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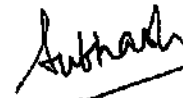
Dated: 20th September, 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Please find enclosed the minutes of the 24th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority held on 31.08.2023 under the chairmanship of the Director General of Forests & Special Secretary for information and necessary action.

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1. Minutes of the 24th Meeting



(Subhash Chandra)
Chief Executive Officer
National Authority.

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1. The Director General of Forests and Special Secretary, MoEF&CC, GoI
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4. Additional Director General of Forests (Wildlife), MoEF&CC, Member;
5. Additional Director General of Forests, NTCA, MoEF&CC, Member;
6. Mission Director, National Mission of Green India, MoEF&CC, Member;
7. Inspector General of Forests (FC Division), Member
8. Shri. Anil Kumar Ganeriwala, expert member of the Executive Committee
9. Shri Ashwani Kumar, expert member of the Executive Committee
10. Shri Girish Kuber, expert member of the Executive Committee
11. Shri Kailash Chandra Sharma, expert member of the Executive Committee
12. Concerned Head of Integrated Regional Offices of MoEF&CC (in hybrid mode)
13. Director, IIFM
14. The PCCFs & HoFFs, States of Bihar, Jharkhand, NCT of Delhi, Haryana, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Jammu and Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Meghalaya, Odisha, Sikkim, Tripura, Manipur and Uttarakhand.
15. The CEOs of States of Bihar, Jharkhand, NCT of Delhi, Haryana, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Jammu and Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Meghalaya, Odisha, Sikkim, Tripura, Ladakh, Manipur and Uttarakhand.

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1. The DIG (RT/ROHQ), MoEF&CC, GoI
2. Sr. Technical Director, NIC, MoEF&CC with request to arrange for video conferencing at the stipulated date and time for IROs.

THE MINUTES OF THE 24th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL AUTHORITY

The 24th Meeting of the Executive Committee (EC) of the National Authority was held in Krishna Conference Room, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi on 31st August, 2023 under the chairmanship of the Director General of Forests & Special Secretary (DGF&SS), MoEF&CC. The list of members and other participants who participated in the meeting is attached at **Annexure I**.

2. The proceedings of the meeting are given hereunder:

GENERAL DISCUSSION AND DIRECTIONS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

- 1) The CEO, National Authority and Member Secretary, Executive Committee welcomed the DGF&SS and Chairperson of the EC, and all the members and officers present in the meeting.
- 2) The DGF&SS welcomed the members and officers present in the meeting.
- 3) The CEO, National Authority informed that the provisional information about reconciliation of compensatory afforestation with respect to forest diversion proposals under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been received from 29 States and Union Territories. It is still awaited from 6 States and UTs namely Chandigarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Nagaland. However, the data has to be authenticated by the committee of concerned IRO, Nodal officer, FC and the CEO, State CAMPA.
- 4) The CEO, National Authority informed that a web portal is being developed for digital preparation of APOs under PARIVESH 2.0 which is in advanced stage and all efforts are being made to make it operational in next 3 months. A presentation on digital APO module was made by PARIVESH 2.0 development team in the meeting for inviting the comments, improvements, and suggestions. The committee and officers present suggested for need of training for DFOs and other field officials, preparation of manual and consultations with States to incorporate all suggestions and State specific requirements.
- 5) The CEO, National Authority further informed that the C&AG Audit of annual accounts of the year 2022-23 of the National Authority has been conducted in July, 2023. The audit team was also apprised about the action taken by the National Authority office in compliance of the shortcomings/ deficiencies mentioned by previous audit teams for the Annual Accounts of 2018-19 till 2021-22.
- 6) The National CAMPA organised a consultative workshop for preparation of indicative guidelines on estimates of Compensatory Afforestation for carrying out comprehensive ecological restoration of degraded forests and creation of new forests on non-forest land.
- 7) The DGF&SS emphasized the need of close supervision by PCCF & HoFF who are also the Chairperson of the State Executive Committee on all issues related to implementation, monitoring and accounting of expenditure related to CAMPA activities.
- 8) The DGF&SS urged PCCFs & HoFFs that the respective Chief Secretary should be apprised for convening regular meetings of the State Steering Committees for discharging

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of functions and duties of Steering Committees as provided in the CAF Act 2016. Regular meetings by the Chief Secretary will ensure timely release of funds and proper monitoring of CAMPA activities and regular Audits of accounts of State/UT CAMPA.

- 9) The CEO, National Authority informed the EC that in the recently held PCCFs conference at IIFM, Bhopal, many important issues related to effective implementation of CAMPA were discussed. PCCFs and HoFFs were requested for taking suitable action by in their States/UTs on following:
- (a) There are long delays in forwarding of States/UTs APOs to National Authority. It has been reiterated that States Authorities should prepare a perspective plan for implementation of CAMPA activities. The APOs should be sent to National CAMPA alongwith format of Integrated APO circulated for the purpose of holistic picture of forestry activities envisaged and funds available under various heads.
 - (b) The State CAMPA Authorities in most of the States are not functioning as statutory authorities in accordance with the provisions of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 and Rules, 2018. The State CEOs are frequently posted and transferred without gazette notification and notifying to the National Authority.
 - (c) There is an urgent need to strengthen State/UT CAMPA with adequate officers and professional manpower for carrying out the functions mandated in the Act.
 - (d) The meetings of Steering Committees of States and Union Territories are not convened timely which are required to be conducted at least once in three months as per the provisions of the Act for discharging the functions as detailed in Section 18 (1) of the CAF Act. There is no oversight of the Steering Committee on the process of timely preparation and forwarding of Annual plan of Operations to National CAMPA, timely release of CAMPA funds and monitoring of the progress of implementation of CAMPA activities. As a result, there is delay/non release of CAMPA funds to State Forest Department affecting implementation of afforestation activities. It is necessary that Steering Committee should regularly monitor and evaluate the works under CAMPA.
 - (e) The meetings of the Executive Committees of States are also not being organized as required in the CAF Act which are required to perform functions as detailed in Section 19(1) of the CAF Act.
 - (f) The States have been requested to complete the reconciliation of data on compensatory afforestation data with FCA project wise details on Compensatory Afforestation area, Penal Compensatory Afforestation area, forest protection, Integrated Wildlife Management Plan, Catchment Area Treatment Plan etc. vis a vis funds deposited by User Agencies as per the required format circulated by National Authority without delay. In this regard a Committee of IRO Nodal Officer FCA and CEO CAMPA has been constituted for reconciliation and verification of data on diversion of forest land and CA created since 1980. In case there is change in CA sites, approval of the Central Government should be obtained. It was further decided that the information needs to be compiled within next two months and same would be reviewed in October 2023 in the forthcoming PCCF Conference.
 - (g) There are long delays in release of CAMPA Funds by the state Governments to the State Forest departments which affects the implementation of Compensatory

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- Afforestation and other activities as per approved APOs. Chief Secretary and ACS/PS Finance should be regularly apprised for timely release of CAMPA funds.
- (h) The PCCF & HoFFs were requested to submit the information on the progress of Compensatory Afforestation to National Authority.
 - (i) Since, State CAMPA funds are non-lapsable and interest bearing, it has been noticed that many State Governments are not crediting interest amount on State CAMPA Fund, which is required as per the CAF Act. The interest amount is envisaged to meet increased cost of CAMPA activities in future and office expenditure of State Authority.
 - (j) The accounts of the State CAMPA have not been audited by C&AG till date in most of States/UTS. The regular audit by the C&AG also needs to be initiated by State CAMPA after sending annual accounts and requesting AG of the concerned State for expediting audit.
 - (k) Apart from this internal monitoring and third-party monitoring should be taken up by the States. The PCCF should closely coordinate with the State Government for timely release of the State CAMPA fund for implementation of the activities as per approved APOs.
- 10) The status of accounting and audit of State/UT CAMPA was discussed. It was informed that the accounting has to be on the formats prescribed by the C&AG office, which will be shared with the State/UT CAMPA by the National Authority.
- 11) It was noticed that multiple Chartered Accountants are engaged for audit of CAMPA account at State and division level. The AS&FA advised that only one CA for State CAMPA may be engaged who can also audit the accounts of various divisions. He asked CEO National CAMPA that for this purpose the necessary directions in consultation with Integrated Finance Department, MoEF&CC, New Delhi may be communicated to States.

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PART A: GENERAL

AGENDA ITEM NO 1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 23rd MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY:

The Executive Committee confirmed the minutes of the 23rd meeting of EC held on 30.06.2023.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON 23rd MEETING OF THE EC:

The CEO, NA, CAMPA presented the action taken report on the decision of the 23rd Executive Committee before the EC. The Action Taken Report on the decision of the 23rd meeting of the EC of the National Authority was perused and noted by the Executive Committee.

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PART B- APPROVAL OF STATES ANNUAL PLANS OF OPERATIONS 2023-2024

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF BIHAR STATE CAMPA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24:

1. Date of Receipt in National Authority : 08.08.2023
2. Date of approval of EC of State / UT : 05.07.2023
3. Date of approval of the Steering Committee : 18.07.2023
4. Total Amount / Outlay : Rs. 100.565 crores
5. Amount approved by National Authority : **Rs. 37.88 crore**
6. Fund status with the State/UT along with outlay proposed:

(Rs. in Crore)

S. No.	CAMPA Activity	Fund Available with the State / UT Actual Available Fund (Dt. 31.03.2023)	Outlay proposed
1	2	3	6
1	Mandatory Activity		
	CA/PCA/Additional CA	103.881	22.161
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	-	-
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	-	-
	Others	-	-
2	Net Present Value	22.130	58.631
3	Interest	39.577	17.667
4	Other Components	37.032	2.106
	Total	202.62	100.565

7. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

(Area in Ha)

Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted along with approved proposal for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 02.02.2023			Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022-23			Afforestation to be carried out 2023-24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total Balance upto 2024-25
(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)
6355.274	386.348	6741.622	5403.434	386.348	5789.782	507.070	91.10	443.970

8. Balance afforestation Status

(Area in Ha)

Balance Afforestation required as per FC Act (in ha)	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (In Ha)		
	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
951.84	507.87	200.00	243.97

9. Details of APO are as under:

(Rs. In Crore and Area in Ha.)

S.No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
1.	Site Specific activities as per Section 6(a) of the CAF Act, 2016				
	Mandatory Activity	Compensatory Afforestation			

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		i. Advance soil work	542.37 Ha	3.425	Approved
		ii. Nursery raising	0	0	
		iii. New plantation	1334.09 Ha, 121.24 Km.	12.508	Approved
		iv. Maintenance of existing / older plantation	1065.71 Ha, 217.80 Km.	6.227	Approved
		v. Spill over or/committed liabilities	0	0	
		Other (Site Specific activities in accordance with FC proposal)			
		i. Advance soil work	18.50 Ha.	0.045	Approved
		ii. New plantation	4.46 Ha, 5.42 Km	2.061	Approved
		Total site specific activities under CA	2965.13 Ha, 344.46 Km.	24.266	Approved
		* Note- Details as per FC/WLA proposals as Annexure			
2.	Activities as per Rule 5(2) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	5(2)b	AR			
		Maintenance	5095.67 ha, 1432.50 Km	28.680	Approved for Rs. 5.50 crores due to limited funds available under NPV component.
	5(2)g	Soil and moisture conservation works	10017.06 Ha. 1946 Structure	29.950	Not approved
	3. Activities as per Rule 6(a) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(a)iv	For disbursement of salary and allowances State CAMPA Authority & staff	0	0.370	Approved
		i. Infrastructure (Details in APO Page No.-3-4)	0	5.201	Not approved
		ii. SMC	2980.00 Ha, 949 structure	8.737	Approved for Rs. 4.40 crores
		iii. Maintenance	170.00 Km	2.38	Approved
		iv. Monitoring & Evaluation Work	0.00	0.55	Approved
4.	Activities as per Rule 6(b) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(b)i	Management of office establishment State CAMPA CEO with detail	As per APO/actuals	0.100	Approved
	6(b)ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance	As per APO/actuals	0.050	Approved
	6(b)iii	Hiring of staff cars for the use only for CEO office	As per APO/actuals	0.27	Approved
		Total Approved		Rs. 37.88 crore	

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the APO of Bihar as modified above for Rs. 37.88 crores and desired that next year APO should be submitted before 31 December 2023.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF NCT DELHI CAMPA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

1. Date of Receipt : 9.06.2023 & 23.06.2023
2. Date of approval of EC of State/UT : 10.04.2023
3. Date of approval of the Steering Committee : 06.06.2023
4. Total Amount/Outlay : Rs. 60.30 crore
5. Approved APO by National Authority : Rs. 47.15 crore
6. Funds status with the State/UT along with outlay proposed

(Rs. in crore)

S. No	CAMPA Activity	Fund Available with the State/UT as on 01.04.2023	Outlay proposed during current FY	Approved out lay during current FY
1.	Mandatory Activity			
	CA/PCA/Additional CA	94.85	33.12	Rs. 41.09 crore due to wrong calculation by State CAMPA
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	0.00	0.00	-
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	0.00	0.00	-
	Others	0.00	0.00	-
2.	Net Present Value	16.44	16.42	3.31
3.	Interest	10.77	10.76	2.35
4.	Other Components	0.00	0.00	-
	Total	122.06	60.30	46.75

7. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

(Area in Ha.)

Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted along with approved proposal for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 31.3.2022			Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022-23			Afforestation to be carried out 2023-24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total Balance upto 2024-25
(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)
257.28	0.97	258.25	274.77	0.97	275.74	45.17	94	45.17

8. Balance afforestation status

(Area in Ha)

Balance Afforestation required as per FC Act	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (in Ha)		
	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
45.17	45.17	-	-

9. Details of APO 2023-24

(Rs. in Crore and Area in Ha.)

S. No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
1.		Compensatory Afforestation			

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	Mandatory Activity	i. New plantation	45.17	12.33	Approved
		ii. Maintenance of existing /older plantation	163.32	20.80	
		iii. Spill over work/committed liabilities		1.26	Approved
		a. Creation of dwarf plantation (21-22)			
		b. Construction of boundary wall & other allied activities	-	6.70	
2.					
	5(2)a	ANR			
		i. New plantation	131.59	8.15	Not Approved
		ii. Maintenance	10	0.20	Approved
	5(2)g	Soil and moisture conservation works			
		Any other relevant activities			Not Approved
		a. Recharge pits as per Jal Tara scheme	5000 nos.	2.19	
		b. Water holes	20 nos.	0.20	
		ii. Spill over work/committed liabilities			
		a. Water bodies	03 nos.	1.5	
	5(2)k	Establishment and maintenance of animal rescue centre and veterinary treatment facilities for wild animals	-	1.62	Approved subject to furnishing approval from CZA.
3.					
	5(3)a	i. Spill over work/committed liabilities	01 nos.	0.05	Approved
		Construction of Polyhouse at KNR Nursery for modernization of nursery			
	5(3)c	Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology(Details of equipment & devices)			
		i. Others (motorcycles)	100	2.70	Rationalized to 50 numbers electric motorcycles at the cost of Rs. 0.70 crore for women forest guards as submitted before EC and agreed upon.
	5(3)d	Construction, upgradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest areas, watch towers, check posts and timber posts			
		i. Watch towers	01 nos.	0.15	Approved
		ii. Spill over work/committed liabilities			
		a. Watch tower at Shastri Park	01 nos.	0.08	Approved

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5(3)e	Construction of residential and official buildings for frontline staff (Beat Offices)	02	0.40	Approved
	i. Spill over work/committed liabilities	Nil	Nil	
5(3)f	Casual engagement of local people or labours to assist regular staff of State Forest Department (Animal Handlers)	08	0.31	Approved
5(3)g	Survey and mapping for APO making/preparation (hiring of staff for survey & mapping)	02	0.19	Not approved
5(3)h	Independent concurrent monitoring and Third party monitoring and evaluation			
	i. Independent concurrent monitoring	Nil	Nil	
	ii. Third party monitoring and evaluation	-	0.20	Approved
5(3)i	Publicity cum awareness programme			
	i. Publicity for common people	L/S	0.12	Not approved
	ii. Training for staff			
4.				
6(a)iv	For disbursement of salary and allowances State CAMPA Authority & staff	06	0.46	Approved
6(a)vi	Activities referred to in sub rule-(2) and (3) of Rule 5 (Development of tissue culture lab at Tughlakabad nursery)	01 nos	7.00	Approved for Rs. 1.46 crore only
5.				
6(b)ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance (Purchase of laptops)	08	0.8	Approved for Rs. 0.08 crore.
	Spill over activities			
	a. Purchase of TSM and DGPS	01 nos.	0.35	Approved
Total Approved			Rs. 47.15 crore	

Decision of the EC: The modified APO for Rs. 47.15 crore and the amounts approved by the EC. Above. The EC desired that next year APO should be submitted before 31 December 2023.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF HARYANA STATE CAMPA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

- 1 Date of Receipt **09.06.2023**
- 2 Date of approval of EC of State/UT **16.01.2023**
- 3 Date of approval of the Steering Committee **24.05.2023**
- 4 Total Amount/Outlay **: Rs 252.66 Crore**
- 5 Approved amount by National Authority **: Rs 49.43 Crore**
- 6 (i) Funds status with the State/UT along with outlay proposed

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

S. No.	CAMPA Activity	Funds Available with State/UT as on 01.04.2023	Outlay proposed	Amount approved by National CAMPA
1	Mandatory Activity			
	CA/PCA/Additional CA	375.86	150.92	
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	27.47	-	
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	0.00	-	
	Others	107.09	-	
2	Net Present Value	264.91	88.65	
3	Interest	23.88	13.09	
4	Other Components			
5	(Amount from HDFC Bank through E-Challan on 27.12.2022 & 18.01.2023)	31.00	-	
	P-01-06-2049-05-105-98-51-R-C (Interest on Compensatory Afforestation Fund)	136.19	-	
	Total	966.40	252.66	

6. ii) Committed liabilities/Spill over activities/works of previous years under CA & NPV till date

(Amount in Rs. crore)

Sr. No.	CAMPA activities	Details	Amount
1	CA	Pending Bill due to capping/Activities carry forward etc.	9.44
2	NPV	Pending Bill due to capping/Activities carry forward etc.	6.99
3	Interest	-	0.00
	Total		16.44

7. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

Sr. No.	Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted alongwith approved proposals for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 31.03.2023			Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022-23			Afforestation to be carried out 2023-24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total Balance upto 2024-25
	CA	PCA	(CA+PCA)	CA	PCA	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)

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1	2	3	4=2+3	5	6	7=5+6	8	9	10=4-(7+8)
1	15069.38	0.00	15069.38	13195.67	0.00	13195.67	1197.73	87.57%	675.98

8. Balance Afforestation Status

(Area in Ha.)

Sr. No.	Balance Afforestation required as per FC Act (in Ha.) as on 31.03.2022	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (in Ha.)		
		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
	1873.71	1197.73	675.98	-

9. Details of APO are as under:

Sr. No.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed Outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
1	Mandatory Activity	Site Specific activities as per Section 6(a) of the CAF Act, 2016			
		Compensatory Afforestation			
		iii. New Plantation	1197.73	111.58	Not Approved for want of site-wise information sought.
		iv. Maintenance of existing /older Plantation	6115.66	29.89	Approved as per actual and limited to proposed outlay. Further excluding the area which have not been approved by the central Government in accordance with FCA, 1980.
		Total Site specific activities under CA		141.47	
		Activity as per Rule 5(2) of CAF Rules, 2018			
	5.2.(a)	Assisted Natural Regeneration;			
		iii. Maintenance	1327.80	1.85	Approved
	5.2.(b)	Artificial Regeneration ; (including Maintenance)			
		iii. Maintenance	4696.80	15.19	Not Approved for new plantations. Maintenance for existing plantations may be done as per actual requirements after assessment by concerned CCF for an outlay of Rs. 2.00 crore. Details to be provided for reconsideration alongwith survival percentage of plantations.
		iv. Any other relevant activities (Enumeration of trees on strips)	-	12.87	Deferred

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Sr. No.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed Outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
	5.2.(g)	soil and moisture conservation works in the forest;			Not approved
		i. Water Bodies a. Crate Wire Structures/spur/abutment wall - 8.78 crore b. Pond - 0.60 crore c. Check Dams - 1.71 crore d. WHS - 4.70 crore e. CSMS/SDD/CC Stud - 4.16 Crore g. Vegetative Measures - 0.06 Crore Total : 20.00 Crores	-	20.00	
	5.2.(i)	Improvement of wildlife habitat as provided in the approved wildlife management plan or working plan;			Not approved
		i. Habitat management for flora and Fauna pertaining to a. Food - 0.10 Crore b. Cover - 0.96 Crore c. Water management - 2.23 Crore d. Weed removal - 1.10 Crore Total : 4.39 Crores	-	4.39	
		ii. Human wildlife conflict	-	-	
		iii. Protection activities a. Patrolling b. Prevention of Illicit felling c. Eco-development work in surrounding village to reduce conflict	-	-	
		iv. Any other relevant activities Vulture conservation and breeding centers - 5.61Crores	-	5.61	
3	Activities as per Rule 5(3) of the CAF Rule, 2018				
	5.3.(a)	establishment, up-gradation and maintenance of modern nurseries and other planting stock production facilities for production of quality planting materials;			Not approved

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Sr. No.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed Outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
		i. Detailed estimate nursery	-	20.00	Not approved
	5.3.(h)	independent concurrent monitoring and evaluation and third party monitoring of various works undertaken from State Fund;			
		i. Independent concurrent monitoring	-	-	
		ii. Third Party Monitoring and evaluation	-	0.75	Approved for Rs. 0.25 crores as per actuals
	5.3.(i)	Publicity-cum-awareness programme and exhibition on the various schemes being implemented by the State Authority from State Fund;			Not approved
		i. Publicity for common people	-	1.00	
	5.3.(j)	production and distribution of quality planting material through certified nurseries at subsidized price for promotion of trees outside forests on Government lands promoted by State Government;			Not approved
4	Activities as per Rule 6(a) of the CAF Rule, 2018				
	6.a.(i)	to offset the incremental cost of compensatory afforestation and penal compensatory afforestation at the increased wage rates;	1197.73	10.00	Not Approved for want of information sought
	6.a.(iv)	for disbursement of salary and allowances of members and staffs, both regular and contractual, of the State Authority;	-	1.94	Approved Rs. 1.00 crore as per actuals
5	Activities as per Rule 6(b) of the CAF Rule, 2018				
	6.b.(ii)	office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance for the State Authority;	-	1.15	Not approved
	Deferment of certain activities under APO 2022-23 to the next financial year (Left over/ spill over works).		-	16.44	Approved
	Total Approved		Rs. 49.43 crore		

Decision of the EC: The EC approves the APO of State of Haryana with modifications for an outlay of **Rs. 49.43 crore**. The AS&FA advised that the investment in the HDFC bank on State CAMPA fund should be produced during the next audit.

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AGENDA ITEM No.6: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF TAMIL NADU STATE CAMPA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

1. Date of Receipt : **7.07.2023**
2. Date of approval of EC of State/UT : **15.02.2023**
3. Date of approval of the Steering Committee : **19.06.2023**
4. Total Amount/Outlay : **Rs 42.1712 crores**
5. Approved amount by National Authority : **Rs 44.149 Crore***

Note* Approval of National Authority with modified outlays for compliance of Orders of Hon'ble Madras High Court

6. Funds status with the State/UT along with outlay proposed

While presenting APO 2023-24 before the Executive Committee, CEO National CAMPA informed that Hon'ble Madras High Court has passed the order on 08.08.2023 to provide funds for voluntary relocation of villages in Thengumarahada Village, District Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu, in the Mudumalai Tiger Reserve and an additional agenda is separately being tabled with the approval of chair during this 24th meeting of Executive Committee.

(Rs. in crores)

S.No	CAMPA Activity	Fund Available with the State/UT as on 01.04.2023	Outlay proposed during current FY
1.	Mandatory Activity		
	CA/PCA/Additional CA 3. 4.	25.9690	15.4000
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	0.3070	0.5980*
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	0.1580	0.0200
	Others		
2.	Net Present Value	41.0803	23.6958
3.	Interest	6.4855	1.3464
4.	Other Components	13.4710	1.1110
	Total	87.4718	42.1712*

Note: * Funds may be transferred from 'Others' head, since the User Agency has deposited the fund for CATP Activity.

** Amount proposed including Revalidation

7. Funds released by State Government during the FY

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Total Outlay of the APO	APO approved by National Authority during current financial year	Fund Released by State Government	Fund Utilised by State Authority
2018-19	8.6560	7.0000	7.0000	4.3550
2019-20	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.5648*
2020-21	75.980	66.622	0.0000	0.0000
2021-22	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
2022-23	67.9209	38.2200	38.2200	25.9476

Note: ** The fund was utilized for Compensatory Afforestation activities from the unspent balance amount available in the PD Account as per Government of India guidelines.

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8. Financial outlays/ Budgetary Support under various Schemes (amount spent)

(Rs. in crore)

Year	CSS		CAMPA		State Plan/ Scheme Fund under a relevant head		Any other scheme
	Name of the scheme	Expenditure/ Provisions	Name of the scheme	Expenditure/ Provisions	Name of the scheme	Expenditure/ Provisions	
2020 - 21	a. Implementation of Forest Fire Prevention & Management	1.67		Nil	Forest Fire Prevention & Mitigation	Nil	
	b. Integrated Wildlife Management Scheme	3.81		Nil		Nil	
	c. Project Tiger	21.57		Nil		Nil	
	d. Project Elephant	0.00		Nil	Asian Elephant Depredation & its Mitigation Measures	2.12	
2021 - 22	a. Implementation of Forest Fire Prevention & Management	Nil		Nil	Forest Fire Prevention & Mitigation	Nil	
	b. Integrated Wildlife Management Scheme	6.05		Nil			
	c. Project Tiger	26.71		Nil			
	d. Project Elephant	2.90		Nil	Asian Elephant Depredation & its Mitigation Measures	0.27	
2022 - 23	a. Implementation of Forest Fire Prevention & Management	4.0355			Forest Fire Prevention & Mitigation	1.88	
	b. Integrated Wildlife Management Scheme	2.71		0.36	Nil	Nil	
	c. Project Tiger	10.20		Nil	Nil	Nil	
	d. Project Elephant	1.92		Nil	Elephant Conservation scheme	1.26	
2023 - 24	a. Implementation of Forest Fire Prevention & Management	4.50		Nil	Forest Fire Prevention & Mitigation	APO under Progress	
	b. Integrated Wildlife Management Scheme	18.193		0.02	Nil	Nil	

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Year	CSS		CAMPA		State Plan/ Scheme Fund under a relevant head		Any other scheme
	Name of the scheme	Expenditure/ Provisions	Name of the scheme	Expenditure/ Provisions	Name of the scheme	Expenditure/ Provisions	
	c. Project Tiger	61.80		Nil	Nil	Nil	
d. Project Elephant	30.692		Nil	Elephant Conservation scheme	1.150		

9. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

(Area In Ha.)

Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted along with approved proposal for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 31.3.2022			Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022-23			Afforestation to be carried out 2023-24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total Balance up to 2024-25
(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)
4006.635		4006.635	3616.419		3616.419	132.580	90.26%	390.216

10. Balance Compensatory Afforestation status

(Area in Ha.)

Balance Afforestation required as per FC Act (in ha.)	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (in Ha)		
	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
390.216	132.580	116.108	116.108

11. Details of APO are as under

(Amount in Rs. Crore and Area in Ha.)

Sl. No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks	
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target		
I.						
	Mandatory Activity	Compensatory Afforestation				
		i. Advance soil work	Nil	Nil		
		ii. Nursery raising	100.989	1.118	Approved	
		iii. New plantation	113.820	4.536		
		iv. Maintenance of existing /older plantation	385.950	1.144		
		Catchment Area Treatment Plan				
		i. Watershed management			Approved subject to approved CAT Plan and furnishing the detail of activities along with kml files and photographs indicating the Geo coordinates of the site undertaken by Tamil Nadu State CAMPA.	
		ii. Plantation to check erosion	5.000	0.598		
			Integrated wildlife Management Plan			
			i. Habitat management for flora and fauna (Food/cover/water management)	20.000	0.02	Approved

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Sl. No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
		Other (Site Specific activities in accordance with FC proposal) including chain link fencing		3.33	Approved subject to furnishing the detail of activities along with kml files and photographs indicating the Geo coordinates of the site undertaken by Tamil Nadu State CAMPA.
		Total site specific activities under CA		10.746	
		* Note - Details as per FC proposals as Annexure			
2.					
	5(2)a	ANR			
		i. Advance soil work	Nil	Nil	
		ii. New plantation	90.95	1.100	Not approved due to non-availability of adequate fund under NPV component
		iii. Maintenance	574.00	0.979	Approved
		iv. Nursery raising	663.00	2.626	Not approved
	5(2)b	AR	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)c	Silvicultural Operations	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)d	Protection of Plantations and forests	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)e	Pest and disease control in forests			
		Site specific measures for controlling pest and disease as per report of Technical Agency	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)f	Forest fire prevention and control operations	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)g	Soil and moisture conservation works			
		i. Water bodies (Name & size)	32	3.90	Not approved
		a. Ponds b. Trenches c. Check dams d. Spur e. Retaining wall/Breast wall			
		ii. Any other relevant activities		0.05	
	5(2)h	Voluntary relocation of villages from protected areas	Nil	Nil	In compliance of the order of Hon'ble High Court Madras and as recommended by the Steering Committee of Tamil Nadu CAMPA, it has been decided to approve 80% of NPV amount available with Tamil Nadu State CAMPA which comes out Rs. 32 crores. [as per CAF Rules -5(2)(h)] the remaining amount as indicated in additional

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Sl. No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
					demand by State CAMPA in their revised APO 2023-24 can be explored to be met out by NTCA from CSS or State fund.
	5(2)i	i. Habitat management for flora and Fauna pertaining to a. Food b. Cover c. Water management d. Weed removal	619	2.353	Not approved due to non-availability of adequate fund under NPV component
		ii. Human wildlife conflict management	Nil	Nil	
		iii. Protection activities a. Patrolling b. Prevention of Illicit felling c. Eco-development work in surrounding village to reduce conflict	Nil	Nil	
		iv. Any other relevant activities (Working plan activity)	LS	1.147	Not approved due to non-availability of adequate fund under NPV component
	5(2)j	Planting and rejuvenation of forest cover on non-forest land falling in wildlife corridors	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)k	Establishment, maintenance of animal rescue centre and veterinary treatment facilities for wild animals	2 Nos	2.75	Not approved due to non-availability of adequate fund under NPV component
	5(2)l	Supply of wood saving, cooking appliances and other forest produce saving devices.	Nil	Nil	
	5(2)m	Management of biological diversity and biological resource	Nil	Nil	
3.					
	5(3)a	Establishment, Maintenance of modern nurseries	Nil	Nil	
	5(3)b	Promoting conservation, sustainable use and documentation of biological diversity	Nil	Nil	
	5(3)c	Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)	Nil	Nil	
	5(3)d	Construction, up gradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest areas, watch towers, check posts and timber posts			
		i. Details of roads			
		ii. Watch towers	5 Nos	1.00	
		iii. Check post	3 Nos	0.20	
		iv. Timber depot			

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Sl. No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
		v. Any other relevant activities (Forest outpost at coastal area and islands)	3 Nos	0.45	Not approved due to non-availability of adequate fund under NPV component
	5(3)e	Construction of residential and official buildings (Retiring room for ant poaching squad)	4	1.00	
	5(3)f	Casual engagement of local people or labours to assist regular staff of State Forest Department	Nil	Nil	
	5(3)g	Survey and mapping for APO monitoring	LS	0.3147	
	5(3)h	Independent 11 concurrent monitoring and Third party monitoring and evaluation			
		i. Independent concurrent monitoring	Nil	Nil	
		ii. Third party monitoring and evaluation	LS	0.34	
	5(3)i	Publicity cum awareness programme			
		i. Publicity for common people	45 Nos	0.225	
		ii. Training for staff	45 Nos	0.225	
	5(3)j	Production and distribution of quality planting material (A detailed plan)	Nil	Nil	
	5(3)k	Forest certification and development of certification standards by agency	Nil	Nil	
4.	Activities as per Rule 6(a) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(a)i	To offset incremental cost of CA/PCA at increased wage rate		0.274	Approved subject to FC project wise reconciliation of data
5.	Activities as per Rule 6(b) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(b)i	Management of office establishment State CAMPA CEO with detail			
	6(b)ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance	LS	0.15	Not approved
	6(b)iii	Hiring of staff cars for the use only for CEO office	Nil	0.15	Approved
	6(b)iv	Hiring of buildings on lease for office establishment and residences only for CEO	Nil	Nil	
	6(b)v	Other contingencies for management of State Authority	LS	0.23	Not approved
	6(b)vi	Any other activity for management of forests and wildlife with the approval of Steering Committee and included in the APO	LS	0.192	Not approved
		Total Approved		Rs. 44.15 crore	

Decision of the Executive Committee:

Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its order dated 8th August, 2023 in the matter of W.M.P (MD). No. 1962 of 2022 in WP(MD) Nos. 19771 & 23901 of 2018, 8222 & 19652 of 2020 filed by Thiru. S. Manoj Immanuel and others has passed following directions: -

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i) the respondents no. 104 and 105 to forthwith provide funds by releasing the same to the National Tiger Conservation Authority/103rd respondent, who in turn will release it to the fifth respondent/Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, State of Tamil Nadu, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of the copy of the Order.

(ii) the sum thereof shall be disbursed and the relocation carried out within a period of one month thereafter.

(iii) Call this matter on 10.10.2023 for reporting compliance.

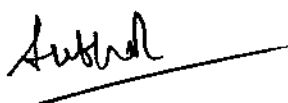
The Executive Committee of National CAMPA was informed about the orders dated 08.08.2023 of Hon'ble Madras High Court with directions to National CAMPA and State CAMPA for providing necessary funds to the State through NTCA for the purpose. The EC was apprised of the provisions of CAF Act & CAF Rules including those applicable for voluntary relocation of villages from protected areas.

The Executive Committee noted that the utilization of fund by the State CAMPA Tamil Nadu is very poor during 2019-20 to 2022-23. It is also observed that there is also delay in release of fund by the State Government to the State CAMPA/SFD despite the approval given by Executive Committee for the APO. The State Government has also not paid interest as per the provision of section 4 (5) & (6) of the CAF Act, 2016.

The Executive Committee discussed all the relevant sections and Rules and noted that CAMPA funds are special funds and there is no provision under Section 5. (b) (iii) of the Act for providing funds from National CAMPA Fund for relocation purpose since this provision already exist under other schemes like Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) of Project Tiger etc. and also the CAF Rule 5. (2) (h) provides for NPV funds of State CAMPA Fund for relocation of villages from Protected Areas. The AS&FA wanted to know from CEO, Tamil Nadu State CAMPA whether the State Government of Tamil Nadu has utilized fund allocated to them under the Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Project Tiger implemented by NTCA. While going through the details furnished by the State CAMPA in the APO, it was pointed out that the level of utilization by State under CSS is very low. State has not even informed whether they have incurred expenditure from relevant CSS of Project Tiger. It was also not clear whether the State has made demand to NTCA under CSS in the previous years for the purpose.

The CEO, National Authority informed that Tamil Nadu State CAMPA was requested to revisit their APO to provide funds for relocation as much as possible from State CAMPA. However, the revised APO 2023-24 received through e-mail on 30th August, 2023 (Evening) without mentioning the amount of NPV available with them for relocation of villages. Tamil Nadu State CAMPA has not been able to obtain amount of accrued interest to State CAMPA fund which would have enabled the Executive Committee to ascertain the actual State CAMPA fund under NPV component. The Executive Committee, therefore, approved the amount of Rs. 32 crores as per CAF rule 5(2) (h) out of available fund of Rs. 41.0803 crores under NPV component for the purpose of relocation of villages from Protected Areas.

In view of the above, the Executive Committee approved the APO of State CAMPA of Tamil Nadu after necessary modification as given against each item with total outlay of Rs. 44.149 crore including Rs. 32 crore for village relocation.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF TELANGANA STATE CAMPA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

- 1 Date of Receipt : 11.07.2023
- 2 Date of approval of EC of State / UT : 13.04.2023
- 3 Date of approval of the Steering Committee : 26.06.2023
- 4 Total amount /Outlay : Rs.462.684 Crore
- 5 Approved amount by National Authority : Rs 446.307 Crore
- 6 Funds status with the State / UT along with outlay proposed

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No	CAMPA Activity	Fund available with the State / UT as on 01.04.2023	Outlay proposed during 2023-24		
			New works	Spill over	Total
1	Mandatory Activity				
	CA/PCA/ Additional CA	1047.704	139.473	22.778	162.251
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	52.164	7.328	0.726	8.054
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	80.106	59.649	0.053	59.702
	Others				0.000
2	Net Present Value	577.174	162.900	0.000	162.900
3	Interest	511.920	13.000	56.777	69.777
4	Other Component	62.090	0.000	0.000	0.000
	Total	2331.158	382.350	80.334	462.684

7. Funds released by State Government during the Financial Year

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Total Outlay of the APO	APO approved by National Authority during current financial year	Fund released by State Government	Fund utilised by the State Authority
2018-19	253.00	237.38	237.38	213.19
2019-20	510.00	501.26	501.26	260.60
2020-21	603.00	483.78	352.07	378.35
2021-22	753.20	752.71	312.65	488.98
2022-23	819.24	772.65	268.48	430.55
Total	2938.44	2747.78	1671.84	1771.68

8. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

(Area in Ha)

Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted along with approved proposal for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 31.3.2023	Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022-23	Afforestation to be carried out 2023-24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total balance upto 2024-25
(CA) (PCA) (CA + PCA)	(CA) (PCA) (CA + PCA)	(CA + PCA)	(CA + PCA)	(CA + PCA)
35868.8785	27337.8535	918.781	76	7612.244

9. Balance Afforestation Status

(Area in Ha)

Balance Afforestation required as per FC Act (in Ha)	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (in Ha)			
	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	Work could not be taken up due to non-deposition of funds & non-handling over the land
8531.025	918.781	820.702	3869.652	2921.89

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10. Details of APO 2023-2 are given hereunder:

(Area in Ha & Rs. in Crore)

S. No	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Unit	Proposed outlay		Remarks	
				Phy. Target	Fin. Target		
1.	Site-specific activities as per Section 6(a) of the CAF Act, 2016						
		Compensatory Afforestation					
		i. Advance soil work	Ha	820.703	3.357	Approved	
		SMC works	Nos	108-PT,220-MPTS,2-Major PT'S,4658-RFDs,192-CDs,160708 Nos - SCTs	27.309	Approved	
		ii. a. Nursery raising	Nos	782256	1.989	Approved	
		ii. b. Nursery maintenance	Nos	1317836	2.084	Approved	
		iii. New plantation	Ha	918.771	8.258	Approved	
		iv. Maintenance of existing older plantation	Ha	18569.534	42.512	Approved	
		Protection of CA lands by fencing etc.	Km	3424 nos pillars,38 km fencing	24.189	Approved	
		Improvement of Forest & Wild life.		400 Ha cultural operations,1000 km fire lines creation,150 Ha weed removal etc	6.564	Approved	
		Improvement of Offices etc.		24 nos improvement of offices,admn expenditure etc	23.210	Approved	
		v. Spill over work/committed liabilities			22.778	Approved	
		Sub total			162.251		
		Catchment Area Treatment Plan					
	Mandatory Activity	i. Watershed management	Nos	1075-RFDs,116-MPT,62-PT,6001-SCT & 7-CD	3.916	Approved	
		ii. Plantation to check erosion	Km:Ha ^a	30Km Bund planting,70 Ha planting of Rare medicinal species local indigenous tree and shrub species	0.138	Approved	
		iii. Any other relevant activities					
		More rows can be inserted as subhead if needed to add different activities					
			Peripheral trench in Km	Km	35	0.678	Approved for Rs. 0.3 crore
			Rough Stone packing at canal passing through the hillocks.	Km	6	0.668	Approved for Rs. 0.3 crore
			Infrastructure			0.220	Approved
			Nursery	Nos	4	0.300	Approved
			FRO Quarter	Nos	1	0.100	Approved
			Vehicle hiring		1	0.020	Approved
			Creation of firelines in remnant block	Km		0.046	Not approved
			Firelines	Km	45	0.003	Not approved
			Maint of fire lines	Km	7	0.006	Approved
			Firefighting equipment	Nos	4	0.139	Approved for Rs. 0.10 crore
			Socio-economic component	Ls		0.200	Approved
		Administrative cost	Ls		0.344	Approved	
		Others	Ls		0.553	Not approved	
		iv. Spill over work/committed liabilities			0.726	Approved	
		Sub total			8.054		
		Integrated wildlife Management Plan					

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		i. Habitat management for flora and fauna (Food/cover/water management)			0.640	Approved
		Water Resources Managements & SMC Structures			0.683	Approved
		Creation of Fire Lines & maintenance of Fire Lines			0.035	Approved
		Strengthening protection			3.076	Approved
		Relocation of villages from core area of ATR			55.000	Approved
		Miscellaneous & Publicity, Awareness			0.215	Approved
		iv. Spill over work/committed liabilities			0.053	Approved
		Any Other (Site Specific activities in accordance with FC proposal)				
		Sub total			59.702	
		Total site specific activities under CA			230.007	
		* Note- Details as per FC/WLA proposals as Annexure				
2.	Activity as per Rule 5(2) of CAF Rules, 2018					
	5(2)a	ANR				
		i. Advance soil work	Ha	500.00 Ha of Gap Planting	1.295	Approved
		ii. New plantation	Ha/K M	975 Km raising of Bamboo Plantation,2180 Ha raising of Medicinal plantation & 1463.00 Ha raising of Gap planting in RF blocks & 225 ha raising of Gap Planting in Urban Blocks.557.125 Km Gacchakaya Plantation-Revisit & 31.710 Gacchakaya Plantation-New	16.059	Approved
		iii. Maintenance	Ha/K M	1903.01 km 1st year maint,1189.15 Km 2nd year maint of Bamboo Plantations,430.10 Ha 1st year maint,2519.00Ha 2nd year maint of Gap Planting,522 Ha 1st year maint of Gap planting in UB	7.429	Approved
		iv. Nursery raising	Nos	50000 Nos of Gacchakaya seedlings	0.022	Approved
		v. Any other relevant activities				
		Nursery maintenance	Nos	557125 Nos	2.610	Approved
		CPT	Km	25	0.375	Not approved
		Fire lines creation	Km	Creation-485.49 Km in RF Blocks	0.484	Not approved
		vi. Spill over work/committed liabilities				
					28.274	
	5(2)b	AR				
		i. Advance soil work		1000 Ha advance operations for 2024 planting	3.815	Approved

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		ii. New plantation	Ha	10 Ha BHA in Urban Blocks, 3433 Ha AR plantation, 42 Ha raising in UB	38.941	Approved
		iii. Maintenance		124 Ha 1st year maint of Plantation, 6666.14 Ha 1st year maint of AR plantation 5333.50 Ha 2nd year maint of plantations in RF Blocks & 419.24 Ha 1st year maint of plantation & 177 Ha 2nd year maint of plantations in UB	45.401	Approved
		iv. Nursery raising				
		Maint. of nursery	Nos	13701954	6.851	Approved
		v. Spill over work/committed liabilities			95.007	
	5(2)f	Forest fire prevention and control operations				
		ii. Fire watchers	Nos	45 Nos	0.753	Approved
					0.753	
	5(2)g	Soil and moisture conservation works				
		i. Water bodies (name & size)				
		a. Ponds				
		b. Trenches				
		c. Check dams				
		d. Spur				
		e. Retaining wall/Breast wall	Nos	97 nos percolation Tanks & 149 nos Mini percolation tanks	3.979	Approved
					3.979	
	5(2)i	Improvement of wildlife habitat				
		i. Habitat management for flora and Fauna pertaining to				
		a. Food				
		b. Cover				
		c. Water management				
		d. Weed removal				
		Grass land Management	Ha	400 Ha raising	1.975	Approved
		Maint. of Viewlines	Km	425.50 KM maintenance of view lines	0.417	Not approved
					7.597	
	5(2)k	Establishment and maintenance of animal rescue centre and veterinary treatment facilities for wild animals				
		i. Spill over work/committed liabilities				
					0.129	Approved subject to CZA approval
					135.739	
	3.	Activities as per Rule 5(3) of the CAF Rule, 2018				
	5(3)a	Establishment, Maintenance of modern nurseries				
		i. Detailed estimate of nursery		3.00 L Bps	1.060	Approved
	5(3)c	Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)				
		Maint. of Internet Connectivity-Green watch Updation & Broadband connectivity			1.300	Approved for Rs. 0.5 crore
	5(3)d	Construction, up gradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest areas, watch towers, check posts and timber posts				

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		v. Any other relevant activities				
		Firelines	Km	760.58 Km creation & 3318 Km maintenance	3.207	Not approved
		vi. Spill over work/committed liabilities				
	5(3)f	Casual engagement of local people or labours to assist regular staff of State Forest Department	Nos	150 Nos-Base camps & 4 nos boat parties ,	17.434	Approved for Rs. 10.0 crore
	5(3)g	Survey and mapping for APO making/preparation	Nos	Survey of notified & CA blocks	0.460	Not approved
	5(3)h	Independent concurrent monitoring and Third party, monitoring and evaluation				
		i. Independent concurrent monitoring				
		ii. Third party monitoring and evaluation			2.000	Approved for Rs. 1.0 crore
	5(3)i	Publicity cum awareness programme				
		ii. Training for staff		24 in campus, 13 off campus & 3 workshops on line	1.700	Approved
		Total of 20%			27.161	
		Total NPV			162.900	
	4.	Activities as per Rule 6(a) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(a)iv	For disbursement of salary and allowances State CAMPA Authority & staff		66 Nos	5.580	Approved
		i. Spill over work/committed liabilities			0.002	Approved
	6(a)v	For disbursement of sitting fees and allowances to nominated list of members			0.100	Approved
	6(a)vi	Activities referred to in sub rule-(2) and (3) of Rule 5				
		Left over nursery stock maintenance			3.343	Approved
		Spill over works of 2022-23 under 04-NPV			56.776	Approved
		Total of 60%			65.800	
	5.	Activities as per Rule 6 (b) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(b)i	Management of office establishment State CAMPA CEO			1.91	Approved
	6(b)ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance			0.500	Approved
	6(b)iii	Hiring of staff cars for the use only for CEO office			0.250	Approved
	6(b)v	Other contingencies for management of State Authority		Preparation of financial statements at Division level by Auditors, Preparation of financial statements of Telangana CAMPA by authorized CA Auditor & other contingencies of state authority	1.267	Approved for Rs. 0.50 crore
	6(b)vi	Any other activity for management of forests and wildlife with the approval of Steering Committee and included in the APO			0.050	Not approved
		Total of 40%			3.977	
		Total Interest			69.777	
		Total Approved			Rs. 446.30 crore	

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the APO of State of Telangana for Rs. 446.30 crore with modifications as above.

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PART C- APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL ANNUAL PLANS OF OPERATIONS OF STATES FOR 2023-2024

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.1: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF JAMMU & KASHMIR FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

(Area in ha. & Rs. in Crores)

S. No.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Fund Requirement of funds for 2023-24	Remarks
1	Site specific activities as per Section 6 (a) of the CAF Act,2016			
	Mandatory Activity	Compensatory Afforestation	0.833	Approved
		Additional CA	0.065	Approved
		Integrated wildlife Management Plan	0.87	Approved
		Total site specific activities under CA	1.77	
2	Activities as per Rule 5 (2) of CAF Rules, 2018			
	5 (2) a & b	ANR/AR	2.183	Approved
	5 (2) c	Silvicultural operations	0.030	Approved
	5 (2) d	Protection of Plantation and forests	3.03	Approved
	5 (2) f	Forest fire prevention and control operations	0.007	Approved
	5 (2) g	Soil and moisture conservation works	1.45	Approved
		Sub Total	6.69	
3	Activities as per Rule 5(3) of CAF Rules, 2018			
	5 (3) a	Establishment, Maintenance of modern nurseries	0.83	Approved
	5 (3) c	Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology	0.13	Approved
	5 (3) d	Construction, upgradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest areas, fire line, watch towers, check posts and timber posts	0.31	Approved
	5 (3) e	Construction of residential and official buildings	4.95	Approved
	5 (3) f	Casual engagement of local people or labourers to assist regular staff of State Forest Department	0.21	Approved
		Sub Total	6.42	
		Grand total of supplementary APO 2023-24	Rs. 14.88 crore*	

*Committed liabilities of previous year, spill over works not included in the original APO 2023-24.

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the Additional APO of State of Jammu and Kashmir for spill over works amounting to Rs. 14.88 crore.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 8.2: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF MADHYA PRADESH FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

Details of Additional APO are as under: -

(Area in ha. & Rs. in Crores)

S. No.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Physical(in ha.)	Financial outlay (Rs. in crores)	Remarks
1.	Mandatory Activity	Compensatory Afforestation	1534.82 ha	23.85	Approved
2.	5(2)i	Improvement of wildlife habitat		4.01	Approved
Total Approved			Rs. 27.86 crore		

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above APO of State of Madhya Pradesh.

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PART D- APPROVAL OF ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION 2023-2024 OF DEFERRED ITEMS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.1: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The PCCF & HoFF, Andhra Pradesh vide their letter No.10012/2022/CAMPA-I dated 07.07.2023 has submitted explanation/justification of deferred, partially approved & not approved activities in APO of financial year 2023-24.

The APO of Andhra was deliberated in 23rd meeting of Executive Committee of National Authority. The EC has approved an amount of **Rs. 227.82 crores** out of proposed outlay of **Rs. 258.91 crores** and some activities were deferred and partially approved.

Andhra Pradesh State Authority has submitted the details along with justification/clarification of deferred and partially approved activities for consideration of National Authority.

The details of deferred activities are given below;

(Area in Ha. & Rs. in Crores)

CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per order sanctioned circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
5 (3) (e)	Construction of residential & official buildings	5.02					
i	Residential quarters	2 new & 49 main.	1.63	Approved for new construction only	Approved for new construction only		Construction of new buildings only for Rs. 1.29 crores was already approved. It was decided that maintenance of the buildings constructed from CAMPA funds only will be allowed for maintenance after the details are provided by State CAMPA.
ii	Official buildings	3 new & 60 maintenance	2.36	Approved for new construction only	Approved for new construction only		
iii	Camping facilities	1 new & 51 maintenance	1.02	Approved for new construction only	Approved for new construction only		
5 (3) h	Independent concurrent monitoring and evaluation and third party monitoring of various works undertaken from State Fund						
	Chartered Accountant audit fee for audit of CAMPA funds in 50 Divisions was given under the head Independent concurrent monitoring		0.23	Not Approved	Not Approved	0.23	Approved: Rs 0.15 crore for engagement of the CA to be engaged by State CAMPA.

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CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
	Administrative expenses	For 50 Divisions	0.60	Not approved		0.60	Not approved
6(a) (vi)	Activities referred in sub rule 2 and 3 of rule 5 of CAF Rules 2018 i.e. Publicity/ Awareness /Exhibitions/contractual services etc,						
	Publicity and awareness		1.00	Approved for 0.50 cr.		0.50	Approved for additional Rs 0.50 crores
	Contractual services		3.00	Not approved		3.00	Approved for Rs. 2.0 crores subject to actuals
	Total Approved						Rs. 2.65 crore

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above APO with modifications.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.2: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF ASSAM STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The Addl. PCCF & CEO, Assam State Authority vide their letter no. FG.27/CAMPA Proposal /2023-24 dated 4th July, 2023 has submitted revised proposal for raising of 50 nurseries for production of 4 crore seedlings with an estimated amount of Rs. 39.28 crore reducing from earlier Rs 56 crore.

Assam State Authority has rationalized their proposal and now the cost of raising per seedling come down to Rs. 9.82 per seedling as the size of nursery has also been increased from 1.5 ha to 5 ha. Each nursery would raise approximately eight lakh seedlings

The Details of proposal are given below:

(Rs. in Crore and Area in Ha.)

CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
Head- Others	Raising of saplings Additional Agenda	4 crores saplings	56.00	Deferred for want of details as cost seems to be on higher side		Rs.39.00 crores	Approved
Total Approved		Rs. 39.00 crore					

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above deferred item.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.3: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The PCCF (HoFF) & CEO, Himachal State Authority vide their letter no. FT. CAMPA/2012/Ad-hoc-CAMPA/APOs/Vol II dated 11.07.2023. Himachal Pradesh State Authority proposed APO of financial year 2023-24 amounting to **Rs. 237.22 crores** out of this National Authority approved **Rs. 164.22 crores** in 22ndEC and some activities were deferred, partially approved and not approved. National Authority in its 23rd EC has approved an additional amount of **Rs. 8.82 crores** which is on hold. The Himachal Pradesh State Authority has submitted detailed explanation/justification of deferred, partially approved activities seeking reconsideration for approval. The details of deferred activities are given below;

(Rs. In Crore and Area in Ha.)

Name of State	CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Remark
			Physical Target	Financial Target	
Himachal Pradesh	CAT Plan	1. Removal of Lantana	143	0.42	Not found in original approved APO hence not approved
		2. Soil & moisture conservation works	134335 RMT Brushwood, Live hedge trenches, stabilization, Gully plugin- 114968 RMT. Bio engineering measures (Raising & planting)-8 Ha WHS and Farm pond - 97 No. Check dam /dry stone masonry-2622qum	8.39	Approved
		3. Research Training & capacity building	-	0.37	Not approved
		4. Infrastructure Dev. & Forest Protection	75 No. Paths & building etc.	2.74	Approved
		5. Wildlife activities	33 No.	1.12	Approved
		6. Other Works	2278 No.	3.84	Approved
		7. Nursery Raising/Infrastructure	21.65 Lakh Plants & 8 Nursery	2.63	Approved
		8. Development of degraded forest area	256 ha.	8.82	Approved for Rs. 2.2 crores to be afforested as per approved working plan.
Total Approved			Rs. 20.92 crores		

Decision of the EC: The EC approved above APO for deferred activities as mentioned above.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.4: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF KARNATAKA STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The Addl. PCCF & CEO, Karnataka State Authority vide their letter no. KFD/HoFF/CAMPA (BUD)/100/2022 dated 10.07.2023 has submitted detailed justification/clarification of deferred activities in APO of 2023-24.

During 22nd meeting of EC of National Authority the APO of Karnataka for the FY 2023-24 was discussed and an amount of **Rs. 140.12 crores** was approved out of proposed outlay of **Rs. 362.12 crores**. In 23rd meeting of EC of National Authority has approved an additional amount of **Rs. 118.54 crores**. The State Authority has submitted justification of deferred activities for consideration. The details of activities are given below:-

(Area in ha & amount Rs. in crore)

Name of State	CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
			Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
Karnataka	6 (b) vi	Research Work						Approved
	(i)							
	a)	Planting (in Ha)	189.98				0.922	
	b)	Maintenance of I year plantation	382.20				1.046	
	c)	Maintenance of IV year plantation	73.00				0.12	
	d)	Maintenance of V year plantation	117.12				0.19	
		Total Approved	762.30	6.00			2.28 crore	

Decision of the EC: The Executive Committee while discussing the deferred items proposed by Karnataka State Authority, considered the approvals of APOs granted earlier vis-a-vis the availability of NPV funds with Karnataka State CAMPA which is summarized below:

1. Total sanctioned amount	- Rs. 258.66 Cr.
2. Amount sanctioned under mandatory activities	- Rs. 22.36 Cr.
3. NPV available with the Karnataka State CAMPA	- Rs. 231.33 Cr.
4. NPV amount approved in 1st sanction order dated 4th May, 2023	- Rs. 119.84 Cr.
5. NPV amount approved in 2nd sanction order dated 3rd July, 2023	- Rs. 115.42 Cr.
Total NPV amount approved through sanction	- Rs. 235.26 Cr.

In view of the above, the EC did not approve the above APO activity deferred earlier. It was noticed that entire NPV Component of State CAMPA available with Karnataka has already been approved in earlier EC meetings and there is a need to rationalize the earlier approved amount so that the plantations already raised in previous years are maintained and committed liabilities are met. The PCCF & HoFF and CEO State CAMPA were advised to recast the NPV component already approved and obtain approval of EC.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.5: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF MEGHALAYA STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The CCF & CEO, Meghalaya State vide their letter no. CAMPA/APO/2023-24/Vol-1/145 dated 7th July, 2023. The APO of Meghalaya State Authority was discussed in 22nd EC of National Authority and EC has approved an amount of **Rs. 18.93 crores** against the proposed outlay of **Rs. 31.96 crores**.

Meghalaya State Authority has submitted detailed justification/clarification vide letter no. CAMPA/APO/23-24/Vol-1/2899 dated 29th May, 2023 for deferred and partially approved & not approved activities. The EC has approved an additional amount of **Rs. 7.81 crores** in its 23rd meeting.

The State Authority has again submitted justification/clarification for deferred and partially activities for consideration of National Authority. The details of activities are given below;

(Area in ha & amount in crore)

CAF Rule	Deferred /Not approved Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
5 (2)g	Soil moisture conservation works	Construction of retaining wall (315 Rm), creation of water reservoirs (2 Nos), Check Dams (8 No.) 3 rd year maint. of plantation (3.6 km), First year creation of plantation near Catchment area (326 Ha), Nursery beds (654 beds), 2 nd year maintenance (203.82 ha), Plantation of fruit bearing spp. (15000 No.)	4.26	Deferred		4.26	Approved.
6(b) (vi)	Any other activities for Management of forest and wildlife with the approval of Steering Committee and included in the APO		0.28	Not Approved		0.28	Rs. 0.19 crore approved.
Total Approved				Rs. 4.45 crore			

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above APO activity.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.6: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF ODISHA STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The Government of Odisha State vide their letter no17057 dated 10.08.2023 has submitted clarification/justification of deferred, partially approved & not approved activities in APO of 2023-24. The APO of 2023-24 was discussed in 22nd meeting of EC of National Authority which approved an amount of **Rs. 636.99 crore** against the proposed outlay of **Rs. 1,085.95 crores**. EC has approved an additional amount of **Rs 167.32 crores** in its 23rd meeting. Odisha State Authority subsequently furnished justification/clarification for deferred & partially approved activities of APO of 2023-24 for consideration of National Authority vide letters no. 136/10F-CAMPA-76/2022 dated 7th July and 17th July 2023 of state CAMPA and DO no 17057, dated 10.08.23 of ACS, Forests. The details of activities are given below:

(Area in ha & Amount Rs. in crore)

CAF Rule	Deferred Activities/Not approved activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remarks/ Decision of EC in 24 th Meeting
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
5 (2)c	Silvicultural operation & maintenance of Research Garden	LS	2.50	LS	0.50	2.00	Approved for Rs. 1.0 crore. Total Rs. 1.5 crore
5 (2)d	Protection of Plantation & forests	Geo-referencing of 13046.87 sq. km. of notified forest blocks and 3965.17 Sq Km of revenue village and 316 Nos	69.62	Geo-referencing of 13046.87 sq km of notified forest blocks and 3965.17 Sq Km of revenue village and 316 Nos	39.62	30.00	Approved
5 (3)g	Survey & mapping		1.73	Deferred for details		1.73	Approved
5(2)h	Relocation of Village in protected area		50.00	Approved Rs. 50 crore in 22 nd EC		20.00*	Reduced amount of Rs. 20 crore from Rs. 50 crore approved.
5(2)i	Protection, assessment and monitoring of RET species and their habitat within and outside protected areas through community participation.		19.674	Rs. 4.50 crore approved in 22 nd Meeting of EC		15.00**	Approved for Rs. 15 crore in addition to earlier approved Rs. 4.5 crore. Total Rs. 19.5 crore
5(2)m	Monitoring surveillances and protection of meta population of important wildlife species including RET species outside protected areas through local communities.		19.72	Rs. 1.00 crore approved in 22 nd EC		15.00**	Approved for Rs. 15 crore in addition to Rs. 1 crore earlier. Total Rs. 16 crore
6 (b)vi	Raising and maintenance of 18-mpmth old seedling 5.88 cr.		126.57	Not approved		106.00	Approved
6 (b)vi	State Forest Academy		5.00	Deferred in 22 nd Meeting EC.		5.00	Approved
Total Approved			Rs. 143.73 crore additional amount				

* The amount of ₹ 50 cr. is reduced to ₹ 20 cr in 5(2)h

**The amount of ₹ 30 cr. is revalidated from 5(2)h to 5(2)i & 5(2)m.

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the deferred items of APO with modification.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.7: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF SIKKIM STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The CEO, Sikkim State Authority vide their letter no. 3077/FCA/F&ED dated 1st July, 2023 has submitted justification for deferred activities in APO of 2023-24. The Sate Authority Submitted APO of 2023-24 with the proposed outlay of **Rs. 81.26 crores**. The EC has approved as amount of **Rs. 47.22 crores** after detailed discussion.

Sikkim State Authority has submitted clarification/justification of deferred and partially approved activities in 23rd meeting of EC. Details of activities are given below

(Area in ha & amount Rs. in crore)

CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
5 (2) (g)	Soil moisture conservation Works						
	SMC works with in forest areas	93	0.73	Deferred		0.73	Approved
5 (2) (m)	Management of biological diversity ant biological resource						
(c)	Restoring Climate Sensitive Oak Forest	160	0.80	Deferred		0.80	Approved
6 (a) (i)	To offset incremental cost of CA/PCA at increased wage rate		2.84		Deferred for wants of detailed estimated	2.84	Approved
6 (a) (ii)	To offset incremental cost of CAT at increased wage rate		8.48		Deferred for wants of detailed estimated	8.48	Approved
6 (b) (vi)	(e) Ground water recharge and fire-fighting through water harvesting structures in drought and fire prone forest areas		4.00		Approved for Rs. 2.0 crores	2.00	Approved.
Total Approved				Rs. 14.85 crore			

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above APO activity. The committee suggested that 6(b)vi(e) activity of Rs 2.00 cr. shall be taken up in line of Dhara Vikas Model and experience / work should be documented.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.8: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF TRIPURA STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

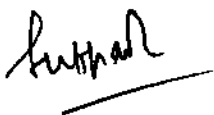
The APCCF & CEO, Tripura State Authority vide their letter no. F.6-419/CAMPA-4/For-2023-24/APO/Part.I.856-858 dated 20th July, 2023 has submitted justification/clarification of deferred, partially approved & not approved activities. The APO for the financial year 2023-24 was discussed in 23rd meeting of EC of National Authority. The EC has approved **Rs. 74.59 crores** out of proposed outlay of **Rs. 87.80 crores** and some activities were deferred & partially approved. The State Authority has submitted detailed justification/clarification of deferred activities partially approved activities for consideration.

The details of deferred activities are given below:

(Area in ha & amount Rs. in crore)

CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target		
5(2)i	Improvement of wildlife habitat						
	i. Habitat management for flora and Fauna pertaining to a. Food b. Cover c. Water management d. Weed removal		15.29	Not approved		15.29	Not Approved
	ii. Any other relevant activities		2.21	Not approved		2.21	Not Approved
	iii. Spill over work/committed liabilities	4 Nos WLS & 1 no. Zoo	15.29	Approved		2.69	Approved
5(2)l	Supply of wood saving, cooking appliances and other forest produce saving devices.		1.00	Not approved		1.00	Approved
5(2)m	Management of biological diversity and biological resource i. Any other relevant activities		9.86	Not Approved		9.86	Not Approved
5(3)a	Activities as per Rule 5 (3) of the CAF Rule,2018 Establishment & maintenance of modern nurseries						
	i. Any other relevant activities		0.73	Not Approved		0.73	Not Approved
5(3)e	Construction of residential and official buildings for frontline staff		7.07	Not approved		7.07	Approved Rs. 5.65 crores
5(3)f	Casual engagement of local people or labours to assist regular staff of State Forest Department		3.69	Approved for 1.845 cr.		1.845	Approved
	Total Approved			Rs. 11.18 crore			

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above APO activity with modifications.



**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.9: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF
UTTARAKHAND STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24**

The Addl. PCCF & CEO, Uttarakhand State Authority vide their letter no. 224/2023-24 dated 8th August, 2023 has submitted clarification/justification of deferred, partially approved & not approved activities in APO of 2023-24.

The APO of Uttarakhand was discussed in 23rd EC of National Authority. The EC has approved an amount of **Rs. 293.24 crores** against the proposed outlay of **Rs. 423.46 crores** and some activities were deferred & partially approved.

The State Authority has submitted justification/clarification of deferred & partially approved activities for consideration.

The details of activities are given below;

Name of State	CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	(Area in Ha. & Rs. in Crores)				Remarks
			Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		
			Physical Target	Financial Target	Physical Target	Financial Target	
Uttarakhand	NPV -Rules						
	5 (2) m	ii) Research Plots (Collaborative Research incl. WIL, study of biodiversity & management of mosses, lichens, studies and research, other State specification, Study on biodiversity of algae and orchids under head demonstration plots & trials (Research)	15 Nos. (incl. 10.70 ha of sp. Study, 40.23 ha of demo plots & 1.2 km trail)	1.93	Not Approved	1.74	Approved.
	5 (3) b	Documentation of stock, natural habitat & management of biodiversity of important flora (Research)	10 Nos.	0.28	Not approved	0.28	
Total Approved			Rs. 2.02 crore				

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above activities.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 9.10: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF JHARKHAND STATE FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The APO for the financial year 2023-24 of State CAMPA Jharkhand was considered in 23rd Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 13th June, 2023. However, there were some clarifications required and therefore the sanction letter was not issued. The APO is again placed before the Committee for consideration and approval.

The integrated APO is placed below.

1. Date of Receipt	: 22.05.2023
2. Date of approval of EC of State UT	: 23.03.2023
3. Date of approval of the Steering Committee	: 03.05.2023
4. Total Amount/Outlay	: 809.442 Crore
5. Funds status with the State/UT along with outlay proposed	: 3238.617 Crore
6. APO approved with total amount by national Authority	: 282.78 Crore

Note: The Annual Plan of Operation (2023-24) duly signed by the competent authority has been received on 23.08.2023

(Amount in Rs. Crore)

Sl. No.	CAMPA Activity	Fund Available with the State/UT	Outlay proposed
1	2	3	4
1	Mandatory Activity		
	CA/PCA/Additional CA	217.271	136.409
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	93.561	29.979
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	86.605	85.171
	Other	365.084	16.161
2	Net Present Value	2256.160	526.721
3	Interest	219.935	15.000
4	Other Components	---	---
	Total	3238.617	809.442

7. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

(Area in Ha.)

Sl. No.	Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted along with approved proposal for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 31.03.2022			Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022-23			Afforestation to be carried out 2023-24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total Balance upto 2024-25
	(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA)	(PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	60496.353	---	60496.353	39970.618	---	39970.618	3607.74	72.03	16917.995

8. Balance afforestation status

(Area in Ha.)

Sl. No.	Balance Afforestation required FC Act (in ha.)	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (in ha.)		
		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26

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1	2	3	4	5
1	16917.995	5,535.031	11382.964	-

9. Details of APO are as under

(Amount in Rs. Area in Ha.)

Sl. No.	CAF Act/Rule	Activity	Proposed outlay		Green Employment to be generated (in Man-days)	Remarks	
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target			
1	2	3	4	5	6		
		Site-specific activities as per Section 6(a) of the CAF Act, 2016					
		Compensatory Afforestation					
		i. Advance work		85.482			
		Advance work (1st Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	5253.258 Ha.	53.512	11,86,182	Approved	
		Advance work (1st Year of operation) for Block Plantation Non Forest Land	275.119 Ha.	7.122		Approved	
		Advance work (1st Year of operation) for Block Plantation Safety zone	6.653 Ha.	0.187		Approved	
		Advance work (1st Year of operation) for Liner Plantation	106.259 K.m.	14.660		Approved	
		Eco-development of Village (Dalma wildlife Sanctuary)	1 no.	10.000		Not Approved. Details required.	
		ii. New plantation work (Completion work)		21.521			
	Mandatory Activity	Completion (II Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	3576.083 Ha.	17.082	4,29,050	Approved	
		Completion (II Year of operation) for Block Plantation Non-Forest Land	31.657 Ha.	0.190		Approved	
		Completion (II Year of operation) Linear Plantation (K.M)	129.077 K.m.	3.949		Approved	
		Completion (II Year of operation) Linear Plantation (Gabion)	1000 Gab.	0.073		Approved	
		Completion (II Year of operation) Silvicultural operation	200.000 Ha.	0.227		Approved	
		iv. Maintenance of existing /older plantation		29.407			
			Maintenance I (III Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	2798.598 Ha.	5.970	6,17,312	Approved
			Maintenance I (III Year of operation) for Block Plantation Non-Forest Land	404.235 Ha.	1.262		Approved
			Maintenance I (III Year of operation) Linear Plantation (K.M)	72.048 K.m.	2.138		Approved
			Maintenance I (III Year of operation) Linear Plantation (Gabion)	18690 Gab.	1.122		Approved
			Maintenance II (IV Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	3309.395 Ha.	6.060		Approved

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		Maintenance II (IV Year of operation) for Block Plantation Non-Forest Land	15.463 Ha.	0.070		Approved
		Maintenance II (IV Year of operation) Linear Plantation (K.M)	88.572 K.m.	1.738		Approved
		Maintenance II (IV Year of operation) Linear Plantation (Gabion)	720 Gab.	0.042		Approved
		Maintenance III (V Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	2734.493 Ha.	4.964		Approved
		Maintenance III (V Year of operation) Linear Plantation (K.M)	53.233 K.m.	0.754		Approved
		Maintenance III (V Year of operation) Linear Plantation (Gabion)	30400 Gab.	0.866		Approved
		Maintenance IV (VI Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	3445.865 Ha.	1.675		Approved
		Maintenance IV (VI Year of operation) for Block Plantation Non-Forest Land	241.388 Ha.	0.181		Approved
		Maintenance IV (VI Year of operation) Linear Plantation (K.M)	44.827 K.m.	0.206		Approved
		Maintenance V (VII Year of operation) for Block Plantation Forest Land	1604.360 Ha.	0.887		Approved
		Maintenance V (VII Year of operation) for Block Plantation Non-Forest Land	125.750 Ha.	0.115		Approved
		Maintenance V (VII Year of operation) Linear Plantation (K.M)	11.677 K.m.	0.046		Approved
		Maintenance V (VII Year of operation) Linear Plantation (Gabion)	500 Gab.	0.014		Approved
		Maintenance I (III Year of operation) Silviculture operation	410 Ha.	0.135		Approved
		Maintenance II (IV Year of operation) Silviculture operation	2160 Ha.	0.710		Approved
		Spill over work: Maintenance of Linear Plantation (Gabion) (6th Year work) (Previous Year due F.Y 2021-22)	173666 Gab.	0.452		Approved
		Catchment Area Treatment Plan		29.979		
		i. Watershed Management (S.M.C. work)	7 Div.	29.979	3,99,717	Not Approved. Details required
		ii. Plantation to check erosion				
		Integrated Wildlife Management Plan		85.171		
		i. Habitat management for flora and fauna (Food/cover/water management)	24 Div.	85.171	18,92,691	Not Approved. Details required.
		Other (Site Specific activities in accordance with FC proposal)	625.832	16.161	2,53,042	Not Approved. Details required
		Total Mandatory Activities		267.720		
		* Note- Details as per FC proposals as Annexure				
		ANR		39.638		
	5(2)a	i. Advance soil work	5525.00 Ha.	39.638	7,18,250	Not approved
	5(2)b	AR		132.501		Not approved

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		i. Advance work		91.05		
		Afforestation works in the Ganga basin with CAMPA on forest land	2 Div. 1400 Ha/ 10 K.m.	11.000	1,46,667	Approved
		Advance work (1st Year work) for RDF/MFP block plantations (Forest Land)	4100 Ha.	37.922	4,71,500	Not approved
		Advance work for Bamboo Plantation (Forest Land)	4200 Ha.	40.544	6,38,400	Not approved
		Advance work for Sisal Plantation (Forest Land)	100 Ha.	1.584	31,700	Not approved
		ii. New plantation work (Completion work)		36.822		
		Completion work (II year work) for Afforestation works in the Ganga basin (Forest land)	2 Div. 10 K.m. & SMC work	3.270	43,600	Approved
		Completion work (II year work) for SMC block plantations (Forest land)	1850 Ha.	6.230	1,31,350	Approved
		Completion work (II year work) for RDF Block Plantation (Forest land)	1850 Ha.	7.300	1,55,125	Approved
		Completion work (II year work) for MFP Host Tree Plantation block plantations (Forest Land)	2050 Ha.	20.022	3,36,200	Approved
		iii. Maintenance of existing /older plantation		4.629		
		Maintenance I (III Year of operation) for RDF Block Plantation (Forest land)	2575 Ha.	4.620	43,600	Approved
		Maintenance I (VI Year of operation) for Block Plantation (Forest land) (Previous Year due FY 2021-22)	55 Ha.	0.009	210	Approved
		Silvicultural Operation		59.291		
		i. Advance work		39.638		
		Advance Work (1st Year works) Silvicultural operation	5525 Ha.	39.638	7,18,250	Not approved
		ii. New plantation work (Completion work)		14.705		
		Completion work (II year work) for Natural Regeneration, Silvicultural operation & SMC works	12950 Ha.	14.705	2,93,965	Approved
		iii. Maintenance of existing /older plantation		4.948		
		Maintenance I (III Year of operation) for Natural Regeneration, Silvicultural operation & SMC works	9040 Ha.	2.970	65,992	Approved
		Maintenance II (IV Year of operation) for Natural Regeneration, Silvicultural operation & SMC works	6022 ha.	1.978	43,961	Approved
		Protection of Plantations and forests		11.914		
		a. Consolidation of Forest Boundary Pillar with digitization/DGPS of Forest boundary	8570 no.	4.714	41,897	Not approved. Details required.
		b. Integrated work for forest and wild life protection	36 Div.	7.200	96,000	Not approved. Details required.
	5(2)c					
	5(2)d					

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	5(2)e	Pest and disease control in Forests	2 Div.	0.100	---	Not approved
	5(2)f	Forest fire prevention and control operations	36 no.	4.816	42,804	Not approved
	5(2)g	Soil and Moisture conservation works		67.168		Deferred Details required
		f. Construction of Check dam	565 no.	47.560	4,22,756	Deferred Details required
		g. Renovation of Traditional Water Sources	615 no.	4.920	43,733	Deferred Details required
		h. Treatment of some important Nala on the concept of Watershed and CAT	31 no.	7.750	68,889	Deferred Details required
		Advance work (1st Year work) for Miscellaneous interventions using LiDAR Technology as per DPR of NAEB	1 Div. Plantation and SMC works, Anicut, Gully Plugging, Mini Percolation Tank, Percolation Tank etc.	5.000	66,667	Deferred Details required
		Maintenance (II & III Year of operation) for Miscellaneous interventions using LiDAR Technology	540 ha.	1.938	40,268	Approved
	5(2)h	Voluntary relocation of villages from protected areas	1 Div.			
		i. Name of village	Polpal, Chopiya, Totaki, Navarnago, Kuzrum, Latu and Tawai	8.000	35,556	Approved
	5(2)i	Improvement of wildlife habitat		68.778		
		i. Any other relevant activities				
		Silviculture Operation (ANR) 1st Year work (Advance work)	695 Ha.	4.986	90,350	Approved
		Silviculture Operation (ANR) 2nd Year work (Plantation work)	1900 Ha.	2.157	43,130	Approved
		Silviculture Operation (ANR) 3rd Year work (Maintenance of existing /older plantation)	1209 Ha.	0.397	8,826	Approved
		Silviculture Operation (ANR) 4th Year work (Maintenance of existing /older plantation)	900 Ha.	0.296	6,570	Approved
		Bamboo culm cleaning	1000 Ha.	4.490	1,44,000	Not approved. Relevant working plan prescriptions required.

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	Weed eradication	1625 Ha.	2.194	30,000	Not approved
	New Grassland development 1st Year work (Advance work)	703 ha.	1.589	26,714	Approved
	New Grass land development 2nd Year work (Plantation work)	225 Ha.	1.716	28,125	Approved
	New Grass land development 3rd Year work (Maintenance of existing /older plantation)	304 ha.	0.585	10,640	Approved
	Gabion Plantation 2nd Year work (Plantation work)	1200 no.	0.087	1,680	Approved
	Soil & Moisture conservation work	750 Ha.	3.243	72,075	Not approved
	Bamboo Plantation 1st Year work (Advance work)	500 Ha.	4.827	76,000	Approved
	Bamboo Plantation 2nd Year work (Plantation work)	730 Ha.	3.181	67,890	Approved
	Bamboo Plantation 3rd Year work (Maintenance of existing /older plantation)	860 Ha.	1.413	28,380	Approved
	Other Activities	2889 no.	37.616	3,99,956	Not approved
5(2)j	Planting and rejuvenation of forest cover on non-forest land falling in wildlife corridors		24.889		Not approved
	Advance work (1st year work) for RDF block plantations on non-forest land falling in wildlife corridors	2300 Ha.	18.485	2,57,600	Not approved
	Completion work (II year work) for RDF/ Bamboo block plantations (Non-Forest land) in wildlife corridor (Plantation work)	1469.500 Ha.	6.403	13,664	Approved
5(2)k	Establishment, maintenance of animal rescue centre and veterinary treatment facilities for wild animals;	1 no.	5.000	66,667	Not approved. Details required.
5(2)l	Supply of wood-saving cooking appliances and other forest produce saving devices	3500 no.	1.400	---	Not approved
5(3)a	Establishment, Maintenance of modern nurseries		34.638		
	i. Any other relevant activities				
	Establishment of Nurseries	155 no.	15.500	1,37,778	Approved
	Establishment of Hi-Tech Nurseries	4 no.	0.641	14,252	Approved
	Establishment of Sisal Nurseries	1 no.	0.177	1,926	Approved
	Establishment of Tissue culture Lab. for planting Stock	1 no.	0.490	4,356	Not approved
	Maintenance of Permanent Nursery	76.00 Ha.	10.503	2,05,770	Approved
	Maintenance of Mini Permanent Nursery (National Bamboo Mission)	2.50 Ha.	0.626	5,910	Approved
	Maintenance of Hi-tech Permanent Nursery (Agro Forestry)	40.00 Ha.	2.969	55,230	Approved
	Maintenance of Hi-tech Permanent Nursery (National Bamboo Mission)	4.00 Ha.	0.903	4,916	Approved
	Maintenance of Sisal Permanent Nursery	1.00 Ha.	0.129	2,348	Approved

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	Development/Strengthening of Permanent & High-tech Nursery Infrastructure	36 no.	2.700	24,000	Approved	
	Spill over work: Maintenance of Permanent Nursery (Previous Year due FY 2021-22)	0.5 Ha.	0.001	---	Approved	
5(3)b	Promoting conservation, sustainable use and documentation of biological diversity through Study on ethnobotany/ethno-forestry		0.20			
	i. Publicity	1 no.	0.010	56	Not approved	
	ii. Documentation	1 no.	0.150	1,112	Not approved	
	iii. Conference/ workshop	1 no.	0.040	222	Not approved	
5(3)c	Purchase and maintenance of equipment or devices for communication information and technology		4.61			
	iv. Purchase of Dragon Torch	1205 no.	1.024	---	Not approved	
	v. Maintenance of Dragon Torch	161 no.	0.016	143	Not approved	
	vi. Maintenance of Old Solar Street Light	20 no.	0.020	133	Not approved	
	vii Purchase of Firefighting equipment and related to man animal conflict	46 no.	2.300	---	Not approved	
	viii Const. of VHF Tower	5 no.	1.250	2,778	Not approved	
	5(3)d	Construction, up-gradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest area, fire lines, watch towers, check posts and timber posts		11.044		
		a. Forest Road Repair	2595.914 K.m.	8.659	1,75,098	Not approved
b. Maintenance of Old Watch Tower		54 no.	0.135	1,200	Not approved	
c. Const. of Watch Tower		26 no.	1.950	17,333	Not approved	
d. Const. of Check post		3 no.	0.300	2,667	Not approved	
5(3)e	Construction of residential and official buildings		19.56			
	a. Const. of R.O.F Quarter Cum Office/Office/ Residence	18 no.	8.100	72,000	Not approved	
	b. Const. of Forest Guard Quarter	20 no.	9.900	88,000	Not approved	
	c. Const. of Camp Office R.F.O/ Inspection hut	10 no.	1.560	13,867	Not approved	
5(3)g	Survey and mapping for APO monitoring		29.382		Not approved	
	a. Survey and mapping of forest areas through LiDAR technology	12 Div.	29.382	---	Not approved	
5(3)h	Independent concurrent monitoring and evaluation and third party monitoring		1.00			

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		iii. Independent evaluation of works under CAMPA	54 Div.	0.560	---	Approved
		iv. e-Green watch Portal- Training updating and uploading of information and strengthening of respective offices	54 Div.	0.440	5,866	Not approved
	5(3)i	Publicity-cum-awareness programme	50 Div.	2.750	---	Not approved
	5(3)j	Production and distribution of quality planting material				
	5(3)k	Forest certification and development of certification standards:	3 Div.	0.044	---	Not approved
		Total NPV (20%)		103.229		
Interest Component						
	6(a)i	To offset incremental cost of CA/PCA at increased wage rate	L.S	3.989	53,145	Approved
	6(a)ii	To offset increments cost of CAT at increased wage rate	L.S	1.197	15,955	Approved
	6(a)iii	To offset incremental cost of IWMP at increased wage rate	L.S	2.792	37,229	Approved
	6(a)iv	For disbursement of salary and allowances of members and staff	L.S	3.502	46,697	Approved
	6(a)v	For disbursement of sitting fees and allowances to nominated members	L.S	0.020	444	Approved
	6(a)vi	Activities referred to in sub rule-(2) and (3) of Rule 5	L.S	---	---	
		6 (a) Total		11.5		
	6(b)i	Management of office establishment	L.S	0.410	---	Approved
	6(b)ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance	L.S	0.080	---	Approved
	6(b)iii	Hiring of staff cars for the use of officers and officials	L.S	0.250	---	Not approved
	6(b)iv	Hiring of buildings on lease for office establishment and residences of the officers	L.S	0.150	---	Not approved
	6(b)v	Other contingencies for management of State Authority	L.S	0.610	---	Not approved
	6(b)vi	Any other activity for management of forests & wildlife with approval of Steering committee & included in the APO	L.S	2.000	17,778	Not approved
		Total Approved			Rs. 282.78 crore	

Decision of the EC: The Executive Committee approved the modified APO with Rs. 282.78 crore.

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PART E- APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA OF DEFERRED ITEMS OF STATE APOs

9.11 Assam

Assam State Authority vide their letter no. FG.27/CAMPA proposal/2023-24 dated 17-08-2023 has submitted proposal for procurement of 100 No. of vehicle for the use of frontline staff in forest & wildlife protection with an estimated cost of Rs. 14.00 crore under "Other" Head of CAMPA. At present Assam State Authority has Rs. 59.91 crore under the "Other" Head.

(Area in ha & Amount in crore)

S. No.	CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023 by State		Decision as per order sanctioned dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount Proposed by State	Remark
			Physical Target	Financial Target (in crore)	Physical Target	Financial Target		
1	Others	Procurement of vehicle for frontline staff (for forests & wildlife protection duties)	100 No.	14.00	Not approved		14.00	Deferred

Decision of the EC: EC deferred the item for the details of the source of funds from the State.

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9.12 Ladakh

Ladakh State Authority vide their letter no. CCFL/2023-24/1427-30 dated 24-08-2023 has submitted deferred activities, partially approved and not approved in APO of 2023-24. The APO of the Sate 2023-24 was discussed in 23rd meeting of EC of National Authority. The EC has approved an amount of Rs. 20.16 crores against the Rs. 103.06 crores.

The details of activities are given below;

(Area in ha & Amount in crore)									
S. No.	CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023		Amount Proposed by State	Remark	
			Physical Target	Financial Target (in crore)	Physical Target	Financial Target			
1	5(2)l	Supply of wood saving, cooking and other forest produce saving devices	2900	10.15	Deferred for details on methodology for selection of beneficiary in transparent and fair process		10.15	Approved	
	5 (2)m	Management of biological diversity and biological resources		30.24	Deferred for details on methodology for selection of beneficiary in transparent and fair process		30.24	Approved	
	5 (2) i	Improvement of Wildlife Habitat	Subsidy for construction of eco toilets 100 beneficiaries in Kargil and 2800 beneficiaries in Leh	21.75	Not approved		21.75	Not approved	
Total Approved			Rs. 40.39 crore						

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above APO of Ladakh.



9.13 Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh State Authority vide their letter no. CAMPA/2023/500/3597 dated 25.08.2023 has submitted deferred activities, partially approved and not approved in APO of 2023-24. The APO of the State 2023-24 was discussed in 22nd meeting of EC of National Authority. The EC has approved an amount of Rs. 949.80 crores against the Rs. 1122.50 crores. EC has approved a deferred amount of Rs. 80.00 crores in its 23rd meeting.

The details of activities are given below;

(Area in ha & Amount Rs. in crore)

S. No.	CAF Rule	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023 by State		Decision as per order sanctioned dated 5 th May 2023		Amount Proposed by State	Remark
			Physical Target	Financial Target (in crore)	Physical Target	Financial Target		
1	5(2)i	Improvement of Wildlife Habitat		69.82		52.00	17.82	Approved for 5.94 crore
2	5(2)f	Solar lighting in field office for frontline staff		9.45		0.00	9.45	Approved for 7.00 crore
3	5(2)h	Infrastructure development works in forest training schools		2.88		0.00	2.88	Not approved
Total				82.15			30.15	
Total Approved							Rs. 12.94 crore	

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above activities of APO with modification.

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9.14 Uttarakhand

Uttarakhand State Authority vide their letter no. 2/2/2023-24 dated 2-08-2023 has submitted deferred activities, partially approved and not approved in APO of 2023-24. The APO of the State 2023-24 was discussed in 23rd meeting of EC of National Authority.

Details of Catchment Area Treatment Plan Uttarakhand for FY 2023-24

(Area in ha. & Rs. in Crores)

Name of State	Deferred Activities	Original Proposed in APO 2023-24 by State		Decision as per Sanction order circulated dated 3 rd July 2023	Amount proposed by State	Remark
		Phy. Target	Fin. Target			
Uttarakhand	Catchment Area Treatment Plan					
Mandatory Activity	CAT Tapovan-Vishnugad HEP (2011-12)					
	i. Watershed Management	341 Nos.	9.10	The details of fund received for CAT Plan implementation from user agencies, DPR prepared & the work already done & details of balance work to be carried out along available fund with State Government are required to be furnished	70.00	Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	73 ha (maintenance)	0.03			Approved
Mandatory Activity	CAT Singoli-Bhatwari HEP (2011-12)					
	i. Watershed Management	1254 Nos.	2.06			Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion					
Mandatory Activity	CAT Lata-Tapovan HEP (2011-12)					
	i. Watershed Management	2777 Nos.	1.85			Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion					
Mandatory Activity	CAT Phatta-Byung HEP (2011-12)					
	i. Watershed Management	92 Nos.	1.20			Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion					
Mandatory Activity	CAT Vishnugad-Peepalkoti HEP (2017-18)					
	i. Watershed Management	147 Nos.	7.15			Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	626 ha (maintenance)	0.91			Approved
Mandatory Activity	CAT Lakhwar HEP (2017-18)					
	i. Watershed Management	6973 Nos.	14.25			Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	2214 ha (Plantation 74 ha, ASW - 1048 ha, Maint. - 1092 ha)	7.77	Approved		

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Mandatory Activity	CAT Vyasi HEP (2018-19)				
	i. Watershed Management	631 Nos.	2.69		Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	341 ha (maintenance)	0.52		Approved
Mandatory Activity	CAT Naitwar-Mori HEP (2019-20)				
	i. Watershed Management	338 Nos.	1.16		Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	329 ha (Maintenance)	0.48		Approved
Mandatory Activity	CAT Srinagar HEP (2011-12)				
	i. Watershed Management	consolidation phase	0.43		Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion				
Mandatory Activity	CAT Jamrani MPP (2020-21)				
	i. Watershed Management	1428 Nos.	10.29		Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	834 ha (Plantation 5 ha, ASW-699 ha, Maint. - 130 ha)	8.12		Approved
Mandatory Activity	CAT Khutani HEP (2018-19)				
	i. Watershed Management	12	0.22		Approved
	ii. Plantation to Check Erosion	25 ha (Maintenance)	0.09		Approved
	CAT PMU	5 Nos.	1.67		Approved for Rs. 0.50 crores
	Total Approved			Rs. 68.82 crore	

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the above activity of APO after modifications.

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PART F- SCHEMES PROPOSED UNDER NATIONAL FUND

10.01 Proposal for Ecosystem service valuation studies to be conducted in the Tiger Reserves of the country from IIFM, Bhopal

Name of Scheme/ Project:	Ecosystem Service Valuation Studies to be conducted in the Tiger Reserves of the country
Implementing Agency/Institute	Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal
Project Outlay	Rs. 82,44,810
Project Duration	3 years
Program Division of the Ministry:	NTCA
Brief note & Justification	<p>Tiger Reserves as ecosystems provide the natural capital which delivers vital functions and services for peoples' lives and well-being. Tiger reserves are also vital for regulating and perpetuating ecological processes to ensure continuity of natural evolutionary processes. An appropriate way of recognizing the power of ecological systems for sustaining life and flowing inputs to the society is to assess their full range of values. Such an appraisal of ecological value of forest-based ecosystems boils down into monetization of both use value and non-use value to understand whole array of ecosystem services available there. Indeed, the valuation of all benefits from natural involving several composite functions and interactions of biological processes is hard to quantify completely, and there is an issue of thin or missing market condition as well as inter temporal constraints. The proposed research will therefore identify first the ecosystem services which are recognizable and then estimate their values in the context of Tiger Reserves in the country. The proposed study will provide quantitative and qualitative estimates of the natural capital stored in selected tiger reserves of India to make benefits emanating from and embedded in these tiger reserves visible to economies and society. Recognition of benefits is likely to create an evidence base which will pave the way for more targeted and enhanced investment in these repositories of genetic information.</p> <p>Of the 54 Tiger Reserves, previous research by IIFM and NTCA had established valuations flora total of 16 Tiger Reserves, 6 in the first phase and 10 in the second phase. It is now proposed to extend this work to its third phase and estimate values for 10 more Tiger Reserves. The remaining 28 Tiger Reserves will be taken up in subsequent phases.</p>
Objectives	<p>The present study intends to adopt a comprehensive framework to assess values for identified services of the ecosystem in 12 selected tiger reserves involving following broad scopes.</p> <p>(a) Assessing the monetary value of ecological assets in terms of material and non-material flow of services using field level evidences along with available secondary information in 12 Tiger Reserves.</p>

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- (b) Comparative evaluation of changes in the value of ecological assets in terms of material and non-material flow of services with respect to spatial and temporal variability.
- (c) For selected Tiger Reserves, demonstration of how the ecosystem service valuation approach can quantify trade-offs in ecosystem services generated through different management activities, and point the way towards rational decision making.
- (d) To conduct capacity building and training programme for Tiger Reserve Forest Department field officers and staff

Project Outcomes

A. Study Outcomes

- Estimation and Valuation of Ecosystem Services for the 12 Tiger Reserves
- Spatial and Temporal Modeling of Selected Services using the In VEST framework
- Demonstration of trade-offs and effect of management practices on valuation

Capacity Building

- Capacity Building and Training for Field Officers and Staff on Ecosystem services valuation
- Publication of Consolidated Report and Policy briefs for 12 Tiger Reserves.

Recommendation of the Program Division	<p>The NTCA of the MoEFCC has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of "<i>Ecosystem service valuation studies to be conducted in the Tiger Reserves of the country from IIFM, Bhopal</i>" for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The NTCA will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through NTCA as Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.</p>
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Decision of EC: The EC approved the above the above scheme to be completed within a period of one year only.



10.02 Proposal for additional funding support to Phase II Proposal of All India Synchronised Elephant estimation

Name of Scheme/ Project:	Phase II Proposal for Synchronised Elephant estimation
Program Division of the Ministry	NTCA/Project Tiger & Elephant (PT&E)
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	Shri Ramesh Kumar Pandey Inspector General of Forests (PT&E) and Director, Project Elephant Email: ramesh.pandey@nic.in Mob no: 09958705413
Nodal Officer of Implementing Agency/Institute (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	Shri Virendra R. Tiwari Director, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun Email: dwii@wii.gov.in Mob: 09833316795
Objectives	To conduct the all India Synchronised Elephant estimation, 2022
Project Duration and Year wise activities	6 months
Project Outlay	Rs. 3,69,00,000/- (Rs. Three Crore Sixty Nine Lakh only)
Year wise estimated expenditure	Rs. 3,69,00,000/- for 6 months
New or extension/ modification of existing scheme.	It is the extension of the ongoing project titled "All India Synchronised Elephant estimation-Phase II".
Revised outlay in case of existing scheme/project	Additional funds of Rs. 3,69,00,000/- required to complete the ongoing project.
In case of modification of existing scheme: The details of expenditure incurred as on date along with copy of UC indicating unutilized fund.	Rs. 3 crores have been already sanctioned by National CAMPA. Till now, Rs. 2.5 crores have been utilized by WII and expenses have been booked for the remaining amount. The Utilization Certificate would be submitted before the meeting. The progress report of Phase I is enclosed.
Brief note & Justification for seeking financial support from National Fund.	The elephant estimation was conducted every 5 years by States Forest Departments. There were some disparities observed with the methodologies adopted by the States. Considering this, the Ministry had decided to conduct the all India elephant estimation along with the Tiger estimation in a synchronized manner. For the first time ever synchronized elephant and tiger population has been carried out considering the high spatial overlap between the two species. This will save resources, logistics and the same tome improve the efficiency of filed surveys. Hon'ble Minister EF & CC had launched the methodology for conducting all India

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	<p>synchronized elephant and tiger population estimation 2022 during World Elephant Day celebration.</p> <p>The Phase I data have been collected and for the Phase II additional budget is required because of several caveats such as increase in samples received (around 10,000), and timeline being short, genetic sampling on high throughput sequencing, engagement of additional manpower to complete the task. Further, the camera trap data analysis requires additional manpower to sort photos for camera trap based distance sampling analysis, and more people are required to sample sites post-monsoon.</p> <p>The progress and updates of the project are being reviewed regularly by Hon'ble Minister, EF&CC and other senior officials of the Ministry.</p> <p>Since, for the first time ever, the All India Synchronised Elephant estimation is being conducted through more scientific and robust methodologies and the project is of national importance and Rs. 3 crores under National CAMPA have been already given, it is proposed that additional funding may be provided through National CAMPA.</p>
Outcomes	The population status of elephants, 2022 in the country would be released by the Ministry.
Deliverables (including year wise)	A report with population status of elephants, 2022 in the country would be released by the Ministry.
Recommendation of the Program Division	The NTCA/Project Tiger & Elephant (PT&E) of the MoEFCC has prepared the <i>Scheme/Pilot Project of Phase II Proposal for Synchronised Elephant estimation</i> for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The NTCA/Project Tiger & Elephant (PT&E) will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through WII, Dehradun as Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.

Decision of EC: The EC approved the above scheme with the outlay of Rs. 3.00 crore only. The EC strongly recommended that only laboratories of recognized Government institutions shall be engaged for any scientific work/ study and in no case any private agency / laboratory / institution shall be engaged.

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10.03 Proposal for strengthening of Regional Offices of MoEF&CC

Name of Scheme/ Project:	Proposal for seeking financial support for strengthening, monitoring and implementation of the CAF Act by Regional Offices of the MoEF&CC		
Program Division of the Ministry	Regional Offices Headquarters (ROHQ) Division		
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	Shri Ramesh Pandey, Inspector General of Forests (FC/ROHQ) E-mail: ramesh.pandey@nic.in Mob: 99587 05413		
Nodal Officer of Implementing Agency/ Institute (name and designation) and contact details-email id, Mobile no	DDGF of concerned Regional Offices (list enclosed)		
Objectives	This proposal aims to secure financial assistance to reinforce the monitoring and implementation of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act (CAF Act) by the Regional Offices (ROs) under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC). The proposal highlights the significance of strengthening these offices to ensure effective monitoring of compliance of conditions stipulated in Forest and environmental clearances with environmental safeguards.		
Project Duration & Year wise activities	5 years		
Project Outlay	Rs. 5711.62 lakhs		
Year wise estimated expenditure	S. No	Year	Budget Requirement (Rs. in crores)
	1	1 st	10.3366
	2	2 nd	10.8534
	3	3 rd	11.3961
	4	4 th	11.9659
	5	5 th	12.5642
	Total		57.1162
New or extension/ modification of existing scheme.	New		
Revised outlay in case of existing scheme/project	Not applicable		
In case of modification of existing scheme: The details of expenditure incurred as on date along with copy of UC indicating unutilized fund.	Not applicable		
Brief note & Justification for seeking financial support from National Fund.	The introduction of the Compensatory Afforestation Act, 2016 (CAF Act, 2016) by the Government of India, overseen by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), signifies a crucial stride towards efficient fund utilization and ecological preservation. This legislative framework, guided by the		

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	<p>directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, aims to restore environmental balance.</p> <p>Regional Offices (ROs) under the MoEF&CC play a pivotal role in processing project proposals, ensuring compliance with conditions, and endorsing working plans under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Given their mandate and the significance of adhering to conditions such as compensatory afforestation, ROs are uniquely poised for impartial cross-verification.</p> <p>Enhancing RO infrastructure is essential to bridge operational gaps and facilitate effective monitoring and fieldwork. This augmentation empowers officers with necessary logistics and autonomy, reducing dependency on State Forest Departments. To realize this, drawing financial support from the National Fund is proposed. This strategic alignment reinforces ROs' regulatory functions and their involvement in vital environmental legislation implementation, fostering professional monitoring and effective stewardship of India's natural resources.</p>
Outcomes	The financial assistance will enable Regional Offices to stand as beacons of environmental stewardship, safeguarding our forests, wildlife, and natural habitats for the present and future generations. Through our collective efforts, we can ensure that the objectives of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act and other related regulations are met, fostering a harmonious balance between development and conservation.
Deliverables (including year wise)	An annual report would be compiled by the Ministry for the monitoring completed under the CAF Act.
Recommendation of the Program Division	The ROHQ (Program Division) of the MoEF&CC has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of <i>Proposal for seeking financial support for strengthening, monitoring and implementation of the CAF Act by Regional Offices of the MoEF&CC</i> for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The ROHQ Division will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through Integrated Regional Offices of MoEF&CC under ROHQ Division as Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.

Decision of EC: Considering the urgent need to strengthen Integrated Regional Offices of the Ministry for regular monitoring of CAMPA activities with and ensuring compliances of the conditions of approval of FCA clearances, the Executive Committee approved the above scheme with an outlay of Rs. 57.11 crores for a period of 5 years.

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10.04 Proposal for Developing Infrastructure for Conducting Training and Capacity Building in Forest Management, Sustainable Development, Carbon market, Climate change, and Conservation and livelihood at IIFM

Name of Scheme/Project:	Developing Infrastructure for Conducting Training and Capacity Building in Forest Management, Sustainable Development, Carbon Market, Climate Change, and Conservation and Livelihood
Program Division of the Ministry	RT Division, MoEF&CC
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details- email id Mobile no	IG/DIG Research & Training Division, MoEF&CC.
Nodal Officer of Implementing Agency/Institute (name and designation) and contact details-email id	Director, Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal 0755-2775998 director@iifm.ac.in
Objectives	<p>Objective</p> <p>Organise academic and capacity building programmes in areas related to Sustainable Forest Management, Sustainable Development, Climate Change, Social, Environment and Corporate Sustainability, Carbon Market, and Conservation and Livelihood.</p> <p>Popularize the Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) to meet its mission goals of mobilizing a people (across India and the World) to take individual and collective action for protecting and conserving the environment.</p> <p>Develop and impart need based and sector driven capacity building programmes.</p> <p>Building state of art training & capacity building infrastructure for sustainable forest management, Sustainable Development, Sustainability, Conservation and livelihood.</p>
Project Duration and Year wise activities	2 years
Project Outlay	Rs.70.00 crores(Approx.). The CPWD, Bhopal is preparing the plan, drawings and estimate. The same will be submitted separately.
Year wise estimated expenditure	
New or extension/ modification of existing scheme.	New

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Revised outlay in case of existing scheme/project	NA
In case of modification of existing scheme: The details of expenditure incurred as on date along with copy of UC indicating unutilized fund.	NA
Brief note & Justification for seeking financial support from National Fund.	<p>The institute is mandated with activities related to academics, research, training and capacity building in areas related to Sustainable Forest Management, Sustainable Development, Climate Change, Carbon market, Sustainability, Ecosystem Services Valuation, Green Accounting, Corporate Social Responsibility, ESG, Conservation and Livelihood, marketing of forest produce, Forest certification, Circular Economy and supply chain management in forest and environment sector.</p> <p>The Institute currently offering two year Post Graduate Programmes in Forestry Management and Sustainability Management to meet the demand of the sectors. The programmes constantly gets 100% campus placement. The sanctioned strength for the said courses is 225 and we have 200 students admitted for the courses, thereby there would be 450 students in the campus in a year.</p> <p>The institute conducts Fellow Programme in Management and PhD in the field of management, forestry, environment, conservation and livelihood.</p> <p>The institute regularly conducts training and capacity building programmes in the form of Management Development Programmes for persons from the Indian Forest Service, other central services, paramilitary forces, State Forest Departments, other line departments, Forest Development Corporations, Development professionals, academia and industries, scientists and other stakeholders in Natural Resource Management, Sustainable Development, carbon markets, and Climate Change, etc.</p> <p>IIFM through its capacity building programs inculcate knowledge, understanding and skill sets through appropriate teaching methods/pedagogy.</p> <p>IIFM is also to be engaged in creating the knowledge portal with digital repository of various environment-related treaties and their COP meetings.</p> <p>The institute has got the letter of intent to be declared as Deemed to be University. The institute is launching four new postgraduate programmes namely 1. Conservation and Livelihood, 2. Sustainable</p>

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	<p>Development, 3. Development and Sustainable Finance, and 4. Climate Resilience and Carbon Management from the next academic year.</p> <p>Each of the proposed two year Masters' programmes would enroll 60 students per year thereby 240 students for four new Postgraduate programmes and the existing two courses would enroll 225 students. Thus, 465 students are enrolled each year for the ongoing and new Post Graduate Management programmes, thereby there will be 930 students on campus at any particular time. It is also proposed to launch a new one year executive programme on Natural Resource management for the in-service professionals with 30 participants in a year.</p> <p>The Ph.D. programmes would enroll about 10 students every year per stream thereby 100 students would enroll for PhD.</p> <p>There is a need for capacity building development in areas viz. forest certification, restoration ecology, carbon market, circular economy, climate change, ecosystem services valuation and sustainable forest management. The institute therefore proposes to increase the number of training and capacity building programmes to reach out to various stakeholders. Implementation of these programmes would be done through improvements in facilities and competencies.</p> <p>The institute is running several short courses and plans to increase the number of programmes in the near future to help all stakeholders, to acquire relevant knowledge and skill sets that will enhance sustainable management of forests, Sustainable Development and the profile of conservation, livelihood, business in environment, forest and climate change and sustainable management practices in the country.</p> <p>At present, the institute has a facility to accommodate 350 students on twin sharing basis. With the given infrastructure available at the institute, it is not sufficient to run the in house academic, training capacity building and research programmes on various themes for multiple stakeholders.</p> <p>Hence, it has been proposed to build training infrastructure especially construction of hostel accommodation of 300 rooms with added facilities at IIFM campus to accommodate student participants in various academic programmes and 60 room research and training hostel to accommodate PhD and trainees of various capacity building programmes. It is proposed to have three blocks of 100 rooms each with dining facilities. The design and drawings and estimate for hostel accommodation infrastructure and the abstract estimate will be submitted separately.</p> <p>Accordingly, the training and capacity building infrastructure development is proposed under CAMPA.</p>
Outcomes	<p>Launch of 4 new Postgraduate programmes Conservation and Livelihood, Sustainable Development, Sustainable Finance and Climate Resilience and Carbon management.</p>

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	<p>Launch of new Executive Management Programme on Natural Resource Management for the serving professionals.</p> <p>IIFM will organise more capacity building programmes for various stakeholders and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the participants thereby contributing the organisational mandate of the organisation.</p> <p>Institute shall organise various short-term training and capacity building programmes in management and allied areas tailored to the needs of particular groups such as government officers, scientists, communities, teachers, resource managers, non-governmental organisations, and senior decision-makers.</p>
Deliverables(including year wise)	<p>Increased number of students to pursue the Postgraduate programmes. Talented professionals to meet the needs and demands of the sectors.</p> <p>More training and capacity building programmes for different stakeholders</p> <p>Better infrastructure facilities in the campus</p> <p>Social campaigns linked to the themes and action points of Mission LiFE to nudge individuals/groups/institutions/organisations for bringing behavioural changes aligned to LiFE.</p>
Recommendation of the Program Division	<p>The RT Division of the MoEFCC has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of <i>Developing Infrastructure for Conducting Training and Capacity Building in Forest Management, Sustainable Development, Carbon market, Climate change, and Conservation and livelihood at IIFM</i> for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The RT Division will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through IIFM, Bhopal, MP under RT Division as Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.</p>

Decision of EC: The EC approved the above scheme.

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10.05 Proposal for Developing Indian Institute of Forest Management Campus in Kurseong for East and North East and developing capacity strengthening of forestry sector by utilizing the Premises, Infrastructure and Facilities of CAFE, Kurseong by IIFM, Bhopal as its second campus

Name of Scheme/ Project:	Developing Indian Institute of Forest Management (IIFM) Campus in Northeast and developing capacity strengthening of Forest Sector in India.
Program Division of the Ministry	RT Division, MoEF&CC
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	IG/DIG Research & Training Division, MoEF&CC Shri Anand Kumar Prabhakar, DIG Forests, RT, MoEF&CC
Nodal Officer of Implementing Agency/Institute (name and designation) and contact details-email id	Director, Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal 0755-2775998 director@iifm.ac.in
Objectives	
Project Duration and Year wise activities	1 year
Project Outlay	Rs. 5.00 crores approx. The CPWD, Gangtok has prepared the estimates for repair and renovation including perimeter fencing of the campus. The plan and estimate will be approved by the Competent Authority.
Year wise estimated expenditure	
New or extension/ modification of existing scheme.	New
Revised outlay in case of existing scheme/project	NA
In case of modification of existing scheme: The details of expenditure incurred as on date along with copy of UC indicating unutilized fund.	NA
Brief note & Justification for seeking financial support from National Fund.	The facilities available at Kurseong, can be effectively utilized for conducting different academic as well as capacity building programmes of IIFM. The CAFÉ campus at Kurseong may be transferred in favour of IIFM and handed over so as to declare as a second campus of IIFM to cater to the needs of North Eastern States and West Bengal. This will minimise the infrastructure requirement and development at IIFM, Bhopal for running the various ongoing programmes of IIFM to the approved capacities.

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Establishing IIFM Campus at Kurseong will facilitate the institute to focus more on the Eastern Himalayan States and West Bengal in terms of academic, research, consulting and capacity building, development and mobilisation. Kurseong will act as a base for reaching out to North Eastern States like Sikkim, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram and Tripura and provide academic and research programmes specific to the region.

The IIFM campus at Kurseong can evolve as an International Centre of Forestry to attract more students and researchers from south east Asia, Asia and other countries.

Establishing a second campus of IIFM at Kurseong will reduce to an extent the infrastructure requirement of hostel, class room and other utilities at IIFM, Bhopal campus to run various ongoing and new academic, training and research programmes.

The hostel requirement of atleast 120 students of IIFM can be immediately met from Kurseong and two courses can be easily conducted from Kurseong campus. The convocation hall old and new can be converted into two class rooms and used for running the regular classes for Post Graduate Programmes.

The programmes can be organised in such a way that one or two trimesters of the Post Graduate Programmes in Forestry Management and Sustainability Management may be conducted at the Kurseong campus. For example, the first two trimesters of 1st year programme of Sustainability Management is organized in Kurseong and 5th or 6th trimester of Forestry Management may be organized at Kurseong, thereby academic and training activities will be conducted at Kurseong throughout the year.

Once the new courses are launched, the first year programme of two courses namely Development and Sustainable Finance, and Climate Resilience and Carbon Management may be conducted in one year and the second year programme of other two courses namely Conservation and Livelihood Management, and Sustainable Development may be conducted in next year in a cyclic manner so that the students get the chance to live in both the campuses i.e., Bhopal and Kurseong as part of their two year programme. In this way the assets available at Kurseong is put to best use which will reduce the infrastructure requirement of the main Bhopal campus.

The maximum intake of students per programme is 60 thereby the hostel facilities of 120 rooms can be used effectively to accommodate 120 students. This will reduce the demand for hostel facilities on the main campus of IIFM.

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In addition to the Post Graduate programmes, some of the Management Development Programmes or Executive Development Programmes, IFS compulsory courses organized at IIFM may be conducted at Kurseong, thereby the infrastructure and other facilities of Kurseong are fully utilized. The two conference halls and one class room of 40 seater capacity available at Kurseong may be effectively used for organizing MDP/EDP and compulsory training programmes.

The one week and short duration programmes will attract more participation as Kurseong is located close to Darjeeling, a major tourist site and a hill station. Gangtok, Sikkim is also close to Kurseong.

The faculty required for handling academic, training and research activities can visit the campus and stay during the course. Once their inputs are given, they can go back to Bhopal and other faculty can join. Thus, there are no additional facilities required and the faculty can stay in the existing quarters, which can be renovated and kept maintained.

The sports facilities established at Kurseong namely the football ground, basketball, volley ball and tennis court may be put to use for the students of Post Graduate Programmes and officers of compulsory courses, MDPs/EDPs.

At present IIFM, Bhopal campus does not have the required number of rooms to accommodate students of all academic programmes at a time (two running programmes along with four proposed new courses). If two programmes are run at Kurseong campus alternately for one trimester, it will help in off campus exposure as well in smooth running of all programmes.

The building and other assets of the campus can be effectively utilized by taking up repair and renovation whenever necessary, for conducting the various ongoing and proposed academic research and training programs of IIFM. It will also revive and restore the activities in the Kurseong campus by organizing year round programmes and thereby the facilities can be effectively utilized.

Major repair and renovation of the main building and other buildings assets need to be carried out to declare the IIFM campus at Kurseong and to start the academic and training activities in the campus at the earliest. The proposal also includes construction of a 6 room guest house to accommodate the visiting faculty and other guests and perimeter boundary wall with chain-link fence. CPWD, Gangtok, Sikkim who has got the jurisdiction is preparing the estimate for repair and renovation, construction

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	of guest house and boundary wall. The same is being submitted separately.
Outcomes	There are demands from North Eastern States for research and consultancies. The same can be taken up from Kurseong campus. IIFM campus at Kurseong will pave way to take up more research and training activities for the North Eastern regions on issues related to Sustainable Development, Forest Management, Carbon market, Ecosystem Services, Landscaped and Ecosystem based solutions, etc. Having a campus of IIFM at Kurseong will encourage the students of North East and Eastern India to take up studies in Forest Management, Sustainable management, Sustainable Development and other areas thus contributing towards the overall development of the region. It is expected that it will evolve as an International Center of Forestry over time.
Deliverables(including year wise)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Running first year/second year for selected post graduate courses from next academic year ➤ At least 5 Management Development and Training programmes in the coming year ➤ Capacity strengthening and expansion in North-East for officers and students ➤ Running MCT programmes for IFS officers. ➤ Increased number of students from Northeast in the PGP programmes.
Recommendation of the Program Division	The RT Division of the MoEFCC alongwith IIFM has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of <i>Proposal for Developing Indian Institute of Forest Management Campus in Kurseong for East and North East and developing capacity strengthening of forestry sector by utilizing the Premises, Infrastructure and Facilities of CAFE, Kurseong by IIFM, Bhopal as its second campus</i> for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The RT Division will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through IIFM, Bhopal, MP under RT Division as Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.

Decision of EC: The EC approved the above scheme of RT Division of the proposal of IIFM, Bhopal with the condition that a sub-committee of EC shall make visit and submit the recommendation for the above project and ADGF, WL will submit a certificate that funds from capital head in regular budget head is not available.

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10.06 GIM Division proposal for the Financial support to MISHTI to States

Name of Scheme/Project	Mangrove Initiative for Salt Pans Habitats and Tangible Incomes- MISHTI under Directorate of Green India Mission
Implementing Agency/Institute	State Forest Departments of coastal States/UTs
Project Outlay	Rs. 100.00 crores for FY 2023-24
Project Duration	05 Years
Program Division of the Ministry	Directorate of Green India Mission
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details- email id Mobile no	IG, NAEB/GIM Shri Sanjay Kumar Shukla, IGF
Brief Note and Justification	<p>Introduction</p> <p>Blue economy is 6th dimension of India's vision for New India by 2030, and has an indispensable role to play in the promotion of ecological and socio-economic resilience of the country's coastal ecosystems. In other words, persevering and enhancing the sustainability of the coastal habitats like mangroves, seagrasses, coral reefs, salt marshes and mudflats is imperative.</p> <p>To address this, MISHTI: "Mangrove Initiative for Salt Pans Habitats and Tangible Incomes" has been announced in para 85 of the Union Budget FY 2023-24 to promote and conserve mangroves as unique, natural eco-system having very high biological productivity and carbon sequestration potential, besides working as a bio-shield.</p> <p>Considering the above, the Mission MISHTI ('Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes) is taken up by India in response to climate change in terms of green energy transition and green economy. "MISHTI" comes after India joined the 'Mangrove Alliance for Climate' launched during the 27th Conference of Parties (COP27) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change held in Egypt in November 2022.</p> <p>Vision</p> <p>To enhance resilience of Indian coast and ensure the protection of coastal life, livelihood and infrastructure against the climate change consequences such as sea-level rise through conservation and management of coastal habitats.</p> <p>Aim and objectives</p> <p>The aim of the MISHTI is to "Restoration of mangrove forests" by undertaking mangrove reforestation/ afforestation measures along the coast of India by adopting existing best practices in India and globally.</p>

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Among the diverse coastal habitats, mangroves are the most dominant ecosystem along the Indian coast. MISHTI Programme is focused on mangrove restoration with following features:

- (1) MISHTI is to be implemented by converging Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) Fund, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), and other sources.
- (2) Categorization of Targeted areas for this programme:
 - a. Mangrove plantation/restoration of gap or degraded areas or accretion areas,
 - b. Mangrove restoration of mudflat areas (areas that had historical mangroves),
 - c. Mangrove restoration in abandoned aquaculture ponds & salt pans, and
 - d. Rehabilitation of areas infested with invasive or alien species having mangrove potential.

The Programme will cover approximately 540 sq km area across nine (9) coastal States and four (4) Union Territories in five years (2023-2028). It will create around 22.8 million man-days with estimated carbon sink of 4.5 million tons of Carbon. It will also create potential areas for nature tourism and livelihood potential for local communities.

Implementation Process

For implementation of the proposal, funding will be done from State CAMPA = National CAMPA & MGNREGA and also from other sources. This dovetailing of funds will be well formulated at village, panchayat, district and State level.

Activities

The Core activities undertaken by State CAMPA will include Restoration through Gap Plantation; afforestation; and enrichment plantation. The funding for activities other than core activities will be done through National CAMPA, MNREGA and other sources. Any gap in financing through State CAMPA will be considered by National CAMPA.

The core activities include-

- a.) Mapping and delineation of target intervention areas
- b.) Preparation of inventory based on scientific assessment of topography, hydrology etc.
- c.) Nursery Development
- d.) Mangrove Restoration/Plantation

In addition, the support activities, funded by the National CAMPA and other sources will supplement the implementation on the MISHTI Programme and in achieving its mandate and include-

- a.) Livelihood Diversification activities
- b.) Awareness and Capacity Building
- c.) Research and Development

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	<p>d.) Publicity, Media and Outreach e.) Monitoring and Evaluation f.) Ecotourism with the help of SHGs g.) Development of Interpretation Centres</p>
<p>Preliminary activities for in-principle approval:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nursery Development • Development of Interpretation Centers • Workshops • Exposure Visits. • Establishment of MISHTI Cell under GIM Directorate and hiring of contractual technical/support staff. 	
<p>Recommendation of the Program Division</p>	<p>The Directorate of GIM of the MoEFCC has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of <i>Mangrove Initiative for Salt Pans Habitats and Tangible Incomes- MISHTI under Directorate of Green India Mission</i> for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The GIM Directorate will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through State Govt. through GIM Implementing Agency and the Program Division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.</p>

Decision of EC: The EC approved the above proposal of GIM Division of the Ministry for implementing MISHTI programme of restoration and conservation of mangroves in the coastal States of the country with an initial provision of Rs. **100.00** crores.

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10.07 GIM Division proposal for the financial support to Model Nurseries to States

Name of Scheme/Project	Creation of Model Nurseries in every District/Forest Division
Implementing Agency/Institute	State Forest Departments
Project Outlay	Rs. 40-45 Cr for FY 2023-24
Project Duration	05 Years
Program Division of the Ministry	Directorate of Green India Mission
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	IG, NAEB/GIM
Brief Note and Justification	<p>Forests are one of the most prominent constituents of our ecosystem because of their vast expanse, adaptability and utility. Whether natural or planted, they are important to the mankind not only economically and environmentally but also socially, spiritually, historically and aesthetically as they sustain human life by providing a large number of goods and services such as fodder, fuel, timber and non-wood forest produce, and services like soil, water and biodiversity conservation, pollution control, climate regulation, recreation, etc.</p> <p>Tree planting is receiving considerable attention in national policies and programmes. In the rural areas, trees play a vital role in the supply of fodder, fuel, small timber, edible products and medicines which enhance livelihood support to the farming communities. The plantation is required where diversion of forest land was done due to any development work for public facilities or non-forests purposes. Tree plantation provides scope for economic and sustainable utilization of degraded lands where agricultural crops cannot be grown also. Social forestry, community forestry, National Forest Policy, 1988, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005, National Agroforestry Policy, 2014, Green Highways (Plantation & Maintenance) Policy-2015, Green Skill Development Programme, 2018, Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rule 5(3) a 2018 etc. emphasise massive plantation efforts specially focusing on diverged area from forest.</p> <p>Planting of the native species is considered as one of the most effective tools to qualitatively and quantitatively restore the productivity of the degraded forest and non-forest areas. hence the imperative need for the supply of high-quality planting material. Forest Nurseries form the pillar of modern forestry primarily to ensure the sustained supply of the</p>

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However, one of the major constraints of these programmes has been the lack of quality planting material and its availability and accessibility to the growers. Establishing plant nurseries and equipping manpower with the requisite skills is vital to achieve the target of a green India. The quality of planting material must receive greater emphasis in order to ensure that the country is able to enhance forest and plantation productivity to meet increasing social demands and achieve the carbon confiscation target. Growing tree is an art as well as science of our social life. The process of growing a forest artificially usually begins with the raising of good quality plants in the nursery.

Model Nurseries play important roles in production and supply of quality planting stocks of important tree species. A good nursery stock is a pre-requisite for a quality plantation. A healthy and vigorous stock is essential for ensuring good survival and growth of any plantation. This can be achieved only if nursery is properly designed and all nursery operations are conducted cautiously. The success of nursery depends upon:

- i. Selection and development of suitable site.
- ii. Efficient supervision and administration.
- iii. Adequate planning, forecasting, control procedures and orderly timing of operation.
- iv. Use of appropriate cultural and traditional methods.
- v. Protection of plantation with fencing and boundaries.
- vi. Arrangement of regular supply of suitable water and use biofertilizer.
- vii. Soil testing is necessary for nursery. It will be tested by local department/laboratories of university/institutions.
- viii. Protection from pests, diseases and other damages.

Justification:

Modern nurseries are vital for plantation activities, especially in the context of reforestation, afforestation, and sustainable land management. The need for modern nurseries in restoration ecology is detailed below:

- Seedling Production: Modern nurseries are essential for producing high-quality tree seedlings to ensure a healthy and uniform forest or vegetation restoration process.
- Species Selection: Nurseries allow for the controlled cultivation of a wide variety of tree species. This is important because it enables the selection of species that are well-suited to local climate conditions, soil types, and ecological goals, whether that's timber production, ecosystem restoration, or carbon sequestration.
- Genetic Diversity: Nurseries can maintain genetic diversity within tree populations through cultivation of plus trees. This provide protection from diseases, pests, and environmental changes, which are often more vulnerable.

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- **Efficient Resource Use:** Modern nurseries are equipped with advanced technologies that optimize resource use. These include efficient irrigation systems, precise nutrient management, and controlled environments, which reduce resource waste and increase seedling survival rates.
- **Timely Planting:** Nurseries can produce seedlings year-round, allowing for planting during optimal seasons. This ensures that trees have the best chance of establishing themselves successfully in the field.
- **Research and Development:** Nurseries often serve as centers for research and development. They can be used to test new planting techniques, evaluate the performance of different tree varieties, and develop best practices for plantation management.
- **Training and Education:** Nurseries provide opportunities for training and education, both for professionals in the field of forestry and for local communities. They can be used to teach sustainable land management practices, seedling care, and the importance of trees in ecosystem services.
- **Environmental Benefits:** Forests created through well-managed nurseries contribute to various environmental benefits, such as carbon sequestration, soil conservation, watershed protection, and habitat restoration. These benefits are essential for maintaining biodiversity and mitigating climate change.
- **Economic Benefits:** Plantations, when managed sustainably, can generate income and employment opportunities for local communities. Modern nurseries help ensure the success and productivity of these economic ventures.
- **Long-Term Impact:** Healthy, well-planned plantations established with the help of modern nurseries can provide long-term benefits, including timber and non-timber forest products, tourism opportunities, and ecosystem services, contributing to sustainable development.

In conclusion, modern nurseries are integral to the success of plantation efforts, ensuring that the right tree species are grown, nurtured, and planted efficiently. They contribute to environmental, economic, and social benefits, making them a critical component of sustainable land management and reforestation initiatives.

Objectives:

- Raising quality planting material
- Bringing people together.
- Perpetuating local heritage.
- Making culturally and traditionally important plants more available.
- Provide employment and economic opportunities.
- Providing a community need for native plants for landscaping.
- Renewing resources for important food plants or other useful species.
- Function as Knowledge and Information centers.
- Restoring degraded land.
- Propagating rare species.

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- Nurseries also to function as Gene Banks through selection of Candidate Plus Trees (CPTs) and establishment of Seed Production Areas (SPAs), with the primary objective to ensure improved productivity of plantations through identified suitable species for different agroecological zones

Project Outcomes:

- These nurseries may be objective-driven for the production of high-quality planting material of the species depending on demand and their suitability to the landscape.
- These nurseries would function as a tool to develop, undertake research and production of certified QPM, and its further distribution at subsidized prices.
- This would help in enhancing the availability of and beneficiaries' accessibility to QPM, extension of technical knowledge and marketing of the produce, and also enhancing the skills

State wise tentative outlay of Submitted Proposal for in-principle approval:

Sr. No.	Name of the State	No. of Proposed Nurseries	Cost of the Proposal (Rs. in Lakhs)
1	Uttar Pradesh	1	97.00
2	Rajasthan	1	40.00
3	Tripura	05	1039.41
4	Assam	30	2791.67
5	Haryana	10	2000.00
6	Sikkim	11	1991.51
	Total	58	7959.59

Recommendation of the Program Division

The Directorate of GIM of the MoEFCC has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of *Creation of Model Nurseries in every District/Forest Division* for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The GIM will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through State Govt. through GIM Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.

Decision of EC: The EC did not approve the above scheme and desired that the States should establish one model nursery per State /UT and then EC will reconsider this proposal. The PCCF & HoFF, Haryana State CAMPA volunteered to host a National workshop in Haryana on nurseries in October- November, 2023.

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10.8 Conservation breeding of Cheetah (*Acinoyx jubatus*) in Banni Grassland, Gujarat

Name of Scheme/Project	Conservation breeding of Cheetah (<i>Acinoyx jubatus</i>) in Banni Grassland, Gujarat
Implementing Agency	State Forest Department, Govt. of Gujarat
Programme Division	NTCA
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name & Designation & contact details. email id)	Mr. S.P.Yadav, IFS The Member Secretary, NTCA, MoEF&CC
Name of Nodal officer of implementing Agency/Institute (Name & Designation & Contact details/email Id)	Mr. N. Srivastava, IFS Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and CWLW B/1 Arnaya Bhawan, near Ch-3 circle, Gandhinagar- 382010 cwlguj@gmail.com +918980755055
Objectives	Establishing the Cheetah population to India: Captive breeding as a method for restoring the Cheetah population is poised to serve as blueprint or biodiversity
Project Duration & Year wise activities	1 st Years: Construction cost of enclosure with chain link fencing Separate of enclosure for female and males Utilization chamber for both male and females cheetah Isolation chamber Habitat improvement Approach road to the breeding centre Veterinary setup in enclosure Creating water facilities Overhead water tank Water concentration within enclosure area Electricity connection 2 nd Years: Gate, Parking Cub rearing enclosure for cheetah Patrolling rout alongside of enclosure Roads and paths inside the enclosure area Office buildings and staff quarters Storage room, Animal monitoring system CCTV, R.O. facilities Solar lights Feeding cost for cheetah Man power for managing the enclosure Veterinary man power for the enclosure Training and workshop, Computers, printers and other devices
Project outlay	Survey and habitat sustainability study Global Cheetah population be conserved
Year wise estimated expenditure	Year 1 st Year Cost (in lakhs per annum approx.) 1470.00

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	2 nd Year	561.00
	Total	2031.00
New or extension/modification of existing scheme	New	
Revised outlay in case of existing scheme/project	NA	
Brief note and justification for seeking financial support from National Fund	<p>India, a land rich in biodiversity & cultural heritage, once shared its landscape with the majestic Cheetah (<i>Acinonyx jubatus venaticus</i>). However, absent from the Indian wilderness for several decades. The story of Cheetah in India is one of the historical significance, conservation efforts & subcontinent was historically home to a thriving population of Cheetahs.</p> <p>Giving all the consideration of GOI towards establishing the cheetah population to India. Both in terms of suitable habitat "Banni grassland, closed do possess an appropriate candidacy and the "Captive Breeding" through establish method.</p>	
Outcomes	Cheetah population got re-establish	
Deliverables (including year wise)	NA	
Recommendation of the Program Division	<p>The NTCA of the MoEFCC has prepared the Scheme/Pilot Project of <i>Conservation breeding of Cheetah (Acinonyx jubatus) in Banni Grassland, Gujarat</i> for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The NTCA will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through State Govt. through NTCA Implementing Agency and the program division will monitor the physical and financial progress of the Scheme/Pilot Project as required under CAF Act 2016 and CAF Rules 2018 and submit the quarterly progress report and annual progress report to National CAMPA. The Program Division will ensure forwarding of Utilization Certificate as and when required.</p>	

Decision of EC: The Member Secretary, NTCA, submitted that proposal shall be re-submitted after site appraisal / suitability study report. Thus, EC deferred the proposal.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

ANY OTHER MATTER WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM 11.1:

SUBJECT: - COMPLIANCE OF ORDER DATED 8TH AUGUST, 2023 OF HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF MADRAS PASSED IN THE MATTER OF W.M.P (MD). NO. 1962 OF 2022 IN WP(MD) NOS. 19771 & 23901 OF 2018, 8222 & 19652 OF 2020 FILED BY THIRU. S. MANOJ IMMANUVEL AND OTHERS-REG.

The CEO, National Authority presented the brief background of the case in which National CAMPA was impleaded as respondent no.104 by Hon'ble Madras High Court by its order dated 8.06.2023 in the above cited case related to relocation of villages from Mudumalai Tiger Reserve. Subsequently an affidavit was filed. However, Hon'ble Madras High Court passed the order on 8.08.2023.

2. NTCA vide letter no. 1-10/2008-NTCA dated 16.08.2023 has informed National CAMPA about the order of the Hon'ble Madras High Court dated 08.08.2023 with following directions: -

i) the respondents no. 104 and 105 to forthwith provide funds by releasing the same to the National Tiger Conservation Authority/103rd respondent, who in turn will release it to the fifth respondent/Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, State of Tamil Nadu, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of the copy of the Order.

(ii) the sum thereof shall be disbursed and the relocation carried out within a period of one month thereafter.

(iii) Call this matter on 10.10.2023 for reporting compliance.

3. In this case respondent no 104 is National Authority CAMPA and Respondent 105 is State CAMPA of Tamil Nadu. NTCA is Respondent No. 103.

4. National CAMPA had filed an affidavit before the Hon High court of Madras vide no. 964948/2023/NA dated 08.06.2023 when the case was heard.

5. BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CASE:

National CAMPA had received letter from National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) no. 1-10/2008-PT dated 31.05.2023 alongwith order of Hon'ble High Court of Madras in no. W.M.P.(MD). No.1962 of 2022 in WP(MD) No.19771 of 2018.

6. High Court of Madras directed that the order has to be complied and the fund may be released with a caveat that if there is any change in the decision on relocation the fund shall be returned back to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India. NTCA requested that necessary funding support for the voluntary relocation of the said village is provided by the CAMPA.

7. Subsequently Hon'ble High Court of Madras at Chennai issued an order dated 8.06.2023 which is related with the matter regarding the rehabilitation of Thengumarahada Villagers in which the Hon'ble Court has impleaded the National Authority, CAMPA represented by its CEO as respondent no.104.

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8. The Hon'ble Court also ordered to issue notices to the newly impleaded respondents (National CAMPA) returnable by 5.07.2023. The matter was posted to be heard on 5.07.2023.

In this connection, it is to apprise that vide its order dated 16.09.2022 the Court ordered as follows:

"The learned Additional Advocate General is directed to take instruction from the Government to the effect that as the entire package of Rs. 15 lakhs/ family has been agreed to be paid by NTCA, whether the State Government is willing to identify certain lands for granting free house pattas to them".

9. Subsequently, in the order dated 16.03.2023, Hon'ble High Court of Madras in Chennai ordered.

"Learned Advocate General is requested to convey the order of the court to the Chief Wildlife Warden, Tamil Nadu, to forthwith send the reply. In event we find that the same is only procedural in nature, already our positive direction to the National Tiger Conservation Authority stands. Upon receipt of the procedural reply which is to be sent by the Chief Wildlife Warden, Tamil Nadu the National Tiger Conservation Authority shall consider the same and pass order releasing the amount within two week therefrom "

10. Consequent upon receipt of this order by NTCA, it sent a letter no. F.No. 1-10/2008-PT dated 31.05.2023 asking funding support from CAMPA for the voluntary relocation of proposal of Mudumalai Tiger Reserve which was responded by National Authority vide its letter no. NA-4/3/2023-NA dated 6.06.2023 wherein it was clearly stated that -

"The Rule 5(2) (h) of CAF Rules, 2018 provide that the NPV Fund of State CAMPA can be utilised for voluntary relocation of villages of protected areas. However, the State has very limited NPV Funds available which would not be sufficient for relocation of villages. These funds should be prioritised for improvement of forests and wildlife habitat for enhancing and compensating of ecosystem services."

11. The National Authority, CAMPA made following submissions before Hon'ble High Court of Madras:

Hon High Court was apprised through Affidavit and further submissions in the form of a letter through Additional Standing Counsel engaged by Authority by filling an affidavit with following content: -

(i) The Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 hereinafter referred as CAF Act, 2016 was enacted by the Parliament on 3rd August, 2016 and the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rules, 2018 were notified on 10th August, 2018. The Compensatory Afforestation Act and Rules came into force on 30th September, 2018 for providing a statutory mechanism for compensating the loss of forest land and ecosystem services due to diversion of forest land under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

(ii) CAMPA funds are to be utilised as per the provisions of the CAF Act for undertaking compensatory afforestation, artificial and assisted natural regeneration to compensate the loss of forest and create and enrich forest biodiversity for improvement in quality of forests and the wildlife habitats including augmentation of fodder and water for wildlife.

(iii) The Compensatory Afforestation funds are meant for raising of site-specific mandatory compensatory afforestation stipulated in the approvals accorded as per the provisions of the Forest



(Conservation) Act, 1980. The funds realised as Net Present Value (NPV) are utilised for improving the quality of forest cover, conservation of biodiversity and enhancement of ecosystem services for compensating the loss of ecosystem services due to diversion of forest land.

(iv) CAMPA funds are an additional fund for compensating the loss of forest land and ecosystem services due to diversion of forest lands for non-forestry purposes and are not to replace normal State funds for administration, protection, and management of forests.

(v) The management, conservation and protection of forests and wildlife, creation and strengthening of forest related infrastructure, mitigation of human-wildlife conflict and other ancillary activities are primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government or Union Territory Administration.

(vi) The permissible items of works and activities under Net Present Value are provided in the Compensatory Afforestation Rules, 2018 (CAF Rules).

The Rule 5(2) (h) of CAF Rules, 2018 provides that the NPV Fund of State CAMPA can be utilised for voluntary relocation of villages of protected areas. However, the State has very limited NPV Fund available which will not be sufficient for relocation of villages. These funds should be prioritised for improvement of forests and wildlife habitat for enhancing and compensating of ecosystem services.

(vii) Further, there is Rs. 4,33,41,998/ available under NPV fund of Tamil Nadu State and the State Government of Tamil Nadu/CEO, State CAMPA has submitted APO for the year 2023-24 which does not indicate utilisation of the above mentioned amount towards relocation of villages from Tiger Reserve as per Rules, 2018.

(ix) Further, there is no provision for spending any fund from the National Fund for relocation of villages from protected areas in the CAF Act,2016.

The provisions under Section (5) of CAF Act, 2016 is given as under: -

Save as otherwise provided in this Act, the monies available in the National Fund shall be disbursed and utilised in the following manner namely: -

(a) ninety per cent of the all monies collected by a State, which has been placed under the ad hoc Authority and the interest accrued thereon, shall be transferred to the State Fund established in such state under sub-section (1) of section 4;

(b) the balance ten per cent of all monies collected by the States and Union territory administrations, which has been placed under the ad hoc Authority and the interest accrued thereon, and all fresh accrual to the National Fund, as provided in sub-section (4) of section 3, and the interest accrued thereon, shall be utilised for meeting

(i) the non-recurring and recurring expenditure for the management of the National Authority including the salary and allowances payable to its officers and other employees;

(ii) the expenditure incurred on monitoring and evaluation of works executed by the National Authority;

(iii) the expenditure incurred on specific schemes approved by governing body of the National Authority.

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Explanation: - For the purpose of this section, "scheme" includes any institute, society centre of excellence in the field of forest and wildlife, pilot schemes, standardisation of codes and guidelines and such other related activities for the forestry and wildlife sector.

(x)Therefore, it was submitted that the State Government should arrange necessary funds from the State budget for the rehabilitation/ relocation of village from the protected area.

Hearing held on 6th June, 2023

On 6th June,2023 the matter was heard in the High Court of Madras. Govt. Counsel had sent a message to appear virtually in the court, so CEO CAMPA appeared. During the course of hearing court read out provisions of WL Protection Act according to which NTCA is supposed to support the relocation of villages from Tiger Reserves, Shri Murali, IG Forests representing NTCA expressed that over the period fund allocation to NTCA was getting reduced, therefore NTCA is also approaching CAMPA for financial support. Hon'ble Court asked views of CEO CAMPA who stated -"that CAMPA is a special act enacted to meet specific purposes of compensating the loss of forest land & ecosystem services due to diversion of forest land.

The CEO, National CAMPA explained the relevant provisions of CAF Act and Rules. He mentioned that NPV has been levied as per direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court and now as per provisions of the CAF Act. Though the CAF rules 5 (b) provide list of activities for utilisation of NPV under and the Rule 5(2)h allows for the voluntary relocation of villages from protected areas. However, fund available with State CAMPA of Tamil Nadu is very limited and even considered by National Authority it would be insufficient to meet requirement.

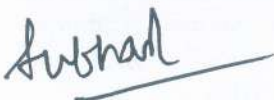
The CEO, National CAMPA submitted before the Hon'ble Court that apart from whatever support is possible from State CAMPA, the State Government should meet the cost of relocation of villages as it is also their primary responsibility.

There were two VC meetings held, one on 11th July and second on 12th July with Government Counsel and Additional Solicitor General Chennai. We had received mail also from Standing counsel wherein it has been mentioned that Hon'ble High Court wants to know the statistics of fund available with National Authority as well as State Authority. In view of VC and mail letter addressed to Senior Penal Counsel was sent.

The Court Case No. W.M.P (MD) No. 1962 of 2022 in WP (MD) No. 19771 of 2018 came up for hearing on 6th July, 2023 after impleading of the National CAMPA as Respondent No. 104 by the Hon'ble Madras High Court regarding support from CAMPA for voluntary relocation of villages from Mudumalai Tiger Reserve. It was explained to the Hon'ble court in the virtual hearing that though the provision for voluntary relocation from NPV exists in the Rule 5 (2) (h) of CAF Rules, 2018.

Kind attention of the Hon'ble Court was invited to the fact that the Compensatory Afforestation fund is meant for raising of site-specific mandatory compensatory afforestation stipulated in the approvals accorded as per the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The funds realised as Net Present Value (NPV) are utilised for improving the quality of forest cover, conservation of biodiversity and enhancement of ecosystem services.

It was emphasised that CAMPA funds are special and additional fund for compensating the loss of forest land and ecosystem services due to diversion of forest lands for non-forestry purposes and are not to replace normal State funds for administration, protection, and management of forests.



The Hon'ble Court was informed that the management, conservation and protection of forests and wildlife, creation and strengthening of forest related infrastructure, mitigation of human-wildlife conflict and other ancillary activities are primary the responsibility of the concerned State Government or Union Territory Administration.

However, the PCCF & CEO, State CAMPA argued before the Hon'ble Court for seeking their intervention for obtaining Financial support from the National Fund. The IGF, NTCA Regional Office, Bangalore who represented NTCA also informed that the funds under Project Tiger have been reduced and it will not be possible for NTCA to meet the expenditure for relocation and informed the Hon'ble Court that NTCA is also dependent on CAMPA funds for its programmes. However, it is pertinent to add that NTCA is supported by a separate CSS and through the mandate of the WLPA, whereas the CAMPA is governed by a separate legislation.

Further, the next hearing was held on 10th July, 2023 wherein the Hon'ble court wanted the view of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change. During the hearing the Authority was represented by Joint CEO, CAMPA and NTCA was represented by its IGF. The IGF, Project Tiger & Elephant also clarified the situation. Hon'ble Court directed for furnishing of availability of funds under CAMPA including National Fund.

Accordingly, the Govt. Counsel was informed vide National Authority letter dated 12th July, 2023 detailing the following fund position which was placed before the Hon'ble High Court in the hearing held on 13th July, 2023.

Status of State Fund (90%) available under CAMPA as on 31.03.2023 is Rs. 20,082.84 crore (Rupees Twenty thousand eighty two crores and eighty four lakhs only).

Details of CAMPA fund of Tamil Nadu:

Deposit upto 7th February, 2019 – Rs. 168.69 crore

Centre share (10% of total deposit)- Rs. 16.86 crore retained by National CAMPA as per CAF Act, 2016.

Total State Share (90% of total deposit) – Rs. 151.82 Crore

Funds released to State CAMPA from interest – Rs. 38.40 crore

Funds transferred to state – Rs. 113.41 crore in August 2019, the details of which are:

- CA – Rs. 31.8 crore
- CAT – Rs. 0.85 crore
- IWMP – Rs. 0.51 crore
- NPV – Rs. 60.02 crore
- Interest – Rs. 6.66 crore
- Others – Rs. 13.47 crore

iii. Current Status of Fund available with National CAMPA in respect of Tamil Nadu State as on 30.06.2023 is Rs.43.45 crore. which include State share (90%) Rs. 39.10 crore, National Authority share (10%) Rs. 4.34 crore. Out of the State share of Rs. 39.10 crore, NPV is Rs.7.71 crore and CA is Rs. 26.57 crore, this amount is yet to be transferred to Tamil Nadu CAMPA.



Present status of NPV (TN CAMPA fund) *

(Rs in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Sub-Head	Available Amount	Amount Approved in APO 2022-23	Financial Achievements as on 31.03.2023	Remaining amount available as on 01.04.2023	Proposed amount in APO 2023-24			Balance Amount
						Revalidation sought	Actual	Total	
1.	Net Present Value	6002.69	2433.19	1894.66	4108.03	488.53	1881.05	2369.58	1738.45

*as received from Tamil Nadu Forest Department; C&AG audit is awaited.

In addition, following was submitted through our Counsel before the Hon'ble High Court-

(i) The voluntary relocation of village from protected areas is governed by Rule 5(2) h of CAF Rule, 2018 this is among one of the thirteen activities prescribed to be carried out by the 80% of NPV fund available with State CAMPA.

(ii) The provision of voluntary relocation of villages from protected areas exists in State Funds, and National Authority has not considered any such proposal under the National Fund. Proposals for such voluntary relocations have been approved from State Fund in respect of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Odisha etc. Therefore, it may not be possible to consider the proposal of Tamil Nadu State Government for providing funding support from National Fund.

(iii) The State Government has primary responsibility for protection, conservation and sustainable management of forest and wildlife and in case there is limited availability of central assistance under Central Sponsored Schemes, it should use State Fund for the purpose.

(iv) The NPV funds have been realised pursuant to the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for compensation of loss of ecosystem services due to diversion of forest land and are to be spent for comprehensive improvement in quality of forests, enrichment of biodiversity and improvement of wildlife habitats.

(v) It was reiterated that CAMPA funds are a special fund realised as Compensatory Levies from User Agencies in lieu of diversion of prime forest land with the main objective of compensating the loss of forest land and ecosystem services. It is an additional fund not meant to replace budgetary support for regular schemes/ programmes of Central/ State Governments. Compensatory Afforestation, restoration of forest landscapes and improvement of ecosystem services require long term commitment, sustained efforts with continuous flow of funds from CAMPA. It is not advisable to exhaust this precious fund expeditiously in activities where other routine/ regular funding support is available in State/ Central Sponsored Schemes.

(vi) CAMPA funds are non-lapsable and interest bearing. Tamil Nadu has not informed how much is the total interest amount accumulated which the Government has deposited annually in State CAMPA Funds on Rs. 113.41 crore transferred in August, 2019.

(vii) National Authority will consider APO of Tamil Nadu received recently (on 07.07.2023) and approve suitable amount as per CAF Rule 5 for the purpose considering all other important activities, spill over and committed liabilities.

(viii). It was submitted that National Fund is used for specific purposes with the approval of the Governing Body on schemes, pilots, monitoring etc. It is not a replacement of normal funding support under Central Sponsored Schemes or any regular / routine Government Schemes/

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Programmes. This also doesn't provide partial funding for such programmes. If this proposal is given a finality by the Hon'ble Court, other States will also start approaching National CAMPA with similar proposals for funding support to their routine schemes/ programmes and the National Fund will be exhausted in no time.

So far, National CAMPA has approved Annual Plan of Operations of the States of Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Odisha for voluntary relocation of villages from the protected areas under NPV component of State Fund according to Rule 5(2) (h) of the CAF Rules, 2018. No fund from National Fund has been approved for such purpose.

Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgement dated 26th September, 2005 in the Writ Petition (Civil No. 202 of 1995) observed that the Fund generated for protecting ecology and providing regeneration should not be treated as a Fund under article 266 and article 283 of the Constitution.

In this connection, the National Authority is seeking all Court orders, relevant documents and pleadings submitted by State Government, State CAMPA and NTCA for taking suitable legal recourse in the matter.

The Executive Committee is requested to consider and take a view in this regard.

DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The Executive Committee discussed the matter in detail in the light of the preamble and relevant provisions of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 and CAF Rules, 2018. The EC held the view that National fund has a different purpose which supports schemes/ pilot projects and are not meant to supplement the activities which are already covered under any scheme of Central or State Governments. In the instant case there is already a centrally sponsored scheme of Project Tiger which also supports the relocation of villages. However, it has been noticed that the State Government has never made any attempt to seek financial support under the centrally sponsored scheme for the said purpose. The primary responsibility of relocation of villages lies with the State Governments and the role of the Central Government is limited to providing policy support as well as through Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

It was reiterated that the CAMPA funds are an additional fund for compensating the loss of forest land and ecosystem services due to diversion of forest lands for non-forestry purposes and are not to replace normal State funds for administration, protection, and management of forests. Providing financial support from National Fund for the purpose of relocation of villages will set a wrong precedence which would also constitute as deviating from the cardinal principle on which the CAF Act, 2016 has been enacted and is violative of the letter and spirit of Supreme Court' Orders in this regard.

The Executive Committee thus directed CEO, National CAMPA to obtain legal opinion and based on the same, and if advised, approach the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for appropriate relief, in the said matter.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

(THE AGENDA WAS RECEIVED ON 28.08.2023, PLACED WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR)

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 11.2: ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION (APO) OF MANIPUR STATE CAMPA FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24:

1. Date of Receipt: **28.08.2023**
2. Date of approval of EC of State/UT: **14th August, 2023**
3. Date of approval of the Steering Committee: **22nd August, 2023**
4. Total Amount/Outlay: **Rs. 21.84809 crores**
5. Funds status with the State/UT along with outlay proposed

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	CAMPA Activity	Fund Available with the State/ UT as on 01.04.2023	Outlay proposed during current FY
1	Mandatory Activities		
	CA/PCA/Additional CA	42.769	1.77696
	Catchment Area Treatment Plan	21.891	2.37573
	Integrated Wildlife Management Plan	00.097	0.05938
	Others		0.24414
2.	Net Present Value	122.662	17.33188
3.	Interest	7.449	0.06
4.	Other Components	8.44	0
	Total	203.308	21.84809

6. Funds released by State Government during the FY

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Total Outlay of the APO	APO approved by National Authority during current financial year	Fund released by State Government	Fund Utilised by State Authority
2018 – 19	27.95	24.85	24.85	24.85
2019 – 20	30.97	30.97	30.97	30.97
2020 – 21	27.878	27.79	27.79	27.79
2021 – 22	25.099	25.099	25.099	25.099
2022 - 23	22.59	22.59	22.59	22.59

7. Status of Compensatory Afforestation

Afforestation required as per site specific scheme submitted along with approved proposal for diversion of forest land under FC Act, 1980 till 31.3.2022			Afforestation carried out in the State as per site specific scheme till 2022 – 23			Afforestation to be carried out in 2023 – 24	Afforestation carried out percentage	Total balance upto 2024 – 25
CA	PCA	(CA+PCA)	CA	PCA	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)	(CA+PCA)
5696.22	739.49	6435.71	5585.22	520.14	6105.36	330.35	94.87	NA

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8. Balance afforestation status

Balance Afforestation required as per FC Act (in ha.)	Balance Afforestation to be completed in Financial Year (in ha)		
	2023 – 24	2024 – 25	2025 – 26
330.35	219.35	111	NA

9. Details of APO are as under

(Amount Rs. in crores and Area in ha.)

Sl. No	CAF Act/ Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. target	
1.	Site-specific activities as per Section 6(a) of the CAF Act, 2016				
	Mandatory Activity	Compensatory Afforestation (CA/ACA/PCA)			
		i. Advance Work (soil work & Nursery Raising)	219.35	0.755	Approved
		ii. Maintenance of existing/ older plantation	1082.112	0.102	Approved
		Catchment Area Treatment Plan			
		i) Watershed management			
		a) Brushwood Check Dams	30 Nos.	0.09	Approved
		ii) Plantation to check erosion			
		a) Advance work (NTFP Regeneration)	10	0.32	Approved
		b) Maintenance of existing/ older plantation (Mixed plantation)	3375	1.55	Approved
		iii) Forest Infrastructure		0.30	Approved
		iv) Monitoring & Contingency		0.40	Approved
		Integrated Wildlife Management Plan			
		Habitat management for flora and fauna (Food/ cover/ water management)			
		a. Advance Work (ANR)	25	0.25	Approved
		b. Weed removal	3	0.007	Approved
		c. Construction of water hole	1	0.003	Approved
		d. Awareness Programme	1	0.003	Approved
		Other (Site specific activities in accordance with FC proposal)			
		A) Dwarf Plantation			
	Mandatory Activity	i. Advance work (Soil work & Nursery raising)	77.75	0.244	Approved
		B) Impact Mitigation and Wildlife Action Plan			
		i) Advance work for ANR	25	0.436	Approved
		ii) Weed removal	3	0.007	Approved
		iii) Construction of water hole	1	0.003	Approved

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Sl. No	CAF Act/ Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. target	
		iii. Eco-Development (Erection of sign board, providing piggery and awareness program)		0.003	Approved
2	Activity as per Rule 5(2) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	5(2)(a)	ANR			
		i) Advance work & Creation	505	1.57	Approved
		iii) Maintenance	1780	1.27	Approved
	5(2)(b)	AR			
		i) Advance soil work	260	0.85	Approved
		ii) New plantation	830	2.15	Approved
		iii) Maintenance	7205	6.89	Approved
	5(2)(d)	Protection of Plantations and forests			
		i) Purchase of equipment relevant for patrolling.	4 Nos.	0.10	Approved
	5(2)(f)	Forest fire prevention and control operations			
		i) Formation of village Forest Fire Committee in every division		0.42	Approved
		ii) Setting up Control Room & GIS Support Cell, purchase/hiring of vehicle/ motorcycles etc.		0.40	Approved
	5(2)(g)	Soil and moisture conservation works			
		i) Water bodies (name & size) a. Ponds b. Trenches		0.80	Approved
3	Activities as per Rule 5(3) of the CAF Rule, 2018				
	5(3)(c)	Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)			
		i) Arc GIS license	2	0.80	Approved
		ii) GPS	40		Approved
		iii) Workstation with printers	2		Approved
	5(3)(h)	Independent concurrent monitoring and Third party monitoring and evaluation			
		i) Independent concurrent monitoring		0.14	Approved
		ii) Third party monitoring and evaluation		0.08	Approved

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Sl. No	CAF Act/ Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks
			Phy. Target	Fin. target	
	5(3)(i)	Publicity cum awareness programme			Approved
		i) Publicity for common people		0.24	Approved
		ii) Training for staff			
4	Activities as per Rule 6(a) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(a)(iv)	For disbursement of salary and allowances State CAMPA Authority & staff		0.03	Approved
5	Activities as per Rule 6(b) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6(b)(i)	Management of office establishment State CAMPA CEO with detail		0.03	Approved
	6(b)(ii)	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance			Approved
		Grand total (approved amount)		20.26	

Decision of the EC: The EC approved the APO of Manipur with modifications.

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