: 4 Persons at each APC at Rs. 12516/- per person per month, 1 semi skilled @ Rs.426 per mandar * 26= 11076+13 % EPF contribution= Rs. 12516 / Per person) for 12 months. 4x49x12 = 2352 Man months	16.1.2	10.3.2	Division 1- 24 APC + Division 2 - 25 APC total =49 APCs	0.12516	294.3763	294.3763	1 - 4WD Patrolling vehicle	0.0000	To ensure vigilance and protection for round the year in the APCs located in the reserve. Proposed monthly remuneration include EPF Contribution as per Government regulations.
9	Deployment of 35 camp labourers for establishing temporary camps, long range and joint border patrolling efforts. Camp Labour at monthly emolument of Rs. 12516/- Per person per month	16.1.5	10.3.1 (e)	Division 1 - 15 + Division 2 - 20 total = 35 camp labours	0.12516	52.5672	52.5672	3 - 4WD Patrolling vehicle	0.0000	The camp labourers are required for setting up temporary camp facilities of Valmiki TR. Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per Government regulations.


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10	Engagement of labourers as fire watcher for 45 days during fire season from 15th Feb to 31st March to deal with fire incidents. 5 person one team. @ 45x5x410 = Rs 92250/- per team.	10.1.8	10.2.1	16	0.92250	14.7600	16	14.7600	0	0.0000	The forest of VTR are prone to forest fire due to hilly terrain and uncontrolled burning on Nepal side. Labour force is required to check the incident of forest fire and to control it timely to save the forests & wildlife.
11	Maintenance and operation of small vehicles (boats, motorcycles) @ Rs. 29000 per unit per year. Boats @ Rs. 30500 per unit per year.	16.1.20	10.2.1 (c)	Motorcycle-26, Boats-2,	0.2900 0.3050	8.1500	Motorcycle-24, Boats-2,	7.5700	Motorcycle-02, 0	0.5800 0.0000	To meet regular operation & Maintenance expenditure of various motorcycles, boats and water tanker in the tiger reserve useful for habitat and protection works.
12	Maintenance of existing APC/patrolling camps/chowkis Pur. of Batteries and electricals, Utensils, Sleeping cots, White washing, Chairs etc. @ Rs. 45000 per APC.	16.1.4	103	33	0.45	18.0000	40	18.0000	0	0.0000	Provision of solar light, drinking water facility, beddings, etc and annual upkeep & minor maintenance.


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13	<p>Operation of Wireless network 24x7 via engagement of wireless operators. Minimum 2 persons round the clock at each station for 13 stations. 3 persons round the clock for 4 sensitive and remote stations. At Rs. 12516/- per person per month (semi skilled @ Rs.426 per mandar * 26= 11076+13 % EPF contribution= Rs. 12516 / Per person) for 12 months. 38x12 = 456 Man months</p>	10.1.8	10.2.1	Division 1- 8 station + Division 2 - 9 total = 17 station 2 persons round the clock at each station for 13 stations. 3 persons round the clock for 4 sensitive and remote stations	456	0.12516	57.0730	456	57.0730	0	0.0000	For round the clock wireless operation for proper communication, three wireless operators have been deployed at each centre.
14	<p>Maintenance of watch towers including fire watch towers in hilly areas which includes transport of men and material and scaffolding at high rise towers. Rs. 15000/- per watch tower General Repairing & White washing</p>	10.1.8	10.2.1	Division 1-5 watch tower + Division 2 - 12 total = 17	17	0.15	2.5500	17	2.5500	0	0.0000	For annual maintenance and repair.


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15	Maintenance of kuccha tracks/Transect lines in 2 km x 2 m width @ Rs 5248/- per transect line (Total 134 Transect Lines)	16.2.3	10.2.1 (e)	Division 1-60 + Division 2-74 total = 134	134	0.0525	7.0323	134	7.0323	0	0.0000	Transact 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	Deployment of local experienced trackers for monitoring and tracking of tigers moving inside as well as outside of Tiger Reserve : 17 teams of Tiger Trackers of 5 member each at Rs. 12516/- per person per month. 17x5x12 = 1020 man months	16.10.3	2.9.2	Division 1- 7 team + Division 2- 10 total = 17 team	1020	0.12516	106.3860	85	10.6386	765	95.7474	Proposed monthly remuneration includes EPF contribution as per Government regulations. The work performed is of skilled nature which includes operating MSTRIPEs, tracking wildlife, pug mark identification, deployment of camera traps and responding to tiger stray incidents. (demanded only for 10 months)
17	Procurement of Tractor with Water Tank and Pump for habitat management work and movement during monsoon period in remote areas of tiger reserve inaccessible by foot or general vehicles. i. Tractor 40 HP 4WD @ Rs. 8.95 Lakh ii. Water Tanker 10000 L with pump @ Rs. 2.50 Lakh.	16.2.17	10.2.1(C)	Division 1- Tractor-01, tanker-01 Division 2- Tractor-02, tanker-02 = Total 3 tractor + 3 tanker	Tractor-03, tanker-04	8.95	36.8500	Tractor-01, tanker-01	8.9500	Tractor-02, tanker-03	17.9000	Crucially required for various habitat related works like replenishing waterholes, maintenance of kuccha roads and movement in flood prone areas. Water tanker is also needed to supply drinking water to Anti poaching camps facing water scarcity in summer season.


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18	Engaging 2 Field Data Analyst-cum-Field biologist one each in each of the forest divisions for wildlife and their habitat monitoring in a scientific manner, at Rs. 39000/- per month. 2x12 = 24 Man months	16.10.3	2.9.2	Each in one division	24	0.39	9.3600	24	9.3600	0	0.0000	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.
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19	Establishment of Solar based deep borewells to ensure clean drinking water for wildlife in existing grassland and frontier forest staff @ 8.88755 per unit including fencing and pipeline.	16.3.4	4.2.1	Division-1 S-70 APC GPS: N-27° 16' 23.7" E- 84° 39' 41.0", S-27 Grassland N-27° 18' 51" E- 84° 25' 00" and Thori Beat Office GPS: N - 27° 19' 50.05" E- 84° 36' 39.25" Division-2 Ganouli Range T-07 GPS N-27 42' 139" E- 84.01444, Valmikinagar range T-34/38 GPS N-27.40386 E- 83.94091 and Madanpur range M-05, GPS: N - 27.19533 E- 84.00736	6	8.87550	53.2530	0	0.0000	6	53.2530	Since nearest water source is located far away and due to hilly terrain normal boring is not successful hence deep boring for year round availability of clean drinking water is required
Buffer												
Sub Total (Recurring - Core)												
20	Office expenditure upto field level range offices. @ Rs. 20000/- per office for 8 offices.	9.3		All Field office	8	0.20	1.6000	5	1.0000	3	0.6000	The fund is required for routine expenditure in running with various offices including printing of various registers, stationery items, report preparations, grassland journals.
21	Raising volunteer-based Primary Response Teams(PRTs) of 8	10.3.1		Division I: Manpur, Jambhali, Manguraha, Bajni, Jamunia and Sirsiya.	10 PRTs 1 Field kit	0.21232	5.1232	6 PRTs 1 Field kit	2.7739	4 PRTs 1 Field kit	2.3493	Raising volunteer PRT groups in high frequency HWC areas and villages:
Sub Total (Recurring - Core)												
203.9068												


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22	persons in high Human Wildlife Conflict affected villages by providing field kits to PRT members. i. Field kit includes T-Shirt, Cap, Whistle, Torch, Bag. @ Rs 21232/- per PRT ii. Exposure visits of PRT members to other PAs @ Rs. 150000/- for a group of 10 members including Train fare, fooding, lodging and local transport.	16.1.4	11.4.1.1	Division II: Jimri, Banwa kala, Valmikinagar, Gonauli	2 Exposure Visit	1.5	7	1 Exposure Visit	1 Exposure Visit	4.1125	Farmers protecting crop next to forest often come face to face with sloth bears, leopards and tigers. Machan towers will help them to guard crops at night from a safe distance.	
	MS machan Towers for farmers staying in agricultural field next to forest to reduce Human wildlife Conflict. @ Rs 0.58 per unit			Division:-1-11 unit Manguraha Range: SNo. (S/66- N270182" E84038'17", S/67- N2701536" E8403821", S/72- N2701314" E8404060", S/66- N2701642"E840375 0" S/72- N2701326"E840404 1") Raghia Range: 4No. (R/36- N2702059"E840146' , R/7- N2702432"E840953' , R/8 -N2702420" E8401011", R/58- N2701647"E840167') and Gobardhana Range 2No. (S/2- N2701915" E 8401919" S/24- N2701835"E840233	19	0.5875	11.1625	12	7.0500	7	4.1125	



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23	Legal support for defending court cases. Investigation and forensic expenses i. Forensic Analysis fee for WII @ Rs. 15000 per case. ii. Toxicology analysis from IVRI, Rae Bareilly @ Rs. 32000 per case.	16.1.16	10.3.6	Division 1 and Division 2:- Total (4+5) 09 Forensic Analysis (4+10) 14 Toxicology analysis	09 Forensic Analysis 14 Toxicology analysis	0.15 0.03	1.7980	0.5000	0	0.0000	Payments have to be made to various expert institutes for technical and legal opinion on forensic samples for ensuring better conviction in Wildlife cases.
24	Rewards to informers. To create spy network in each of the two Forest Divisions in	16.1.18	10.4	Division 1 and Division 2	As per the input	0.50	0.5000	As per the input	0.5000	0.5000	To create spy network for timely detection of Wildlife & Forest Crime and for regular intelligence gathering.

Revised item proposed during 2024-25 (Bihar)


(₹ in lakh)

Items of Work	Approved Amount	Revised Amount
Safety kits for field teams including items plastic stick, umbrella, search light, mount 40 Nos @ ₹0.042 lac each	0.84	1.68
Addressing man animal conflict situations: purchase of tranquilizer gun accessories, first aid kits and commonly used repellents loud sound crackers, bee sound, chilli based repellents, local improvised crackers launchers etc.	1.00	1.56
Hiring vehicle for movement of veterinarian to different districts under the jurisdiction and quick transfer of men and materials to conflict situations.	1.00	1.40
Signages boards at crucial locations for awareness generation and warning etc. (6x4 Ft retro reflective with MS Footing). 8 No @ ₹0.18 per unit	0.72	1.44
Basic First Aid kits for staff and Mahouts 10 No @ ₹0.04 lac each	0.20	0.40
12 months operational cost for management/operation of centre for 05 Mahouts @ 0.22 lac per month/ 05 Assistant Mahouts @ ₹0.18 lakh/month	9.60	24.00
12 months feed for 5 elephants	3.67	15.00
Camp labour for management elephant rescue centre 4 persons for 12 month	2.55	5.11
Maintenance of ponds & water tanks 3 No @ Rs.0.10 lac each	0.20	0.30
Maintenance of civil structures/elephant shed 9 No @ Rs.0.20 lac each	0.40	1.80
Total cost of APO including State Share	20.18	52.69
Central Share (60%)	12.108	31.614
1st instalment release (25% Central Share)	3.027	7.9035
Less unspent balance previous year (2023-24)	2.811	2.811
Net release 1st instalment after adjustment of unspent balance	0.216	5.0925
2nd instalment release (25% Central Share including remaining balance adjusted against 1st instalment)		12.78


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Revised item proposed during 2024-25 (Assam)

Items of Activities	(₹ in lakh)	Approved Amount	Revised Amount
Protection of Elephant			
Deployment of Mobile Anti Depredation Squad and Field Anti Depredation Squad (including hire charge of vehicle with cost of POL for 6 months each) 20 units @ ₹7.00 lac per unit		105.00	140.00
Construction of watch tower 6 No @ ₹16.00 lac each		90.00	96.00
Construction of anti-poaching camp at strategic location 6 No @ ₹20.00 lac each		80.00	120.00
Procurement of ammution for use in anti-depredation activities by the anti-depredation squad		10.00	10.00
Construction of patrolling path 25 km @ ₹3.00 lac per km		54.00	75.00
Rewards to informers, intelligences gathering and legal support		4.00	5.00
Elephant observation group on railway line for 6 months (15 No @ ₹0.09 lac each for 6 months)		8.10	8.10
Conservation and Development of Habitats & Corridors			
Removal of invasive species		5.00	10.00
Eliciting Public Co-operation including mitigation of man-elephant conflict			
Hiring of kunki elephant for scaring away wild elephants from crops and human habitation in problematic area		7.20	8.90
Purchase of standing crop 100 bighas @ ₹0.15 lac each (This initiative is going to compensate the farmers in the fringe areas of RFs and PAs immensely. The farmers shall be motivated not to resist free movement of the elephant herds through their crop field. As a result conflict will go down considerably. The Farmers will be able to harvest the remnant of the crop. This is proposed as a demonstrative scheme on a pilot basis to be implemented in four of the most effected districts namely Goalpara, Golaghat, Hojai and Sonitpur)		15.00	15.00
Providing logistic support to the public for anti-depredation measures 8 No @ ₹4.00 lac each		20.00	32.00
Improvement of Support Services including monitoring, research and training			
Conducting elephant census across elephant ranges of Assam		25.00	25.00
Publicity & awareness programme HEC prone Districts		25.00	25.00
Captive Elephant management and Welfare			
Veterinary support for conducting health camp for the captive elephant across the State 7 No @ ₹2.00 lac each		10.00	14.00
Monitoring of captive elephant		7.48	10.00
Total (Central Share and State Share)		465.78	594.00
Central Share (90% of the total amount)		419.202	534.60
Release 1st instalment (25%)		104.8005	133.65
Less unspent balance (2023-24)		35.92533	35.92533
Net release 1st instalment		68.87517	97.72467
2nd instalment release (25% Central Share including remaining balance adjusted against 1st instalment)			162.4995


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