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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
Project Tiger Division

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To,

**The Sr. 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 Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh during 2016-17.**

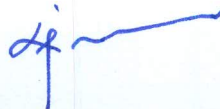
Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh at the cost of **Rs. 621.377 Lakhs (Rupees Six hundred Twenty One Lakhs Thirty Seven thousand Seven hundred only)** as per details given in the annexure. Of the total cost of the scheme, Rs. 461.04 lakhs being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and the **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. 257.28 lakhs (Rupees Two hundred Fifty Seven Lakhs Twenty Eight thousand only)** including of 10% flexi-fund to the State Government towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Chhattisgarh during the current financial year 2016-17. 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 **Achanakmar 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 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 **Achanakmar 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 Chhattisgarh in respect of **Achanakmar Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report alongwith Utilisation Certificate in prescribed format on or before 31.3.2017.
- (x) **Achanakmar 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 2016-17 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Chhattisgarh** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiii) Government of Chhattisgarh in respect of **Achanakmar 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 **Achanakmar Tiger Reserve** strictly as per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, acting through the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Field Director (Achanakmar 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 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) Payments are made by bank transfer and no cash payment is to be made.
- (xxii) GFR is followed by implementing agency alongwith the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.



- (xxiii) The UC with physical progress report and satellite photo with date and latitude-longitude coordinates before and after completion of work be obtained and uploaded on the website of the implementing agency as well as of the Ministry for public access.
- (xxiv) Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payment and CST in case of leviable goods are obtained along with UC and compliance of DBT scheme has to be ensured.
- (xxv) In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI of employees shall be furnished.
- (xxvi) UC is to be submitted as prescribed in GFR 19-A.
- (xxvii) 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.
- (xxviii) There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing schemes under CSS/CS/State Government Scheme.
- (xxix) The sanction order must mention measurable physical parameters and all measurable parameters are to be adhered to.
- (xxx) The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- (xxxi) A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by Central Government or G&AG.
- (xxxii) All guidelines under the project is to be followed scrupulously.
- (xxxiii) 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.

4. 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 23.6.1965.

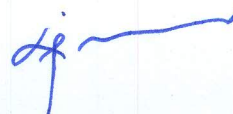
5. The payment sanctioned above is provisional and is subject to the adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure. Other terms and conditions of the payment are as under:

- (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 Tiger Conservation Plan and the Annual Plan of Operation by the field inspections from time to time.

7. **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.**

8. 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.

9. The expenditure involved will be met from within the Sanctioned Budget Grants of Centrally Sponsored Project tiger Scheme under Demand No. 27, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Major Head 3601 – Grants-in-aid to the State Governments, 3601.02- Grants for State Plan Scheme, 3601.02.659-Environmental Forestry and Wildlife – Wildlife Preservation, 3601.02.659.04-Integrated Development of Wild Life Habitats, 3601.02.659.04.03- Project Tiger, 3601.02.659.04.03.31- Grants-in-aid General for the year 2016-17 (Plan).

10. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 432/AS & FA dated 1.8.2016.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Sanjay Kumar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Chhattisgarh. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2016-17 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Chhattisgarh.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Chhattisgarh.
4. The Field Director, Achanakmar Tiger Reserve, Chhattisgarh.
5. The IGF, NTCA Regional Office, Nagpur.
6. The Accountant General, Chhattisgarh.
7. The Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New Delhi.
8. Forest Finance Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
9. Plan Finance Division (PF-II), Ministry of Finance, New Delhi.
10. Guard file/Spare copies.

  
(Sanjay Kumar)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (PT)



**ACHANAKMAR TIGER RESERVE, CHHATTISGARH  
ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE YEAR 2016-17**

(Rs. in lakhs)

**Non Recurring**

S. No.	Activity	Item	Para No. CSS PT Guidelines	Para No. TCP	Amount released PFY	Current Financial Year			GPS	Justification	
						No. of Items (Physical Target)	Specification / Description	Unit Price (Rs.)			Total (Financial Target)
1	Anti-Poaching	Establishing of wireless network	16.1.7	T.No. 106 P.324	0	20	Wireless handset and fixset 20 wireless @20000 it will cost 4,00,000	0.15	3.00	81 31'03" E TO 81 57" 13.18" E 22 38' 54.17" N	for better communication and Covering Buffer area for better communication,we are proposing 20 wireless handsets
2	Strengthening	hardware, software, manpower, training, gps.Separate them all	16.2.28	T No 111 P.329	8.00	1	Procurement of GPS/GPS mounted mobiles for real time field data collection and 50 Camera Traps for Phase-IV Monitoring and DGPS Survey to lay out Boundary and coupes in recently handed over Buffer, G.P.S. 14 @ 20000=200000 G.P.S mounted mobile 15@6000=90000, camera Traps 50 @18900=913850	13.15	13.15		For survey data collection and for better Phase-IV monitoring.Recently handed over buffer area to be correctly demarcated coupes lay out as per TCP Provision,purchase of toposheets & geo information layer,Doing field work and GPS Survey of Newly formed Buffer area and demarcation of coupes as per TCP Provisions
3	Addressing man animal conflict	Payment of compensation for cattle lifting, death of human beings and crop predation* due to wild animals.	16.4.1	Chapter No 5.4	0.00	1	Payment of compensation for cattle lifting,death of human beings and crop depredation due to wild animals.Buffer	2.00	2.00		To mitigate human wildlife Conflict last year compensation list attached Annexure - I
4	Tiger Safari	Establishment of Tiger Safari,interpretation and awareness centers under the existing component of co-occurrence agenda in buffer and fringe areas	16.22.1	Chapter 14	0.00	1	Establishment of interpretation and awareness centers under the existing component of co-occurrence agenda in buffer and fringe areas.	20.00	20.00		To generate awareness amongst public,children and representative,To optimise existing building infrastructure at Shivrari,for purchase of Digital display,Boards,3-D theatre,interactive software.
5	Staff Development	Specialized training in the use of Global Information System (GIS), anti-poaching operations.	16.8.3	Chapter 11.4	0.00	1	Specialized training 300 only in the use of Global Information System(GIS) anti-poaching operations.	1.00	1.00		To inculcate better understanding of work and nurture better work culture,empowerment of Staff in mordent investigationtechniques and Documentation,Training in the field of GIS for 300 Day/Expn.
6	Staff welfare	Provision for ration allowance to field staff	16.16.1	Gazette Notification	0.00	29	To provide food Grain allowance to Field Staff like Forester, Forest Guard, Forest Chowkidar and below	860.00	3.00		To provide better amenities to remotely located staff,food grain,field staff,forester,forest guard,van chowkidar allowance rate 860 per person

7	Eco-Development	To carry out prophylactic immunization of cattle in and around Tiger Reserve.	4.5.1	Chapter No. 5	0.00	1	To carry out prophylactic immunization of cattle in and around Tiger Reserve.	1.50	1.50	For better wildlife health and management, cattle list core, bugger and adjoining area per Animal @50. List attached, Annexure -II
8	Anti-Poaching	Procurement of vehicles (boats, motorbikes, mobility, Gypsy, Jeep, Truck, Tractor,) (patrolling vehicles against condemnation)	16.1.19	table no. 74 Page no	0.00	20	20 no. of Wireless handsets and installation 20@15000=300000	0.15	3.00	For better communication and supplementing existing network, 20 wireless handsets @ of 20,000= 4,00,000
9	Staff Development	Specialized training in the use of Global Information System (GIS), anti-poaching operations.	16.8.3	Chapter 11.4	0.00	1	Procurement of software	0.25	0.25	To inculcate better understanding of work and nurture better work culture, empowerment of Staff in mordent investigation techniques and Documentation, Training in the field of GIS for 300 Day/Expn.
						2	Procurement of Tablet	0.20	0.40	
						2	Procurement of Laptop	0.40	0.80	
						2	Procurement of Desktop	0.30	0.60	
						2	Procurement of colour printer	0.25	0.50	
						1	Procurement of photocopy machine	0.60	0.60	
10	Strengthening	Procurement of Geographical information System (GIS).	16.2.20	T.No.60 P.no. 449	0.00	1	complete estb. Of IT and GIS cell Computer-06 Laptop-10 Fax-01, Photocopy Machine-02, Scanner-02 and colour printer-02 Plotter-01 with accessories	6.00	6.00	For better management and analysis of field capture data on mobiles on realtime basis as per NTCA protocols, Comp-06, Scanner-02 laptop-10, colour printer-02 Fax-01, plotter-01 and photocopy machine 02 no.s
11	Strengthening	Procurement of satellite imageries, printing for management planning/ Tiger Conservation Plan	16.2.24	T.N.14.P 394,402	0.00	1	Revision of Management Plan (TCP) Dgps Survey to correctly digitize compartments, vegetation component	1.00	1.00	to revise TCP for betterment of Tiger Reserve by updating filed layers, Vide letter no F n 1-0/2012 NTCA date 24-9-2015 Achanakmar Tiger Reserve TCP Approved. Revision of Tiger conservation plan, field work and paper work along with reprinting of TCP Annexure-III
12	Research and field equipment	Day to day monitoring of wild animals	16.7.1	Chapter 9 P.N 319	0.00	1	24 no. gps @ Rs20000 for real time field data collection and procurement of 100 camera Traps and batteries, 20 G.P.S Mobile @6000=120000, and 100 camera @ 18900=1890000, batteries and others	24.90	24.90	as per NTCA phase 4 monitoring protocol and better survey and data collection by collating with various attribute data, 50 G.P.S mobile @40255=2012750, and 100 camera @18277=1827700, batteries and others
13	Staff Development	Dissemination workshops.	16.8.2	Chapter No. 8	0	1	Workshop seminar Wild Life Week.	1.50	1.50	To inculcate better understanding of work and nurture better work culture, workshop seminar wildlife 300/ day Number of trainees,
14	Staff Development	Providing project allowance and special incentives.	16.8.2	Chapter 10	0.00	1	Providing project allowance and special incentives. for exemplary workers/ staff.	12.00	12.00	As per NTCA Guideline we are provided Tiger Project allowance for To Motivate field staff towards better performance . .
15	Staff Development	Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other reserves.	16.8.5	Chapter No. 8	0.00	1	Study tours for appraisal of good practices in other TR like Bandipur in Karnataka, Sunderbans in West Bengal and other TR etc.	2.00	2.00	For Better understanding of good works done in other TR , Study tour detail Kanha field staff. Paidalgaurd. 40/, beriar guard, 30 foester 15, ranger 3 , assistant director 1, DD 1





											computer infrastructure and software
10	Strengthening	Procurement of vehicles	16.2.17	T. No 104 P. 322	0	1	Maintenance of Vehicles and P.O.L.	8.00	8.00		For Better Movement and vehicle optimization for effective super vision of managerial activities (1, GYpsy, 01 scorio, 01 Car, 3 bolore, 1 Ambulance, 3 canter, 01 tanker 26 moter cycle,
11	Addressing man animal	Maintenance of tranquilizing equipments and rescue vehicles. (Items will be in a dropdown)	16.4.6	C. 2.4 P. 38-39	0	1	Cattle/Human Killed by wild animals and Damages to crops	3.00	3.00		To Mitigate human animal confalict and pacifoy public unrest, (Previous finicial year 2015-16 expenditure cattle compansation 105 cases Amount 1723800 , Crops damage by elephant and wild animal 367 cases Amount 1358264.
12	Tiger Safari	Establishment of Tiger Safari, interpretation and awareness centers under the existing component of co-occurrence agenda in buffer and fringe areas	16.21.1	C. 8 P. 166	0	1	Protection and conservation related publicity materials, preparation of sign boards preparation of DPR, Documentary Films and training materials etc.	1.50	1.50		To Create general awareness and soliciting public support on conservation issues though effective training inputs
13	Anti-Poaching	Deployment of anti-poaching squads.	16.1.2	T. No. 74 P. 472	0	158	Employment of Local Force in 79 beats two person for 12 Month (Paidal Guard)	0.80	126.40		For Protection and effective Management As per NTCA Phase-IV Monitoring Protocol data capturing , Annexure -IV
14	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of vehicles ( boats, motorbikes, mobility)	16.1.20	C. No. 10.2 P. 342	0	20	Tiger Protection Force (TPF) Salary 20 Nos.	0.80	16.00		To prevent poaching activities, for other preventive Measures with special focus on tiger presence areas and continuously monitoring tigers movements
15	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of existing patrolling camps/chowkis.	16.1.4	T. No. 58-59 P. 448	0	70	Wages of casual workers (Semi Skilled)- chowkidar 13, Barrier Helper 52, Mahaut Helper 5	0.80	56.00		For Better Management of Tiger Reserve by Optimizing existing barriers, watch tower, elephant camps,
16	Anti-Poaching	Maintenance of wireless network.	16.1.8	T. No. 89 P. 494, 477	0	68	Wages of casual workers (Skilled) Wireless attendant 30, Driver 15, Mahaut 8, Office attendant 15.	0.80	54.40		For Better Management of Tiger Reserve by proper utilization of vehicles, wireless setup, offices and elephants
17	Anti-Poaching	Organizing surprise raids jointly with the local police (in railway stations, local trains, bus-stops, buses, catchers and cafeteria.)	16.1.9	T. No. 58 P. 449	0	4	Operation of 4 units each comprising of one ex-Army man/ Jawan/Gunman Supervisor 12000/- per month ( 1 Ex-Army man +5 daily wages labour/range)	5.04	20.16		To prevent poaching activities, for other preventive Measures including sudden raids and searches and checking of water bodies, bus stop, railway station, villages and traffic as well as long distance waking trails
18	Anti-Poaching	Rewards to informers.	16.1.17	C. No. 4.3 P. 87	0	1	Reward to informers	0.50	0.50		To Strenghten intelligence network
19	Strengthening	Maintenance of (patrolling camp, culverts).	16.2.1.2	C. No. 8.3	0	1	Maintenance of Camera Traps	0.50	0.50		AS per NTCA Phase -IV Monitoring Protocol camera traps maintenance
20	Strengthening	Maintenance of fire watch tower.	16.2.9	Table No. 57 Page No	0	1	Wages of Computer Operator 5. Rupees 12000 per month and Assistant Programmer one for Gis Cell Rupees 20000 per month as	9.60	9.60		Maintenance of old dams are very essential for wildlife for during pinch period



							per norms of Forest Dept., Govt. of C.G.			
21	Strengthening	Maintenance of road network.	16.2.4	Chapter No 9 Page No	0	1	Maintenance of Vehicles and P.O.L along with logistic for monitoring the process of phase IV monitoring exercise through out the year	3.00	3.00	To keep effective control and ensure timely operations of Different NTCA Monitoring Protocol and For Better Movement and updates as well as keeping proper checks on various habitat intervention activities
		<b>Total (Recurring):</b>							461.04	
<b>Total (Non-Recurring + Recurring):</b>									559.24	

**(Rs. In Lakhs)**

S. No.	Items	Sanction	Central Assistance
1	Non – Recurring (90:10)	98.20	58.92
2	Recurring – (90:10)	461.04	230.52
3	Eco-development (90:10)	--	--
4	<b>Total (x)</b>	<b>559.24</b>	<b>289.44</b>
5	10% Flexi-fund (x/9)	62.137	32.16
6	<b>Total (x)</b>	<b>621.377</b>	<b>321.60</b>
7	Adjustment of balance of previous year 2015-16	Nil	Nil
8	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>621.377</b>	<b>321.60</b>

**(Rs. In Lakhs)**

Cost of APO including State's share (including Flexi Fund)	A	621.377
Centre's share in APO (without Flexi Fund)	B	289.44
FF on Centre's share	C=B/9	32.16
Centre's share including FF	D=B+C	321.60
1 <sup>st</sup> release @ 80% of Centre's share	E=0.8*D	257.28
Less: Unspent balance FY 15-16 including amount to be adjusted due to revised funding pattern	F	Nil
Adjusted 1 <sup>st</sup> release including FF	G=E-F	257.28
2 <sup>nd</sup> release @ 20% of Centre's share	I=0.2*D	64.32
Total release towards APO in FY 16-17	J=(9/10)*(G+I)	289.44
Total release towards FF in FY 16-17	K=(1/10)*(G+I)	32.16
Grand total release in FY 16-17	L=G+I	321.60
Total effective release including USB	L+F	321.60
Effective release for APO activities	J+0.9*F	289.44
Effective release for FFs	K+0.1*F	32.16

\* Ecodevelopment 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 the tiger reserve and the local people.