

No. 4-1(30)/2020-PT
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Project Tiger Division

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Dated the 17th July, 2020

To,

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

Sub: **Centrally Sponsored Plan Scheme 'Project Tiger' Administrative Approval for funds release to Kali Tiger Reserve, Karnataka during 2020-21 –reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority to the continuance of the Scheme 'Project Tiger' in Kali Tiger Reserve, Karnataka at the cost of **Rs. 756.69 Lakhs (Rupees Seven hundred Fifty Six lakhs Sixty Nine thousand Only)** as per details given in the table at Annexure. Of the total cost of the Scheme, **Rs. 449.11 Lakhs (Rupees Four hundred Forty Nine lakhs Eleven thousand Only)** being the recurring cost of the scheme will be shared on 50:50 basis by the **Government of India** and **Government of Karnataka**. 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 Karnataka.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to the payment and release of an amount of **Rs. 118.565 lakhs (Rupees One hundred Eighteen lakhs Fifty Six thousand Five hundred Only)** as the 1st installment of Central Share towards the Grants-in-aid to Government of Karnataka during the current financial year 2020-21. The balance amount of the Central Assistance will be released in due course after a review of the progress of expenditure/work is undertaken.

3. The grants-in-aid will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in the memorandum of the Centrally Sponsored Project Tiger Scheme. The Grants-in-Aid is also subject to the Chapter 9 of the General Financial Rules 2017, as amended from time to time, read with the Government of India's decision incorporated there-under, and any other guidelines which may be issued in this regard, and in particular to the following conditions:-

- (i) All relevant information and documents/certificates as required under GFR 209(I) have been received.
- (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 **Kali Tiger Reserve** under the Project Tiger Scheme are not higher than those applicable to similar categories of employees of Central Government and where it is not in accordance with above, the relaxation



of Ministry of Finance have been obtained for such discrepancies as required under GFR 230(12)(I).

- (iv) Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Grants shall not be disposed off without obtaining the prior approval of the sanctioning authority of Grants-in-aid.
- (v) The **Government of Karnataka** 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 **Kali Tiger Reserve** shall be audited by C&AG or by any person authorized by him on his behalf in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (DPC) Act, 1971 as amended from time to time.
- (vii) The accounts of the Project Tiger Scheme shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provision of C&AG (DPC) Act, 1971 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.
- (viii) The Utilization Certificate against the earlier funds released under Grants-in-aid have been received and accepted by the competent authority.
- (ix) Government of Karnataka in respect of **Kali Tiger Reserve** may furnish their performance-cum-achievement report on or before 31.3.2021.
- (x) **Kali 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 Karnataka** 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 2020-21 and unspent balance, if any, will be refunded by **Government of Karnataka** to the **Govt. of India**.
- (xiii) Government of Karnataka in respect of **Kali Tiger Reserve** will maintain a separate account and will present their annual accounts in the standard format as required under GFR 230(5).
- (xiv) Grants-in-aid shall be utilized for **Kali 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 (**Kali Tiger Reserve**) and **Government of Karnataka**.
- (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) The expenditure is incurred as per the allocation of funds.
- (xxii) Payments are made by bank transfer and no cash payment is to be made.
- (xxiii) Funds for POL / maintenance of vehicles would be admissible only for the vehicles purchased from CSS funds.
- (xxiv) **Funds will not be diverted for any item other than specified herein.**
- (xxv) **Funds to be spent only on items approved in TCP.**



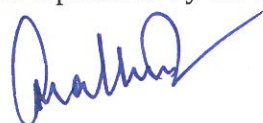
- (xxvi) Compensation for loss due to wildlife is to supplement the State Government fund as per the rules of State Government.
- (xxvii) GFR is followed by implementing agency alongwith the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- (xxviii) Satellite photo with date and latitude and longitude nodes after completion of work depicting the work carried out before and after the work.
- (xxix) Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payment and CST in case of leviabale goods are sent along with UC.
- (xxx) In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI contributions of employees shall be obtained wherever applicable.
- (xxxi) All measurable outcome of this grant must be mentioned in the sanction order and UC is to be submitted as prescribed in GFR 2017 – Form GFR 12-C.
- (xxxii) If the implementing agency does not use the fund for the purpose for which it was given, it has to refund the same with interest.
- (xxxiii) There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing schemes under CSS/CS/State Government Scheme.
- (xxxiv) The sanction order must mention measurable physical parameters and all measurable parameters are to be adhered to.
- (xxxv) The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- (xxxvi) A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by Central Government or C&AG.
- (xxxvii) All guidelines under the project is to be followed scrupulously.
- (xxxviii) The UC with physical progress report and satellite photo with physical deliverable with date and latitude – longitude coordinates before and after completion of work be obtained of each tiger reserve and uploaded on the website of the implementing agency as well as the Ministry for public access.
- (xxxix) The measurable outcome under the project (quantified) in terms of number of tigers in tiger reserve, eco-tourism in tiger reserve, %age decrease in man-animal conflict etc., may also be submitted in the progress report.
- (xl) All labour payments strictly by DBT.
- (xli) **All guidelines of Project Tiger Schemes are followed by concerned tiger reserve and Expenditure Evaluation Report on the expenditure incurred viz. proposed activities and result achieved may be furnished before release of 2nd installment.**

4. As the annual budget of the Scheme is approved by the Central Government, the Government of Karnataka 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 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 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.



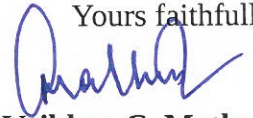
7. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Central Accounts Section, Reserve Bank of India, Nagpur, may kindly be advised to pass on credit to the books of the State Government of Karnataka under intimation to this Department.

8. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 25 (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) under the following heads during the Financial Year 2020-21 :

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger	3601.06.101.02.01.31 (Gen)	106.708
Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Project Tiger	3601.06.796.02.01.31 (TSP)	11.857
Total		118.565

9. This issues under the powers delegated to the Ministry and with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide Dy. No. 136951/AS&FA (PG) dated 13.07.2020.

Yours faithfully,

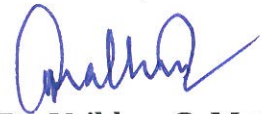


(Dr. Vaibhav C. Mathur)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (PT)

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary (Forests), Govt. of Karnataka. A copy of the detailed sanction letter issued by the State Government in respect of this scheme for 2020-21 may kindly be furnished to this Ministry immediately.
2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Karnataka.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests / Chief Wildlife Warden, Govt. of Karnataka.
4. The IGF, NTCA RO, Bengaluru.
5. The Field Director, Kali Tiger Reserve, Karnataka.
6. The Accountant General, Karnataka.
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.



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**KALI TIGER RESERVE, KARNATAKA
ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION 2020-21**

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item	Para No. of		Previous Year Approved APO				Current year proposal				Justification			
		CSS PT	TCP	Location	GPS Coordinates		Physical Achievement	Financial Achievement	Location	GPS Coordinates			Physical Target	Per Unit Cost	Financial Target
					Latitude	Longitude				Latitude	Longitude				
A	NON-RECURRING- CORE														
I	Tiger estimation (Phase-IV Monitoring)	16.2 (xiv)	9.3.4												
1	Conducting Training Workshops/data analysis workshops			KTR	-	LS	1.50	1.06	0.44	KTR	-	4 Nos	25000	1.00	
2	Transectline - Preparatory works			KTR	-	LS	0.60	0.10	0.50	KTR	-	LS	LRQ	0.60	
3	Android Mobile Handsets (for use in patrolling and ecological monitoring)			KTR	-	40 Nos	3.55	1.78	1.77	KTR	-	10 Nos	9000	0.90	
4	Purchase of Range finder (for line transect survey)						0.00	0.00	0.00	KTR	-	10 Nos	7500	0.75	
5	Engaging Research Biologists			KTR	-	1 Nos	3.72	3.10	0.62	KTR	-	1 Nos	32000	3.84	
II	Anti-Poaching														
1	Trap Cameras equipped with wireless transmission system	16.1 (xv)								KTR	-	5 Nos	26000	1.30	
2	Memory Card (8GB SDHC)									KTR	-	60 Nos	2000	1.20	
3	AA Batteries									KTR	-	400 Nos	30	0.12	
4	Purchase of Body cameras (for law enforcement)									KTR	-	5 Nos	20000	1.00	

2	Engaging of daily wage (PCP Wages) labourers from 01-04-2020 to 31-03-2021 (12 Months) on daily wages. Sanctioned wage rates per day per PCCF (HoFF) Bangalore Om No. B1/BUD/CR-32/2018-19 Dated: 10-03-2020. (Including EPF, ESI, Service Charge & Taxes) Literate Assistant - 4 Nos @ 589.08 perday Computer Operator - 12 Nos @ 589.08 perday/15316.07 per month Driver - 15 Nos @ 589.08 perday/15316.07 per month Wireless Operator - 9 Nos @ 589.08 perday/ Reception counter Asst - 2 Nos @ 589.08 perday/ 15316.07 per month Office Assistant - 3 Nos @ 589.08 perday/ 15316.07 per month Tourist guide - 2 Nos @ 495.49 perday/15316.07 per month Night Watchmen - 4 Nos @ 495.49 perday/ 12882.63 per month Cook - 2 Nos @ 495.49 perday/ 12882.63 per month Watchmen in Nature/Adventure camp - 12 Nos @ 495.49 perday / 12882.63 per month Watch & Ward / Watcher / Watchmen - 51 Nos @ 495.49 perday / 12882.63 per month	16.1	KTR All Wildlife Ranges	115 Nos	206.00	206.00	167.46	38.54	Bargadda Sulgeri Amboli Uvi Kadra Birkol Kadgarani S.Matakarni Bailemane Landa Castlerock Vaita Rangarook Kunniginni Cross Kuveshi Tadaki Gaudasada Kulgi Phansoli Gund Kumbawada Anshi Castlerock	14 56 31.2 14 55 43.7 15 01 21.1 14 59 51.3 14 54 45.4 14 57 08.0 15 01 03.6 15 02 13.9 14 54 05.8 15 02 11.0 15 28 36.6 15 29 36.0 15 23 21.6 15 20 09.0 15 19 11.5 15 25 23.8 15 09 56.5 15 09 44.5 15 04 03.8 15 07 35.1 14 59 34.4 15 24 18.9	74 18 15.3 74 29 55.2 74 28 04.3 74 31 16.3 74 21 31.9 74 31 51.2 74 29 23.5 74 24 27.9 74 26 11.7 74 18 18.2 74 18 15.5 74 21 15.4 74 20 41.2 74 20 05.2 74 23 09.2 74 17 02.2 74 38 07.3 74 36 35.3 74 32 51.7 74 24 12.8 74 22 10.7 74 19 36.5	20 Nos 12 Nos 5 Nos 5 Nos 8 Nos 6 Nos	CSSR CSSR CSSR CSSR CSSR CSSR	52.00 27.60 11.67 11.52 18.40 13.79	This is to meet the basic salary, ESI, EPF, service charge and taxes of daily wage labourers (including drivers) employed for the day to day functioning of the tiger reserve. The watchers thus employed are from the local communities. This helps to generate employment and provide much needed support for livelihood to families in these less developed areas. Since this helps in garnering support of local communities for tiger reserve administration it forms an indispensable part of conservation of forests and wildlife.		
4	Engaging of fire watchers from 01-04-2020 to 25-05-2020 (May month 22 days) wage rate per day 495.49 / 12882.62 per month as per PCCF (HoFF) Bangalore Om No. B1/BUD/CR-	16.1	KTR	10725 Mdays	42.90	42.90	42.90	0.00									

6	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Phansoi section, Qtr No. 3	Phansoi	15 09 38.8	74 36 38.9	1 Nos	18000	0.18	The quarters requires basic maintenance, repairs to roof, replacement of floor tiles and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
7	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - RFO Qtr No B-02	Gund	15 04 02.5	74 32 53.2	1 Nos	18000	0.18	0.50
8	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Gund Section Qtr No. C-3	Gund	15 04 04.4	74 32 49.8	1 Nos	18000	0.18	Old building that requires complete replacement of roof with metal rafters and provision of fresh tiles to roof and floor. Other general maintenance, repairs of foundation, wall and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
9	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Gund Section Qtr No. C-17	Gund	15 04 04.3	74 32 50.1	1 Nos	18000	0.18	Residential building that requires complete replacement of roof with metal rafters and provision of fresh roof tiles and floor tiles. Other general maintenance, repairs to walls and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
10	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Tammanige Section, Qtr No. C-18	Gund	15 04 02.5	74 32 53.2	1 Nos	18000	0.18	Old building that requires complete replacement of roof with metal rafters and provision of fresh tiles. Strengthening of walls, other general maintenance. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
11	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Kumbharwada beat	Kumbharwada	15 07 46.2	74 24 22.4	1 Nos	18000	0.18	Building requires complete replacement of roof with metal rafters and provision of fresh tiles to roof and floor. Other general maintenance, repairs of foundation, wall and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.

12	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Nujji Section	Nujji	15 03 31.2	74 20 39.1	1 Nos	18000	0.18	The quarters requires basic maintenance, repairs to roof, replacement of floor tiles and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
13	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - Forest Guard, Nujji beat	Nujji	15 03 30.9	74 20 38.1	1 Nos	18000	0.18	The quarters requires basic maintenance, repairs to roof, replacement of floor tiles and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
14	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - DRFO, Bargadde Section	Kadra	15 54 17.5	74 20 46.3	1 Nos	18000	0.18	The quarters was damaged due to flooding of Kali river during last year monsoon. Requires complete rework of electricals, plumbing, repairs to doors and windows and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
15	Maintenance/repairs to Frontline staff quarters - Forest Guard, Bargadde	Kadra	15 54 17.5	74 20 46.3	1 Nos	18000	0.18	The quarters was damaged due to flooding of Kali river during last year monsoon. Requires complete rework of electricals, plumbing, repairs to doors and windows and painting. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.
16	Maintenance of Residential Qtrs, Cook, Anshi Nature Camp	Anshi	15 00 31.2	74 23 10.0	1 Nos	18000	0.18	The quarters requires basic maintenance, painting and repair of roof. The old reapers are damaged and need to be replaced. The quarters is located within the nature camp and in view of the general public visiting the nature camp. It presently looks a dilapidated building. Maintenance of these quarters will improve the overall user experience of the visitors. The rate provided is based on PWD SSR 2018-19.

3	Maintenance/repairs to RFO office	Anshi	14 59 34.4	74 22 10.7	1 Nos	20000	0.20	Realigning of rooms, providing false ceiling, maintenance of roof, window and door repairs, change of tiles and general maintenance.
4	Maintenance/repairs of Vehicle Shed @Range Office	Castlerock	15 24 18.9	74 19 36.5	1 Nos	20000	0.20	To protect government vehicle from getting damaged by bad weather, especially from the heavy monsoon rains in castlerock.
5	Maintenance of office of Field Director KTR, Dandeli	Dandeli	15 14 30.9	74 37 09.5	1 Nos	20000	0.20	Improvement works including painting, installation of roof top solar, formation of road for exit, compound work, reconstruction of damaged vehicle shed and landscaping.
6	Maintenance/repairs of RFO Office	Kadra	15 54 17.5	74 20 46.3	1 Nos	20000	0.20	New range is created at Kadra. An old heritage office building presently without any maintenance for decades is being proposed for repair and maintenance to house the new office for Kadra range.
7	Maintenance of Forest Rest House/ Inspection Bungalows	Mandurli Gund Sulgeri Castlerock	15 08 56.2 15 03 29.0 14 54 55.8 15 24 02.8	74 33 59.7 74 33 29.0 74 29 29.1 74 19 20.2	1 Nos 1 Nos 1 Nos 1 Nos	15000 15000 15000 15000	0.15 0.15 0.15 0.15	The heritage buildings are to be maintained at regular intervals for their proper upkeep. Mandurli rest house requires solar power supply unit. Gund rest house requires complete removal and replacement of roof. Sulgeri requires repairs to windows, doors, roof, painting and providing new furniture. Castlerock rest house requires painting, roof repair and purchase of crockeries.
							411.65	
Total Rs. (R-Core)								
RECURRING- BUFFER								
1	Strengthening							
							16.8.1	16.8

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Subject	Contents	Amount (Rs in Lakh)
1.	Total cost of APO without Flexi fund	A	756.69
2.	Central share in APO	B	347.05
3.	Amount to be released in first installment (50% of centre share)	C=50% of B	173.525
4.	Less: Unspent balance of previous year	D	54.96
5.	Net release	E=C-D	118.565

* Eco development initiatives should be based on normative guidelines of the National Tiger Conservation Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India issued earlier based on village level, site specific, participatory micro plan with reciprocal commitment between Tiger Reserves and the local people.



