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Project Tiger Division

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To,

The Sr. Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Environment & Forests,
New Delhi.

Sub: Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme 'Project Tiger' Administrative Approval for funds release to Dudhwa Tiger Reserve, Uttar Pradesh during 2014-15.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Dudhwa Tiger Reserve, Uttar Pradesh at the cost of **Rs. 431.52 Lakhs (Rupees Four hundred Thirty One lakhs and Fifty Two thousand only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 301.72 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and the **Government of Uttar Pradesh**. The remaining cost of the scheme will be treated as 100% Central Assistance by the Government of India.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment and release of an amount of **Rs. 175.292 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Seventy Five lakhs Twenty Nine thousand Two hundred only)** including of 10% flexi-fund to the State Government towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Uttar Pradesh during the current financial year 2014-15 (1/3rd of release made during the previous financial year). 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 2005, 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 **Dudhwa 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 208(6)(iv)(a).

- (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 Uttar Pradesh** 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 **Dudhwa Tiger Reserve** shall be audited by C&AG or by any person authorized by him on his behalf in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (DPC) Act, 1972 as amended from time to time.
- (vii) The accounts of the Project Tiger Scheme shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provision of C&AG (DPC) Act, 1972 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.
- (viii) The Utilisation Certificate against the earlier funds released under Grants-in-aid have been received and accepted by the competent authority.
- (ix) Government of Uttar Pradesh in respect of **Dudhwa Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report alongwith Utilisation Certificate in prescribed format on or before 31.7.2014.
- (x) **Dudhwa 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 Uttar Pradesh** 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 2014-15 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Uttar Pradesh** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiii) Government of Uttar Pradesh in respect of **Dudhwa Tiger Reserve** will maintain a separate account and will present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 209(xiii).
- (xiv) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized for **Dudhwa Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Ministry of Environment and Forests, acting through the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Dudhwa Tiger Reserve) and **Government of Uttar Pradesh**.
- (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.**

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of Uttar Pradesh is not required to furnish bond and sureties, in accordance with the Ministry of Finance O.M. No. 14(1)-EII(A)/64 dated 23.6.1965.

5. The payment sanctioned above is provisional and is subject to the adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure. Other terms and conditions of the payment are as under:

- (a) The grant is in accordance with the pattern of financial assistance approved by the Planning Commission and the Ministry of Finance.
- (b) The grant sanctioned is subject to the adjustment on the basis of the terms and conditions approving the scheme.

6. No deviation from the approved items of expenditure as enumerated in the annexure shall be made without prior concurrence of the Government of India. The guidelines for implementation of National Tiger Conservation Authority shall be fully adhered to. The Chief Wildlife Warden and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the State Government should be directed to ensure that the field works are in accordance with the Management Plan and the Annual Plan of Operation by the field inspections from time to time.

7. **The State is requested to resubmit a revised APO again, indicating items already approved for the year 2014-15, with physical and financial achievements of 2013-14, utilisation certificate and status of compliance of the tripartite MOU.**

8. **Further, Ministry of Finance, D/o of Expenditure, Plan Finance-II Division, vide O.M.No.55(5)/PF.II/2011 dated 06-01-2014, has introduced a flexi fund component within the Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) to achieve the following objectives:**

- i) **To provide flexibility to States to meet local needs and requirements within the overall objective of each programme or scheme;**
- ii) **To pilot innovations and improved efficiency within the overall objective of the scheme and its expected outcomes;**
- iii) **To undertake mitigation/restoration activities in case of natural calamities in the sector covered by the CSS.**

The flexi-fund will be utilized by the State Government as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, read with guidelines of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger in vogue, for utilisation in the tiger reserve.

9. 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 Uttar Pradesh under intimation to this Department.

10. The expenditure involved will be met from within the Sanctioned Budget Grants of Centrally Sponsored Project tiger Scheme under Demand No. 31, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Major Head 3601 – Grants-in-aid to the State Governments, 3601.02- Grants-in-aid for State Plan Scheme, 3601.02.659-Environmental Forestry and Wildlife – Wildlife Preservation, 3601.02.659.03- Project Tiger, 3601.02.659.03.00.31- Grants-in-aid for the year 2014-15 (Plan).

11. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 738/AS & FA dated 21.05.2014.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjay Kumar)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests (PT)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Uttar Pradesh. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2014-15 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh.

4. The Field Director, Dudhwa Tiger Reserve, Uttar Pradesh.
5. The Accountant General, Uttar Pradesh.
6. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
7. Forest Finance Division, MoEF, New Delhi.
8. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
9. Guard file/Spare copies.

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Assistant Inspector General of Forests (PT)

ANNEXURE**DUDHWA TIGER RESERVE, UTTAR PRADESH
ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE YEAR 2014-15****(Rs. in lakhs)**

S. No.	Description of works	Para No. of CSS-PT Guidelines	Location	Physical	Amount for 2014-15
DUDHWA TIGER RESERVE					
NON-RECURRING					
1	Posting of anti poaching squads/ PRD/ Home Guards with weapons a. Deployment of PRD/ Home guards along Nepal border b. Vehicle rent for patrolling with DPOL c. Logistic support	6.1.1	Entire division	7 team of 4 PRD Jawans	15.00
2	Camera trap batteries accessories etc 60 units	6.1.3	Entire division	130	1.00
3	Purchase of GPS	6.1.3	Entire division	10 GPS	1.50
4	Purchase of battery for inverters	6.1.4		10	1.50
5	Wages of Data Entry Operator	6.1.4	Division, HQ.	12 months	0.96
6	Project allowance for the office and staff working in the tiger reserve for 2014-15	6.2.22	Entire division		22.50
7	Deployment of ex military persons	6.2.23			
			Dudhwa range	10	30.00
			Belrayan range	10	
			Kishanpur range	10	
	Vehicles along with DPOL, other expenditure		Dudhwa, Belrayan and Kishanpur ranges	2	2.00
TOTAL NON RECURRING					74.46
RECURRING					
8	Artificial Salt licks to be provided at various places all over the reserve	6.2.3	All over the reserve	LS	0.50
9	Repair and maintenance of pumping sets and tankers	6.2.4.1	All over the reserve	LS	1.50
10	Expenditure on D.P.O.L. for fire protection (for patrolling and transport of fire crew, besides use of other machineries such as tractor and tankers for fire fighting)	6.2.5.1	All over the reserve		2.00
13	Cutting of woody growth, creepers and climbers, herbs, shrubs and grass. (The cut combustible material will be burn therein in close supervision before 15 th February.)	6.2.5.2			
			Guariphanta	23	25.21
			Bankati	35.5	
			Dudhwa	50	
			Sathiana	10	
			South Sonaripur	11.4	
			North Sonaripur	18.1	
			Kishanpur	12.8	
			Mailani	10	
			Guariphanta	25.65	
			Bankati	59.35	
			Dudhwa	60	

			Sathiana	20	
			South Sonaripur	22.85	
			Norht Sonaripur	68.4	
			Belrayen	138	
			Kishanpur	65.7	
			Mailani	85	
14	4 fire watcher including 2 PRD Jawans in each beat @ Rs. 3692/- p.m. (47 squads)	6.2.5.3	All over reserve	188	27.76
15	Special repair of wooden bridges on forest roads (detachable)	6.2.6.1	Kauaghatiya in Sathiana range	1 No.	2.00
16	Repair of existing pucca, kacchha and natural water holes along with repairing of boring and pumping sets including diesel for recharging water holes	6.2.6.2		40	5.00
17	Live Stock	6.2.8.2			
	Ration		Dudhwa & Salukapur	14	8.00
	Sugarcane			14	2.00
	Riding gear			4	1.00
	Veterinary care			14	2.00
	Special repair of Elephant sheds		Salukapur	2	1.00
			Dudhwa	2	1.00
18	Expenses on Mahouts and Characutters (12 in No. x 12 x 2600)		Expenses on Mahouts and Characutters (12 in No. x 12 x 3692)	12	5.31
19	Maintenance of motor vehicles	6.2.8.3			
	Car-1		Entire division		22.00
	Bolero Jeep-4				
	Gypsy-5				
	Jeep-5				
	Bolero campher-8				
	Minibus-1				
	Ambulance-1				
	Motorcycle -16				
	Tractor-4				
	Minitruck-2				
20	Compensation to dependants of persons killed by Tiger/Leopard / elephants	6.2.9	Entire division	LS	4.00
21	Office expenditure including furniture etc.	6.2.15	Entire division and FD Office	LS	2.00
22	Telephone and Fax machine expenditure	6.2.15	Entire division and FD Office	LS	0.60
23	Electricity Bills	6.2.15	Entire division	LS	5.00
24	Expenditure on court cases	6.2.16	Entire division	LS	2.00
25	Maintenance of wireless network (Entire division)/ including purchase of new batteries and accessories	6.2.17	All over the reserve	LS	3.00
26	Annual contract of base sets and hand sets maintenance	6.2.17	All over the reserve	LS	1.50
27	Maintenance of Rhino Re-Introduction Project	6.2.18			
	DPOL and maintenance of vehicles used in Rhino Monitoring		RRA, Salukapur	LS	1.00
	Maintenance of Battery & Energizer		RRA, Salukapur	LS	0.80
	Purchase of tool kits and battery		RRA, Salukapur	LS	1.00
	Wages of fence watchers @ Rs. 3692/- for 12 months for 19 fence watchers		RRA, Salukapur	19	8.42
28	Driver, Electrician, Mali, Khalasi, Room Attendants, Telephone Attendants for wild life related crime	6.2.19	Entire division	50	22.15

	information night Chaukidars etc. @ 3692/- p.m. for 12 months				
25	Boatman/ motorboat Operator 1 @ 3692/- p.m. for 12 months	6.2.19	Belrayan range	1	0.44
26	Wireless Operator 32 @ 3692/- p.m. for 12 months	6.2.19	Entire division	32	14.17
27	Protection watchers for 2014-15 i.e. 188 @ 3692/- per month for 4 month including PRD Jawans.	6.2.19	Entire division	188	27.76
28	Maintenance of Guns and Rifles and purchase of cartridges for guns.	6.2.20	All over the reserve	LS	0.60
29	Maintenance of motor boats and D.P.O.L. (1 Motor boat)	6.2.20	Belrayan range	LS	1.00
30	Man animal conflict	6.2.21			
	Salaries and wages of one biologist @ 0.30 lacs PM & one research fellow @ 0.18 lacs PM for rhino monitoring		Entire division	LS	5.76
	Salaries and wages of one veterinarian @ 0.30 pm and vehicle movement.		Entire division	LS	3.60
	Baiting and trapping effort during conflict		Entire division	LS	0.25
	Drug, anesthetic and accessories for chemical immobilization for two units		Entire division	LS	1.00
	Conduct PM investigation, lab examination and cause of death in region		Entire division	LS	0.25
31	Upkeeping maintenance of Rescue vehicle with DPOL and maintenance of Ambulance.	6.2.21	Entire division	LS	1.00
32	Purchase of medicine required for tranquilizing and other associated activities	6.2.21	Entire division	LS	0.50
33	Honorarium for Doctors working for the cause of man-animal conflict @ Rs. 1,000.00 per day.		Entire division		0.30
	TOTAL RECURRING				214.38
	ECO-DEVELOPMENT				
	Vaccination of cattle of the nearby village			4 Camps	2.00
	TOTAL ECO-DEVELOPMENT				2.00
	KATARNIAGHAT WILDLIFE DIVISION, BHARAICH				
	NON RECURRING				
1	Purchase of GPS Handset			10	1.50
2	Purchase of country boats @ 0.15 lac/boat			8	1.20
3	Special management for protection of the Gharial				
	Continuous monitoring with the help of two villagers Rs. 3120 x 12 x 2				0.75
	Motor boat, motor cycle, motor vehicle maintenance & DPOL			LS	2.00
	Construction of Jetties for monitoring of Mugger gharial & Dolphin in Gerwa river.			1	1.00
4	Man power support and Ex-army men	6.3.2	Entire division	LS	

	deployment				
	a. Deployment of Homeguards b. Vehicle rent for patrolling with DPOL c. Logistic support			30 home guard	30.00
	Park allowance due (year 2014-15) (Park allowance rate wide G.O. No. 15-3/2010-NTCA dated 27.10.2010)			0	16.89
	TOTAL NON RECURRING				53.34
	RECURRING				
5	Fire protection Expenditure on D.P.O.L. for patrolling and Transporting, including logistic support	6.3.2	Entire division	LS	2.00
6	Fire lines maintenance & control burring	6.3.2	All ranges	202 km.	4.50
7	Fire fighting squads	6.3.2			
	4 month (16 February to 31 March, 1 April to 15 June) @ Rs. 3692/- per month, in core area.			56	8.27
	4 month (16 February to 31 March, 1 April to 15 June) @ Rs. 3692/- per month, in buffer area.			32	4.72
8	Maintenance of motor vehicle (19) & Motor cycle (22) & DPOL	6.3.2 (13a)	Entire division	41	11.00
9	Assistance in legal matters	6.3.2			1.50
	Logistic support and medical assistance to field staff			LS	0.50
	Maintenance of guns & rifles @ Rs. 2000/- each			40	0.80
	Food & nutrients for supplementary works for pet elephants. Rs. @ 0.15 lac/- month			8 months	1.20
10	Patrolling in river Gerwa and Kaudiyala and Chhoti beli and Badi beli water area Maintenance of 3 Motor Boats & DPOL	6.3.2	Katerniaghat range	LS	3.50
11	Man-Animal conflict resolution	6.3.2			
	Carriage & fixing of cages			LS	1.25
	Post mortem & disposal of dead wild animals			LS	0.50
	Maintenance of iron cages @ Rs. 5,000/- cage			6	0.30
	Compensation (Human & animal killing, crop damage etc.)				3.00
	Honorarium for Doctors working for the cause of man-animal conflict @ Rs. 1,000 per day				0.40
12	Maintenance of wireless networks i. Annual maintenance contract ii. Wireless Handset iii. Wireless base and mobile sets maintenance	6.3.4.5	Entire division	LS	2.50
	Wages of 08 Wireless Operators @ Rs. 3692 per month per operator (12 months)	6.3.4.5		8	3.54
	Wages of 6 barrier worker @ 3692/- month (12 months)	6.3.4.5	Entire division	6	2.66
13	Monsoon Protection watcher (15 th June	6.3.2	Entire division	66	9.75

