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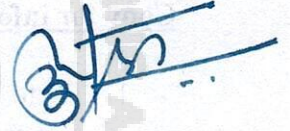
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दिनांक \Dated: 14th October, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Please find enclosed herewith the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Governing Body of National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority held on 24th September, 2025 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Encl. as above



(Anand Mohan)

CEO & Member Secretary

Governing Body, National Authority, CAMPA

To: (All the Members of Governing Body)

1. The Chief Executive Officer, National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Ayog, Government of India.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
3. The Secretary, Ministry of Finance (Expenditure), Government of India, New Delhi.
4. The Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, New Delhi.
5. The Secretary, Department of Land Resources, Government of India, New Delhi.
6. The Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi.
7. The Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India, New Delhi.
8. The Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi.
9. The Secretary, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India, New Delhi.
10. The Secretary, Department of Space, Government of India, New Delhi.
11. The Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India, New Delhi.
12. The PCCF & HoFF, Aranya Bhawan, Government of Telangana.

13. The PCCF & HoFF, Forest, Environment & Climate Change, Government of Odisha.
14. The PCCF & HoFF, Government of Uttar Pradesh.
15. The PCCF & HoFF, Forest Resource Management Centre, Jammu & Kashmir.
16. The PCCF & HoFF, Government of Gujarat.
17. The Additional Director General of Forests (Forest Conservation), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
18. The Additional Director General of Forests (Wildlife), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
19. The Mission Director, National Mission for a Green India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
20. The Financial Advisor, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
21. The Member Secretary, CZA, Government of India, New Delhi
22. The Expert Members of the Governing Body-
 - (i) Dr. Gopal Singh Rawat (Environmentalism)
 - (ii) Dr. Satyawand Singh Garbyal (Conservationist)
 - (iii) Shri Ashwini Kumar (Scientist)
 - (iv) Dr. Himanshu Rai (Economist)
 - (v) Shri Girish Kumar (Social Scientist)
23. Guard File.

Copy for information:

1. PS to Hon'ble Union Minister, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi & Chairman, Governing Body.
2. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
3. PSO to Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
4. PSO to DGF&SS, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.

MINUTES OF 6TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE NATIONAL COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION FUND MANAGEMENT & PLANNING AUTHORITY HELD ON 24.09.2025

Venue: Teesta Hall, 1st Floor, Vayu Wing, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, New Delhi

Date & Time: 24th September, 2025, 2:00 PM

The 6th Meeting of the Governing Body was held under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Union Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (HMEF&CC), Chairman, Governing Body of National Authority. The list of the members and other participants who attended the meeting is attached at **Annexure-A**.

2. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the National Authority welcomed the HMEF&CC, Chairperson of the Governing Body, Hon'ble Minister of State, EF&CC, Secretary, EF&CC, DGF&SS and all other members of Governing Body present in the meeting.

3. With the permission of the Chairman, Agenda Items for the meeting were taken up for detailed discussion.

AGENDA ITEM NO.1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 5th MEETING OF GOVENRING BODY OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY HELD ON 01.08.2024

The CEO, National Authority for confirmation by the Governing Body, placed the minutes of 5th meeting of Governing Body. He informed that the minutes were circulated to the members vide this office letter no. NA-5/10/2022-NA dated 27.08.2024 and no comments were received.

Decision of the Governing Body: The minutes of the 5th meeting of the Governing Body was confirmed by the Governing Body.

AGENDA ITEM NO.2: ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR) ON THE ACTIONABLE POINTS OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE 5th MEETING OF GOVERNING BODY OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY

The action taken report on the actionable points on the decisions taken in the 5th meeting of the Governing Body of National Authority was presented. The details of deliberations and decisions on them are as follows:

2.1. Status of reconciliation of project wise Compensatory Afforestation since 1980 carried out against each forest land diversion proposal:

The CEO, National Authority informed that the reconciliation of data on compensatory afforestation created against each forest land diversion proposal since 1980 was initiated for ensuring compliance of the terms and conditions of Forest Conservation approvals accorded by the Central Government.

The CEO, National Authority informed that, project -wise vetted reconciled data of CA from the Regional Office has been received from ten (10) States/UTs namely, **Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Odisha, Telangana, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh**. While the nineteen (19) States/UTs namely, **Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chandigarh, Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Ladakh, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Punjab, Sikkim, Uttarakhand and West Bengal** are in process of getting the CA data vetted by the concerned Regional Offices. However, the three



States/UTs namely **Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Kerala & Tamil Nadu** have provided inconsistent information, and these States/UT have been communicated to take corrective steps expeditiously.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information.

2.2. Timely release of funds to the State Forest Departments

The CEO, National Authority informed that there has been significant improvement in fund released by the State Governments to their respective State Forest Departments for carrying out timely CAMPA activities w.r.t the fund to be utilised for Annual Plan of Operations approved by National Authority.

Decisions of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information.

2.3. Status of Development of Model Nurseries

The CEO, National Authority briefed that the States/UTs were advised to plan in advance for raising saplings of local indigenous tree species in the nurseries to meet the requirement of people under the tree plantation campaign "*Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam*". He informed that the National Authority has approved **Rs. 46.94 crore** for creation of **210 Model Nurseries** for the State Forest Department of various States/UTs during the financial year 2024-25.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information.

2.4. Status of C&AG Audit of National CAMPA

The CEO, National Authority informed the Governing Body that, C&AG Audit of the Annual Accounts of Authority for the Financial Year 2023-24 has been completed and certified. Further he also apprised the Governing Body that the C&AG Audit of Annual Accounts of National Authority for the financial year 2024-25 has been completed and the draft Separate Audit Report (SAR) has just been received. The final certificate of this audit (i.e. for FY2024-25) is awaited.

Decisions of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the status of C&AG Audits.

2.5. Update on the Mission MISHTI

The CEO, National Authority informed that an amount of Rs 100.00 crore for five years has been approved under Mission "Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes" (MISHTI). In last two years, the MISHTI scheme has been implemented in six (06) States/ UTs of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Kerala, Odisha, Puducherry and West Bengal for which National Authority has released an amount of Rs.64.42 crore.

Decisions of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of MISHTI Scheme.

2.6. Update on Nagar Van

The CEO, National Authority informed that total 547 Nagar Vans & Vatikas have been approved in all States/UTs and an amount of Rs 444.42 crore has been released, till date. The CEO, National

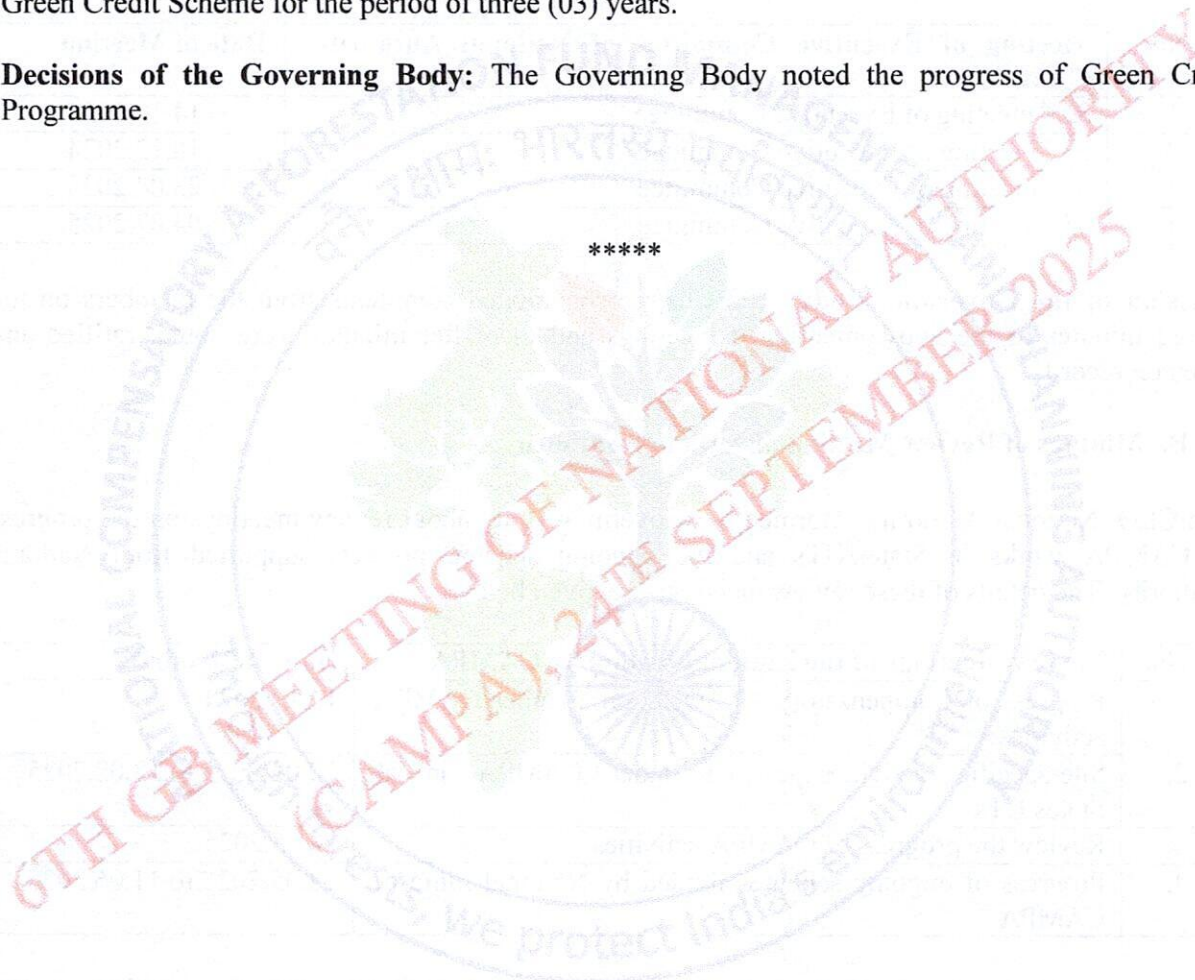
Authority also informed that the 53 number of new Nagar Van projects have been approved under Nagar Van Yojana in the current FY 2025-26.

Decisions of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Nagar Van Yojana.

2.7. CAMPA Support to Green Credit Scheme

The CEO, National Authority briefed that the Green Credit Programme promote activities for increasing the green cover across the country through tree plantation and also about the related activities. He apprised that the National Authority has approved Rs. 10.00 crore for supporting Green Credit Scheme for the period of three (03) years.

Decisions of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Green Credit Programme.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: FOR INFORMATION OF THE GOVERNING BODY

A. Minutes of Meetings of Executive Committee:

The CEO, National Authority informed the Governing Body that after the 5th meeting of the Governing Body, four meetings (32nd to 35th) of the Executive Committee of National CAMPA were conducted under the chairmanship of DGF&SS. The minutes of these meetings were sent to all the members and also placed for the perusal of the Governing Body. The details of EC meetings are given below:

S. No.	Meeting of Executive Committee of National Authority CAMPA	Date of Meeting
1.	32 nd meeting of Executive Committee	14.10.2024
2.	33 rd meeting of Executive Committee	18.12.2024
3.	34 th meeting of Executive Committee	23.04.2025
4.	35 th meeting of Executive Committee	04.07.2025

Decision of the Governing Body: The Chairperson invited comments from the members on the shared minutes of the above-mentioned meetings and thereafter minutes were noted, ratified and taken on record.

B. Minutes of Review Meeting of National Authority:

The CEO, National Authority informed the Governing Body about review meetings on the progress of CAMPA works in States/UTs and the ongoing schemes/projects supported from National Authority. The details of these review meetings are given below:

S. No.	Review Meetings of the National Authority CAMPA	Date of Meeting
1.	Progress of Compensatory Afforestation & other CAMPA activities	14.10.2024
2.	Site-specific activities carried under CAMPA in all States/UTs	10.02.2025 to 13.02.2025
3.	Review the progress of CAMPA activities	28.05.2025
4.	Progress of ongoing schemes funded by National Fund of CAMPA	28.05.2025 to 11.06.2025

Decision of the Governing Body: The Chairperson invited comments from the members on the shared minutes of the above-mentioned meetings and thereafter minutes were noted, ratified and taken on record.

C. Status of CAMPA Funds Received, Transferred and Utilized:

- i) **CAMPA funds received and transferred during 2024-25:** The CEO, National Authority briefed that an amount of **Rs. 8,319.32 crore** of compensatory levies were deposited with the National Authority by various User Agencies in compliance of approvals granted under the Forest Conservation Act (FCA), 1980 during the financial year 2024-25. Funds received from 'Ad-hoc CAMPA' phase i.e. **Rs. 54,685.00 crore** accumulated upto the period 31.03.2018 and funds received from 01.04.2018 to 31.03.2025 in the 'CAMPA (post enactment of the CAF Act 2016) phase were **Rs. 43,211.13 crore**. Thus, total receipts of **Rs. 97,896.13 crore** till

31.03.2025 were credited to the Public Account. The total fund transferred to States/UTs from 2018-19 to 2024-25 is **Rs.78,811.90 crore** and an amount of **Rs. 12,283.28 crore** was transferred during the last Financial Year 2024-25.

- ii) **APO of 32 States/UTs Authorities approved for the year 2024-25:** The CEO, National Authority informed the Governing Body that the Executive Committee has approved Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) of 32 States/UTs for an amount of **Rs. 7554.07 crore** during the financial year 2024-25 for carrying out approved activities.
- iii) **Update on CAMPA funds released by various States/UTs Government to the Forest Department against approved APOs in the FY 2024-25:** The CEO, National Authority informed the Governing Body that the State/UT Governments has released an amount of **Rs 6622.49 crore** out of which **Rs. 5314.00 crore** has been utilised by the States/UTs for financial year 2024-25. Overall, the States/UTs released funds 87.67% of the approved APOs outlay and the States/UTs could effectively utilize 70% of the total approved APOs outlay. CEO, National Authority highlighted this issue.

Decision of the Governing Body: The information was noted by the Governing Body.

D. Status of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) activities under CAMPA

- i) **Physical & financial targets approved by National Authority for Compensatory Afforestation for the FY 2024-25:** National Authority has given highest priority for completion of committed Compensatory Afforestation and pursuing with States/UTs CAMPA to complete all pending CA. The National Authority has approved **Rs. 432.05 crore** for the proposed physical target of **35567.85 ha** during the financial year 2024-25 for creation of new plantation under Compensatory Afforestation.
- ii) **Status of Reconciliation of Compensatory Afforestation from 1980 to 2024-25:** The CEO, National Authority informed that project wise reconciliation of forest area diversion and status of Compensatory Afforestation data has been furnished by all the States/UTs to National Authority, except for the State of Bihar.
 - a) Out of these States/ UTs, project -wise vetted reconciled data of CA from the Regional Office has been received from ten (10) States/UTs namely, **Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jammu & Kashmir Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Odisha, Telangana, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh.**
 - b) While nineteen (19) States/UTs namely, **Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Chandigarh, Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Ladakh, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Punjab, Sikkim, Uttarakhand and West Bengal** are in the process of getting the CA data vetted by the concerned Regional Offices.
 - c) However, the information received for three States/UTs namely **Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Kerala & Tamil Nadu** from their concerned IROs is incomplete and inconsistent. The States/UT have been requested to take corrective steps expeditiously.

Decision of the Governing Body: The information was noted by the Governing Body.

E. Status of NPV activities under CAMPA for FY 2024-25

The CEO National Authority apprised the Governing Body on the physical and financial progress of CAMPA activities including Assisted Natural Regeneration (ANR), Artificial Regeneration (AR), Improvement of Wildlife Habitat, Forest Fire Prevention & Control measures, Soil and Moisture Conservation Works and Model Nurseries under NPV. The details of above-mentioned activities are given as below:

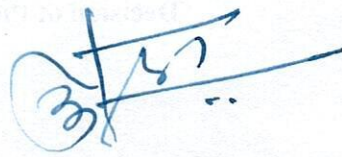
- i. **Physical & financial target approved by National Authority for Assisted Natural Regeneration:** The National Authority approved Rs. 135.36 crore to carry out Assisted Natural Regeneration (ANR) activities in 29427.13 ha during financial year 2024-25.
- ii. **Physical & financial target approved by National Authority for Artificial Regeneration:** The National Authority approved Rs. 262.30 crore to carry out Artificial Regeneration (AR) activities in 53882.50 ha during financial year 2024-25.
- iii. **Physical & financial target approved by National Authority for Improvement of Wildlife habitat:** The National Authority has approved Rs. 289.20 crore to States/UTs for Improvement of Wildlife habitat during financial year 2024-25.
- iv. **Physical & financial target activities undertaken in fire prevention & control:** National Authority has approved an amount of Rs. 172.79 crore for Forest Fire Prevention and Control in Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) of various States/UTs for the year 2024-25.
- v. **Physical & financial target approved by National Authority Soil Moisture Conservation Works:** National Authority has approved Rs. 113.023 crore for Soil Moisture Conservation activities in forest areas under NPV component of various States/UTs for the year 2024-25.
- vi. **Physical & financial target approved by National Authority Model Nurseries by State Forest Departments:** The National Authority has approved Rs. 46.94 crore for creation of 210 Model Nurseries in various States/UTs during the financial year 2024-25

Decision of the Governing Body: The information was noted by the Governing Body.

F. APOs approved by National Authority during financial year 2025-26

The States'/UTs' CAMPA Authorities submitted their Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) for the financial year 2025-26 to the National Authority for approval. The Executive Committee of the National Authority approved APOs of 31 States/UTs (except for Bihar) for an amount of Rs. 8550.31 crore for carrying out plantation activities and other CAMPA activities.

Decision of the Governing Body: The information was noted by the Governing Body.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: AUDIT OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY CAMPA CONDUCTED BY C&AG OF INDIA

A. Separate Audit Report (SAR) of Annual Account for the year 2023-24 for apprising.

The Annual Accounts of National Authority for the period 2023-24 have been audited by C&AG's Audit Party. The final Certification Report i.e. Separate Audit Report (SAR) for the period 2023-24 has been received in National Authority. The following comments have been offered in the SAR:

1. **Balance Sheet:** Overstatement of assets and liabilities

Based on the information furnished by the National Authority during the audit, an amount of Rs. 266.90 crore pertaining to releases and refunds made by National Authority in 2018-19 and 2019-20, but not included as payments in its accounts, was identified. The same needs to be accounted for in the annual accounts to enable the reconciliation of balance to that extent. This had resulted in overstatement of liabilities as well as overstatement of assets both by Rs. 266.90 crore.

2. **Income and Expenditure Account-** Nil

3. **Receipt and Payment Account-** Nil

4. **Accounting Policies-** Nil

5. *"In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the said financial statements read together with the Accounting Policies and Notes on Accounts, and subject to the significant matters stated and other matters mentioned in Annexure to this Audit Report give true and fair view in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in India.*

(a) In so far as it related to the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the National Authority CAMPA, Delhi as on 31st March 2024 and

(b) In as far as it is related to Income & Expenditure Accounts, of the surplus for the year ended on that date."

6. The office of DG(Audit) in their letter dated 29.10.2024 has given the following advice:

"I have audited the annual accounts of National Authority CAMPA, New Delhi for the year 2023-24 and have issued the Audit Report thereon vide letter dated. 29.10.2024. During the course of audit, some deficiencies were noticed (as per Annexure- A) which are of a relatively minor nature and were, therefore, not included in the audit report. These are being brought to your notice for remedial and corrective action."

7. Further, the DG, Audit has commented on '**Loss of interest due to non-investment of surplus balance of National Fund**' in the Para 4 of Annexure A, which is due to lower rate of interest rate prescribed by the Ministry of Finance on Public Accounts of India, which is also applied by the States/UTs on the State CAMPA Funds being maintained in the Public Accounts of the concerned State/UT.

8. The DG, Audit has observed that this interest rate is low and insufficient to even compensate for the prevailing inflation rate in the economy, thereby resulting in National Authority receiving a negative real rate of interest and causing an erosion of the fund in real terms. It is also mentioned that the Central Government is also paying National Authority a significantly lower rate of interest vis-à-vis the interest it pays to subscribers of Central Government securities.

The money in National Fund, including the interest, is to be utilized for meeting the expenditure for the management of the National Authority, expenditure on monitoring and evaluation of works executed by National and State Authorities as well as incurring expenditure on schemes approved by governing body of the National Authority. Thus, a positive real rate of interest becomes critical for the sustainable growth of the National Fund to meet the above mentioned requirements.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Chairperson invited comments of the members on the Separate Audit Report (SAR) of Annual Account for the year 2023-24. The Governing Body approved the Annual Accounts of the National Authority for the financial year 2023-24 and noted the information.

B. Submission of the Annual Accounts of National Authority for the Financial Year 2024-25 for apprising.

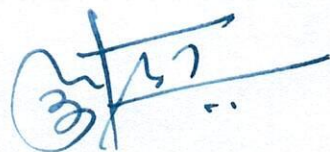
The Annual Accounts of the National Authority for the financial year 2024-25 were submitted to the C&AG for audit and Certification. The C&AG Audit Team has undertaken annual audit of accounts of National Authority from 16.07.2025 to 07.08.2025. The Annual Accounts of 2024-25 of the National Authority are placed for perusal of the Governing Body and are placed below the Agenda Note.

During 2024-25, out of Rs. 18,061.60 crore, National Authority has transferred an amount of Rs. 12,283.28 crore (reconciled upto the period 31.08.2025) to 33 States/ UTs.

As on 31.03.2025, there is a balance of Rs. 10,845.42 crore under Major Head- 8121 (10% portion i.e. National Fund) and Rs. 13,173.00 crore under Major Head- 8336 (90% portion i.e. All States Accounts) in Public Account of India as per Balance Sheet of National Authority.

Provisional (not final) Separate Audit Report has been received from Office of Director General of Audit, Central Expenditure, Environment & Scientific Departments. The comments of National Authority also have been communicated to audit on 18.09.2025. Final Separate Audit Report from C&AG Office is yet to be received.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information on the Annual Accounts of National Authority CAMPA for the financial year 2024-25.



AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: MAJOR INITIATIVE OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY CAMPA

(i) Status of Implementation of Nagar Van Yojana.

National Afforestation and Eco-development Board is implementing Nagar Van Yojana (NVY) since 2020 which envisages developing 1000 Nagar Vans/Vatikas in the country during the period of 2020-21 to 2026-27. National Authority has released **Rs. 444.42 crore** for development of **547 Nagar Vans/Vatikas** till date. In the current FY 2025-26, a total of 53 new Nagar Van projects have been approved under Nagar Van Yojana.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Nagar Van Yojana implemented in States/UTs.

(ii) Status of Implementation of MISHTI.

The “Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes (MISHTI)” has been launched on 5th June 2024 to restore and promote mangroves as unique, natural ecosystem and for preserving and enhancing the sustainability of the coastal habitats. The objective of MISHTI is to “restore mangrove forests” by undertaking mangrove reforestation/afforestation measures along the coast of India.

CAMPA is supporting restoration, conservation and management of mangroves across the Country by providing funds to forest departments of coastal States and Union Territories. CAMPA has kept a provision of **Rs. 100.00 crore** for implementation (2023-24) of Mission MISHTI, a five-year conservation programme for eleven (11) coastal States and two Union Territories, out of which **Rs. 64.42 crore** has been released to Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Kerala, Odisha, Puducherry and West Bengal.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Mission MISHTI. The HMEF&CC directed FSI to monitor the canopy cover of the mangrove plantation taken up under Mission MISHTI.

(iii) Digital Portal for Annual Plan of Operations

The Digital Annual Plan of Operation (APO), developed as part of the PARIVESH 2.0 portal is an initiative aimed at transforming the preparation and submission processes of APOs under CAMPA in a complete digital mode. The portal can be accessed either by using the link- www.nationalcampa.nic.in or by using the link: <https://parivesh.nic.in/parivesh-ua/#/>.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Digital Portal for Annual Plan of Operations.

(iv) Guidelines for Annual Plan of Operations under CAF Act, 2016 & Rules, 2018

The Guidelines on Annual Plan of Operations under CAF Act, 2016 & Rules, 2018 is placed for information of Governing Body.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information.

(v) Official Website of National Authority CAMPA

The official website cum Management Information System (MIS) for dynamic information handling has been developed in-house and can be accessed using the link- www.nationalcampa.nic.in highlighting CAMPA and other related activity works.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of official website of National Authority CAMPA.

(vi) Development of Nursery Portal

The Nursery Portal for the National Authority CAMPA to showcase the nurseries of forest departments across the country has been in-house developed. The portal can be accessed using the link- www.nationalcampa.nic.in/nursery. A total number of 1464 nurseries have been registered across the country. As reflected on this portal as on 06th March 2025, a total of 1,41,11,605 seedlings are available in the nursery out of which 1,09,97,884 seedlings are available for distribution. In this regard, an important feature about the "Online System for the Traceability of Planting Material" has also been added with the support of consultative partner organisation FAO, New Delhi.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information on nursery portal.

(vii) Status of Implementation of Green Credit Scheme

CAMPA Support for Green Credit Scheme (HSM Division & ICFRE). Green Credit Programme promote activities for increasing the green cover across the country through tree plantation and related activities. To promote sectoral level water conservation, water harvesting and water use efficiency/savings, including treatment and reuse of wastewater. National Authority has released **Rs. 6.28 crore** to ICFRE till date.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Green Credit Programme. The HMEF&CC directed FSI to monitor the canopy cover of the plantation taken up under Green Credit Scheme.

(viii) Guidelines for proposing projects for financial Support from the National Fund

The Guidelines for proposing projects for financial Support from the National Fund (as stipulated 5(b)iii of CAF Act, 2016 is placed for information of Governing Body.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: MISCELLANEOUS PROPOSALS OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY CAMPA

(I) FLOW OF FUNDS WITH NATIONAL AUTHORITY CAMPA

The Section 4 of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 (CAF Act) provides that all monies realised from various User Agencies towards Compensatory Afforestation, Penal CA, Net Present Value, Catchment Area treatment plan and under various provisions of Wildlife protection Act (in lieu of the diversion of forest lands under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 now known as the Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 should be credited into the State Fund maintained by State Compensatory Authority and then the ten percent of the amount should be transferred to National Authority CAMPA fund by each State on yearly basis.

2. On the direction of Hon'ble Apex Court, Compensatory levies are realised from the User Agencies for Compensatory Plantation, Penal Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value (NPV), Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) etc from the user agencies. To manage these funds initially an adhoc-Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (adhoc-CAMPA) was constituted and all the fund received from various User Agencies in respective States and UTs in lieu of diversion of forest land was transferred to the Adhoc-CAMPA in 2009. Later, when CAMPA was constituted in 2016, all the fund available were transferred to the National Authority CAMPA.

3. The National Authority CAMPA is continuing with the existing procedure of depositing the receipt of compensatory levies realised from the user agencies in lieu of the diversion of forest lands under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 now known as the Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023 to Public Accounts channelizing through dedicated State/UT Specific Savings Bank Accounts maintained in the Union Bank of India for the following reasons:

a) The compensatory levies are linked with the process of approval of Forest Clearances accorded by the Ministry in accordance with the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 now known as the Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Adhiniyam, 2023. The realisation of compensatory levies is required in compliance of the conditions of Stage-I clearance and only after the confirmation of this statutory requirement, Stage-II or Final approval for diversion of forest land is given by the Ministry.

b) The compensatory levies are realised for different projects from various user agencies under different components such as mandatory Compensatory afforestation, Integrated Wildlife Management Plan, Catchment Area Treatment Plan, NPV and others, which are to be utilised for different purposes and specific activities as per the provisions of the CAF Act and Rules. Hence, in the initial stage, the reconciliation is essentially required for proper accounting and avoiding confusion at later stages, maintaining fiscal discipline & integrity of CAMPA funds and transparency in the process. To address proper reconciliation of the deposited compensatory levies, these amounts are initially provisioned to be routed through State Specific Bank Accounts as a purely temporary measure. After the project and component wise reconciliation, the State CAMPA Funds are transferred to the Public Accounts of the Union and from which to the respective States/UTs Public Accounts. 28

4. It is also to mention that the information on the receipt of Compensatory levies is one of the essential conditions of Stage-I approval to be complied by the User Agencies before seeking final approval of the Central Government. This deviation from the provisions of the CAF Act,



2016 & its Rules, 2018 was also brought before the Governing Body which has approved this financial arrangement in the 4th Meeting.

5. However, the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 and Rules, thereunder provide collection of compensatory levies by the States and UTs and then transfer 10% of the National Authority CAMPA share to the National Authority CAMPA. This provision has its limitations. i. Firstly, it makes it difficult to reconcile the data of compensatory levies project proposal and Head-wise (CA, Integrated Wildlife Management Plan, Catchment Area Treatment Plan, NPV and others) and may lead to delay in processing of the forest diversion cases seeking second stage of FC clearances. ii. Secondly, it has been noticed that many States are not following the fiscal discipline and delay release of funds to State Forest Department against the approved APOs for implementation of time bound and seasonal activities viz. compensatory afforestation and other CAMPA. iii. Thirdly, State CAMPA as an institution has not properly evolved in many of the States/UTs to function as required by the CAF Act, 2016.

6. The PARIVESH 2.0 Portal is almost fully functional now with additional features. It is proposed that the Compensatory levies realized from User Agencies received through the Portal is instantly divided into 90% of the State Share and 10% of the National Fund share to be transferred immediately to concerned State/UT Government Public Account and to the Public Account of India respectively. This arrangement, apart from meeting the requirement of the CAF Act 2016, may also bring more efficiency and promptness in processing of forest clearance proposals.

7. The opinion of the Ministry of Law & Justice was sought as to whether the proposed arrangement of simultaneous transfer of National & State Share will amount to implementation of the CAF Act or some other arrangements are required to be made.

8. MoLJ during last week of October 2024 replied that in the light of the provisions of the section 3 & 4 of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 r/w Section 2(I), Central Government may make rules to manage and regulate National Fund as well as State Fund in consultation with the State Government, respectively. Since, there appears to be no substantial change in the scheme of the Act by the proposed arrangement, therefore, Central Government may regulate the procedure under Section 3 & 4 in consonance with the provisions of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016.

The proposal was placed in the Executive Committee in its 33rd meeting held on 18.12.2024 as agenda item no. 13 and the EC noted the information.

9. Further, a meeting on the issues related to the flow of funds was held on 14th August, 2025 under the Chairmanship of the Secretary, MoEF&CC. The Secretary, MoEF&CC directed that, until the fund flow process with Bharat Kosh is fully established, the existing National Authority CAMPA fund flow mechanism shall continue to be followed as already approved in the 4th meeting of the Governing Body, National Authority, CAMPA held on 29.12.2023. National Authority CAMPA may formulate Standing Instructions to facilitate the distribution of 90% and 10% of funds to State and National Authority CAMPA accounts, respectively, and explore integration of alerts for deposited/transferred funds. Test runs of the Bharat Kosh mechanism must be carried out.

10. In continuation, another meeting was held on 25th August, 2025 under the Chairmanship of the Chief Executive Officer, National Authority, to discuss the modalities and processes regarding the transfer of funds/receipts (compensatory levies) from FCA clearances (National Compensatory Afforestation Deposits) to the Public Account of India through the National e-Payment Gateway. Bharat Kosh. It was decided that the user agency shall initiate the

transaction in the PARIVESH 2.0 Portal, where the bifurcation of the funds deposited by the User Agencies between the States/UTs CAMPA Authority and National Authority CAMPA Authority, in the ratio 90% and 10%, respectively will be done in the PARIVESH 2.0 Portal. It was decided that the office of CGA, Ministry of Finance & CCA, MoEF&CC will coordinate to provide the facility and develop a robust mechanism for timely receipt and transfer of funds at the earliest. The mechanism shall include defined timelines for payments to States/UTs CAMPA Authorities' Public Account. National Authority CAMPA Authority will also be provided with a MIS facility through the PFMS/Bharat Kosh system to collect and verify transaction details on a daily basis.

In this connection, the office of CG of Civil Accounts, Ministry of Finance has mentioned about working expeditiously on the following processes:

- a) *The modified process flow and accounting modalities regarding transfer of funds/receipts from FCA clearances to the Public Account of India by using Bharatkosh has been referred to the Technical Advice (TA) section, O/o CGA, for their comments.*
- b) *The technical framework for fund transfer from the Centre to States through PFMS is under development. Integration between the PARIVESH Portal and PFMS will be required to enable auto-population of data captured in PARIVESH portal into the PD Checker login of PFMS. On receiving the approval from the Competent Authority, the development and testing with PFMS Portal are expected to be completed within 2-3 weeks on the UAT environment, prior to migration to the production environment.*
- c) *The integration between PARIVESH portal and Bharatkosh also needs to be modified as per the apportionment. The technical team of PARIVESH portal may co-ordinate with the Bharatkosh Technical Team for revamping of the modalities of the integration.*

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the information.

(II) INVESTMENT OF SURPLUS FUNDS

The Comptroller & Auditor General of India (C&AG) being the sole Auditor of National Authority CAMPA in its Separate Audit Report for the period 2023-24 written a para on 'Loss of interest due to non- investment of surplus balance of National Fund' questioning the significantly lower rate of interest being paid by the Central Government than that what it pays to its subscribers of Central Government Securities. C&AG has asked for clarification on the issue as to why the National Authority is keeping its surplus balance in the Public Account, which earns a lower interest rate, rather than investing it in securities of Central Government, which provide a higher rate of interest.

2. Further, Section 15(1)(vi) of CAF Act, 2016 envisaged the provisions that 'the executive committee of the National Authority shall invest surplus amounts available in National Fund'. This provision is further discussed in Section 21 of CAF Act, 2016 that 'National Authority may invest its funds, including any reserve fund, in the securities of the Central Government and in Scheduled Banks in such a manner as may be prescribed'.

3. National Authority CAMPA is having a balance of National Fund as on 31.03.2025 of Rs.10,845.00 crore whereas its average annual expenditure is just around Rs. 350 crore per year (including release of funds for the schemes supported by National Authority) during last 5 years, so it would be appropriate to invest the surplus fund as envisaged in CAF Act, 2016.

4. Matter was referred (November, 2024) to IFD for advice on the investment of National Fund in safe instruments for realising inflation adjusted returns. IFD stated that "the principle of financial prudence is to be ensured by making investment in the most competitive rate in the market at relevant point of time. This obviously is an administrative matter that the PD shall ensure with principles of financial prudence, while taking decisions".

5. In view of above, it is proposed to invest surplus fund presently available in Public Account of India to the tune of Rs. 9000.00 crores through a competitive bidding mechanism from the scheduled banks. For this, adequate publicity will be done through Expression of Interest (EoI).

6. Accordingly, the proposal for investment of surplus funds of Rs. 9,000 Crore of National Fund in nationalised banks (Government owned PSU banks) was placed in the 35th Meeting of Executive Committee (EC) held on 04-07-2025 as Agenda Item No. 19.

Decision of the EC: The Executive Committee in its 35th meeting held on 4th July 2025 recommended the investment of Rs. 9,000 crores of National Fund in consultation with Integrated Finance Division of MoEF&CC through a competitive bidding mechanism from the interest expressed by all the nationalised banks.

Decision of the Governing Body: The HMEF&CC emphasized that the main aim of National Authority CAMPA is the afforestation and eco-restoration. He directed National Authority to prepare a detailed proposal for investment of surplus National Fund focusing on the mandate of National Authority and resubmit it in the next Governing Body meeting. In view of this direction, the Governing Body deferred the proposed investment of Rs. 9,000 crores of National Fund, in consultation with Integrated Finance Division of MoEF&CC through a competitive bidding mechanism from the interest expressed by all the nationalised banks.

(III) SETTING UP OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY CAMPA IMPLEMENTATION & MONITORING SUPPORT UNIT (IMSU)

1. Background:

The Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act 2016 (CAF Act, 2016) was enacted to provide for the establishment of funds and the public accounts of each State and crediting thereto the monies received from the user agencies towards compensatory afforestation (CA), additional compensatory afforestation, penal compensatory afforestation, net present value (NPV) and all other amounts recovered from such agencies under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980; constitution of an authority at national level and at each of the State and Union territory Administration for administration of the funds and to utilise the monies so collected for undertaking artificial regeneration (plantations), assisted natural regeneration, protection of forests, forest related infrastructure development, Green India Programme, wildlife protection and other related activities and for matters connected therewith.

2. Role of National Authority:

The National Authority CAMPA is required to perform following functions:

- i. Maintain the accounts of funds received under CAF Act
- ii. Reconciliation of Funds and release of State/UT's share

- iii. Approval of APOs of State/ UTs
- iv. Management of National Fund
- v. Approval of Schemes under National Fund
- vi. Monitoring and evaluation of CAMPA activities
- vii. Preparation of Annual Accounts & reports
- viii. Coordination with States/ UTs and Institutions for effective implementation of CAMPA activities
- ix. Any other functions as per CAF Act, 2016 or assigned by the National Authority.

3.1 Annual Plan of Operation (APO)

As per Rule 2(b) of CAF Rule 2018, an Annual Plan of Operation (APO) is a detailed document outlining the planned activities and resource allocation for the next fiscal year. It includes specific objectives, actions, and targets for forest management, aiming to ensure the sustainability and ecological health of the forest. It describes the APO as the annual plan for physical activities and financial provisions approved by the National or State Authority, detailing milestones, success conditions, brief descriptions, estimated costs, execution agencies, and timelines for activities to be executed from the State Fund during the financial year.

The National Authority is required to approve the APO of State Authorities within three months of receipt, possibly with amendments, under Section 15(1)(i) of the CAF Act, 2016. The Act and Rules together provide the framework for the preparation, approval, and submission process of the APO by State CAMPA authorities to the National Authority for implementation of compensatory afforestation and related activities

3.2 Schemes:

The National Authority approves schemes and pilot projects under section 5 (b) (iii) of the CAF Act, 2016, in the matters of national importance as set out by the Ministry pertaining to conservation of forest, wildlife, biodiversity, enhancement of ecosystem services and priority research programmes in the field of forest and wildlife conservation. Total 50 schemes are being implemented with the support of National funds by various agencies viz. ICFRE, WII, FSI, IIFM, IWST etc of which ten schemes has been completed in May 2025.

3.3 Fund Management

As per the provisions contained in the Rule 2 of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (Accounting Procedure) Rules, 2018 notified by MoEF&CC Notification dated 20.11.2018 on the accounting procedure to regulate the manner of crediting the monies to National Fund and State Fund, National Authority has transferred the funds of Rs. 81,844.18 crore during 2018-19 to 2025-26 (May2025) after component-wise reconciliation with the States/ UTs.

The Authority is at present administering funds amounting to Rs 10,380.36 Crore approx. as on 31.03.2025. One the key activities to be taken up by the National Authority, CAMPA is to establish monitoring framework for the activities implemented through its funds.

4. Monitoring

4.1 Section 16 of the CAF Act, 2016, outlines the functions of the monitoring group, which is responsible for monitoring and evaluating works implemented with CAF funds. The group ensures effective fund utilization, conducts inspections and financial audits, and devises measures for transparency and accountability. The monitoring group also meets at least once

every three months, according to Section 16. Further, the CAF Act provides for a Monitoring group with specific functions related to monitoring the utilization of CAMPA funds. It is understood that providing backup support to the Monitoring Group would be important for them to carry out the intended function effectively.

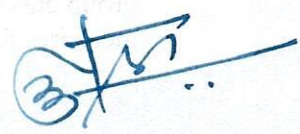
The CAF Rules also provides for independent concurrent monitoring and evaluation and third-party monitoring of various works under State Funds. This would also entail a robust baseline and assessment of monitoring reports for improving the effectiveness of utilization of funds. However, due to non-availability of manpower in the field of forestry and wildlife, no Monitoring and Evaluation work could not be undertaken by the National Authority so far. There is a clear gap in developing a robust mechanism to conduct the necessary monitoring and evaluation work. Also, the task of monitoring is very vast given the larger amount of funds that spreads across the various States / UT and Institutes. Given the other responsibilities of the National Authority and absence of staff and experts/ professionals as envisaged, the work of Monitoring & Evaluation could not be undertaken due to lack of resources. A dedicated unit in the form of a National Authority CAMPA Implementation & Monitoring Support Unit is being felt for carrying out this important activity of National Authority.

4.2 Justification of the National Authority Implementation & Monitoring Support Unit (IMSU)

The National Authority CAMPA has identified key areas for ensuring effective Monitoring and Evaluation of the activities undertaken at the National and State/ UT level. It is important to coordinate all the activities related to the Monitoring and Evaluation of the activities undertaken by the States and Union Territories.

For the purpose of effective monitoring, a special support unit would be required as described below.

- i. A monitoring unit equipped with state-of-the-art data management and GIS facilities to conduct effective monitoring and evaluation of the various activities implemented by the States/UT.
- ii. The unit will carry out identification and removal of redundancy of activities undertaken under various funding sources.
- iii. The unit will conduct day to day activities such as data collation, analysis, conducting field visits, surveys, RS and GIS based studies, generating reports etc.
- iv. A robust technology-based mechanism/ portal/ Management Information System (MIS) to ensure effective M&E of activities and achieve the desired objectives will be conceptualized, developed and implemented.
- v. Requirement of such a GIS enabled platform which could be integrated with the MIS system to cover all the activities of the APO. The current platform E- Green Watch doesn't provide the scope of integration and comparison of information for better monitoring purposes.
- vi. Such a system would also facilitate the flow of information among various levels and provide ability to collect information, process it, visualize and showcase the outcome.
- vii. The MIS could further be integrated with the State/ UT MIS to ensure real time and better exchange of data and information. This shall help ensure uniformity in development of technical and audit reports. It is understood that many States have some form of MIS, but they need to be made more robust along with improved systems of data validation, and ability to speak interpret with the systems at the GOI level in the Ministry.



- viii. Analysis of institutional strength and weakness of State CAMPA would be conducted for benchmarking which will help in developing the supporting interventions under National Authority CAMPA.
- ix. Use of satellite data and other digitized assets would be important for effective functioning of the monitoring system envisaged by National Authority, CAMPA.
- x. Any success of the monitoring programme will depend on timely collection of good quality data, its correlation, analysis and reporting. Even for the portal described earlier in this document, quality data will be necessary for a meaningful understanding of the extent and the impact of work done under the CAMPA fund.
- xi. Quality data and analysis will also help in identifying the strengths and opportunities which could be replicated in CAMPA and in other forestry programmes/ projects funded through other funding sources.
- xii. This system will also be important for creating all round accountability for all the relevant stakeholders and improve the public perception of the work done especially in the context of diversion of precious forest land due to development imperatives.
- xiii. The data will help to identify and develop a repository of the best practices undertaken by the States/ UTs after suitable validation.
- xiv. The data management system would also assist in data sharing with other stakeholders as per requirement after requisite approvals.
- xv. The data system would help also track the usage of funds and therefore help in reconciliation of the funds received or lying under *ad hoc* CAMPA. DBT and other online financial transaction system could also be built in the portal being envisaged.

Implementing the above activities would require a dedicated team of experts and professionals in the form of a National Authority CAMPA Monitoring Unit (CMU), in addition to the staff already working at National Authority CAMPA and development of requisite IT based systems. More specifically, the CMU shall comprise of qualified and experienced resources from premier institutions of the country who will help in development of a monitoring and evaluation strategy and implementation of the same. It is therefore proposed to engage a professional consultancy firm for providing the services of the CMU in the National Authority CAMPA Authority through the NISCI out of the empanelled service agencies.

5. Scope and functions of the National Authority Implementation & Monitoring Support Unit (IMSU):

The CMU will form the core unit for implementing the Monitoring & Evaluation strategy of National Authority CAMPA. The overall vision of the CMU is to support the National Authority CAMPA in efficient use of funds as per the CAMPA Act while addressing the strategic requirements of the forestry and wildlife sector and mitigating the effects of diversion of forest land through efficient systems and processes, data management, monitoring and use of technology.

The key objective of the CMU shall be to support in implementation of effective monitoring and evaluation activities to ensure effective utilisation of the CAMPA fund.

The scope of work of the National CMU shall be as follows:

- i. The CMU shall analyse and appraise the Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) provided by the States/ UTs, develop a uniform framework for the APOs and correlate information between FC diversion, CA data and actual work done.
- ii. It will track the work done in relation to the approvals given by the Ministry at the time of diversion of forest land in each of the cases.

- iii. The CMU shall develop reporting format for APOs, quarterly reports, annual reports, audit reports, field survey reports and third-party evaluation reports. This shall ensure uniformity in the reporting formats across all the State reports.
- iv. The CMU will have the requisite competencies for designing the upgraded IT based geo-spatial based monitoring portal. It will coordinate among the State/ UT CAMPA units, and will undertake collection, storage and analyse of data, implement the geo-spatial portal for monitoring, and thus help in reporting and preparation of Annual reports.
- v. The CMU will also coordinate among various agencies, both government and non-government for collection of data, research and adoption of best practices.
- vi. It will also leverage and support activities under the various streams within the Ministry related to the country's plan for combating climate change, land degradation and biodiversity and wildlife conservation. Tracking of the afforestation and other activities would also be done and contribution to mitigating climate change and achievement of the NDCs would be studied.
- vii. The CMU shall review the third-party monitoring reports provided by the State/ UTs. It could also develop a mechanism wherein the third-party consultants should be able to upload the report for further assessment and clearance.
- viii. The CMU shall support the Monitoring Group with adequate data and reports from time to time and as directed and shall follow up the activities as per decisions of the Monitoring Group.
- ix. Based on several decisions and identified issues, the CMU shall undertake field surveys to understand the ground reality and cross check the information with the APO. The field surveys could be planned on a six monthly, annual or biennial basis depending on the requirement.
- x. The field survey should be supported with photographic, videographic and other evidence.
- xi. All the data collected by the CMU should be well archived and uploaded on the online portal to better understand the audit trail and to maintain integrity and accountability.
- xii. CMU will identify key stakeholders and develop communications strategy for CAMPA and develop extension material as per the strategy.
- xiii. The CMU will help in organisation of workshops and seminars through identification of topics, resources persons, participants, and support in management.
- xiv. The National Authority CAMPA, apart from collating physical and financial progress information along with details of activities and their impact from the respective State CAMPAs, will also independently verify through a well-designed sampling plans, the works implemented on the ground under the funds of CAMPA. The field survey work would be conducted both through the CMU as well as third party as per requirement.
- xv. Adequate data management and data collection systems would also be developed, which will be working in sync with the GIS based portal described above for most effective outcomes.

6. Outcomes- Implementation & Monitoring Support Unit:

The National Authority CAMPA Monitoring Unit will help the National Authority in developing and implementing a long-term Monitoring and Evaluation framework under the CAF Act and Rules. It is envisaged that the effectiveness of utilisation of CAMPA funds will improve with a robust Monitoring & Evaluation framework for CAMPA works in place. It will also improve data collection, archiving, analysis and presentation related to the implementation of various activities under CAMPA.

Resources in the National Authority IMSU:

The National Authority IMSU is proposed to be constituted of the following resources:

Sr No	Domain Expertise	No of experts	Tentative/ Estimated per month as per NICS I empanelment rates excluding GST
1	Team Leader with 10- 15 years of experience	1	3,58,864.00
2	Forestry Expert / Wildlife Expert with 10 to 15 years of experience	1	3,58,864.00
3	Monitoring & Evaluation and Documentation Expert with 10 to 15 years of experience	1	3,58,864.00
4	GIS and Remote Sensing Expert with 6 to 10 years of experience	1	3,28,958.00
5	Finance Expert with 10 to 15 years of experience	1	3,58,864.00
6	IT Expert with 3 to 6 years of experience	1	2,81,110.00
7	Data Analyst with 3 to 6 years of experience	1	2,81,110.00

The estimated cost per month is calculated as per NICS I empanelment rates (excluding GST) notified vide NICS I/eGOV CONSULTANCY/2016/16 (16/06/2017 - 15/06/2020). The manpower may be increased or decreased as per the requirement.

7. It is proposed to engage a consulting firm of repute for providing professional services for the task of 'Monitoring and Evaluation' in the National Authority through NICS I from their empanelled list of consultancy service providing firms. The firm will be selected on the basis of evaluation of technical proposals submitted by them as per the GFR Rules.

8. The consultancy firm shall be engaged initially for a period of two years on project mode. The term of engagement of the firm will be extended for further period based on performance and requirement of the Authority.

9. The estimated total budget as per the NICS I empanelment rates is Rs 2,52,88,300 (including GST) for a period of first 12 months and Rs 2,65,52,715 (including GST) for the next 12 months. The cost will be met from National Fund as provided in the section- 5(b)(i) of the Compensatory Afforestation Act, 2016.

Decision of the EC- The Executive Committee in its 35th meeting held on 04th July 2025 agreed to the setting up of National Authority CAMPA implementation & monitoring support unit.

Decision of the Governing Body: The proposal is approved with the directions of the Chairman that the National Authority, while developing the Monitoring & Evaluation framework for CAMPA works, must explore the possibility of engaging a Central Agency

through the signing of an MoU. Such engagement may be considered with institutions like the Forest Survey of India, ICFRE, BISAG-N, NRSC, or any other agency specializing in spatial monitoring & evaluation of vegetation and plantations using satellite imagery and aerial photography. The National Authority shall ensure that the engagement with the selected Central Agency is aligned with well-established protocols and leverages the agency's expertise in monitoring and evaluation of natural resources and vegetation.

(IV) DELEGATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL POWER TO NATIONAL AUTHORITY

The Section-14 (1) (i) of the CAF Act, 2016 provides that the Governing Body shall formulate broad policy framework for National Authority. Also, the Section 14 (1) (vii) states that the Governing Body shall formulate such procedure for delegation of financial and administrative powers to the National Authority. The delegation of the financial power is as per the Rule 31 of the CAF Rules, 2018 which mandates conformation to the General Financial Rules, 2017 (now 2024). The delegation of Administrative & Financial Powers proposed is for National Authority with an objective of effective, efficient, and timely disposals of the pertinent issues.

The adoption of delegation of administrative and financial powers of the Ministry to the National Authority was 'in principle' agreed upon in the first Governing Body Meeting's, held on 15th November 2019, agenda item no. 9(B).

In this regard, following Delegation of Administrative & Financial Power under the revised DFPR, 2024 is proposed for approval to enable the Head of Department to exercise necessary administrative and financial powers. While examining the file, IFD has limited the delegation of powers only to 'Financial Powers'. Chief Executive Officer (or Jt. CEO in absence of CEO as per the internal arrangements) in National CAMPA has been proposed to be appointed as HoD. The AIGF is proposed to act as Head of the Office (HOO). The Ministry has already declared the DDO of the Ministry as the DDO of the National Authority (N CAMPA).

The existing financial powers to Head of Department in National CAMPA and proposed financial powers in terms of Annexure-I (Rule 8) of Delegation of Financial Power, 2024 is as under:

Sl.No	Cod e	Object Head	Items of expenditure	Authorit y	Extent of powers (as per OM dated 28.10.2020)	Extent of powers (proposed)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)		(6)
Revenue Expenditure						
1.	01	Salaries	It will include pay of the Government employees as defined under FR 9(21), honorarium to Government servant and stipend to interns. It will also include expenditure on emoluments and allowances of Heads of States and other high	HOD		Full Powers
				HOO		NIL

			dignitaries including Sumptuary Allowance, salary			
2.	02	Wages	It will include wages of labourers and of staff at present paid out of contingencies.	HOD HOO		Full Powers NIL
3.	05	Rewards	It will include rewards under a scheme given to the Government employees in addition to their pay and allowances. It will also include payment of bonus and cash awards for Hindi Pratiyogita, etc.	HOD HOO		Full Powers (Subject to compliance of notifications/ orders issued by the Government from time to time). NIL
4.	06	Medical Treatment	It will include amount paid towards medical reimbursements/treatment of the Government employees/pensioners.	HOD HOO		Full Powers Rs. 10,000/-
5.	07	Allowances	It will include as applicable the Dearness Allowance, House Rent Allowance, Transport Allowance, Foreign Allowance, Non Practicing Allowance, Deputation (Duty) Allowance, Personal Pay, Family Planning Allowance, Special Compensatory (Hill Areas) Allowance, Tribal Area Allowance, Hard Area Allowance, Headquarter Allowance, Overtime Allowance, Children Education Allowance, Reimbursement of Tuition Fee, Ration Allowance, Cost of Ration given in cash, Constituency Allowance, Uniform and Clothing Allowance, Entertainment Allowance, Project Allowance, Special Compensatory (Remote Locality) Allowance, Bad Climate Allowance, Washing Allowance, Special (Duty) Allowance, Night Duty Allowance, Risk Allowance, Sunderban Allowance, Cash Handling Allowance, Caretaking Allowance, Split Duty Allowance and any	HOD HOO		Full Powers NIL

			other allowance in addition to above which is payable to the			
6.	08	Leave Travel Concession	It will include air/rail/bus fare/fare of any other mode of transport entitled under LTC Rule.	HOD HOO		Full Powers NIL
7.	09	Training Expenses	It will include expenditure on cost of training such as fees paid, contingencies, materials, etc., for participating in the training, workshops but exclude expenditure on domestic or foreign travel expenses.	HOD HOO		Full Powers as per DoE instructions Rs. 1,00,000/- per annum.
8.	04	Pensionary Charges	It will include all pensionary benefits including payment of pensions and gratuity in all forms to the Government employees, members of Parliament, freedom fighters, etc. It will also include contributions to service funds and contributory provident funds and payment of leave encashment at the time of retirement or death, termination of service, etc. It will also include Government's contribution payable under National Pension System(NPS) for Government employees. This will, however, not include social security expenditure such as old age pension.	HOD HOO		Full Powers NIL
9.	11	Domestic Travel Expenses	It will include travel expenses on official tours and transfers of the Government employees within India. This will also include expenditure on TA/DA to non- official members on account of travel in India, It will also include transfer TA payable to pensioners at the time of retirement.	HOD HOO		Full Powers as per instructions of DoE. NIL
10.	12	Foreign Travel Expenses	It will include expenses on official tours and transfers of the Government employees out-side India. This will also include expenditure on TA/DA to non- official members going on official tour abroad.	HOD HOO		NIL NIL
11.	13	Office Expenses	It will include expenditure all recurring and non-recurring			

		contingent expenses incurred for the maintenance of office establishment such as,			
		(i) Electricity charges, water charges, hot and cold weather charges, pest control.	HOD	Full powers	Full powers
			HOO	-	Upto Rs. 50,000 per month
		(ii) Stationery, books and periodical, postage charges, and courier charges.	HOD	Rs. 2,00,000/- in each case.	Full powers
			HOO	-	Upto Rs. 25,000 per month.
		(iii) Supply of uniforms/liveries.	HOD	Full powers	Full powers
			HOO	-	Full powers
		(iv) Service agreements, security, house-keeping,	HOD	-	Full powers
			HOO	-	Rs. 1,00,000/- (Not more than the value of the contract).
		(v) Expenditure relating to hiring of retired Government servants on contract basis, out-sourced office attendants, office Assistants/Data Entry Operators (DEO) etc.	HOD	Full powers	Full powers
			HOO	-	NIL
		(vi) Expenditure on short term engagement of Additional technically qualified manpower's in the field of GIS/MIS, Forestry Research, IT, Website development, Programming, Legal, Accounts & Finance Expert, and CA/CSs etc. as recommended by the 31 st Executive Committee meeting held on 16.07.2024 and administrative approval of Secretary (EFCC) is obtained at N/12 file NA-4/23/2024-NA.	HOD	Full Power	Full Power
			HOO	-	Nil
		(vii) Telephone Charges, Internet charges, Cable connection charges	HOD	Full powers	Full powers (Subject to Government Order issued from time to time).
			HOO	-	Full powers (Subject to Government Order issued from time to time).
		(viii) Serving of refreshment/working lunch/ dinner during official meeting/ Seminars/ conferences.	HOD	Rs.2,00,000/- in each case.	Full powers (expenditure is subject to adherence of financial rules/norms/propriety of GoI).

				HOO	-	NIL
			(ix) Hospitality expenses including entertainment of foreign delegates, gifts and souvenirs.	HOD	Rs.2,00,000/- in each case.	Full powers (expenditure is subject to adherence of financial rules/norms/propriety of GoI).
				HOO	-	NIL
			(x) Expenditure of conferences /seminars/workshops/meetings convened by office including all related expenses on study material/ kits, refreshments, study tours, etc.	HOD	Rs.2,00,000/- in each case.	Full powers (expenditure is subject to adherence of financial rules/norms/propriety of GoI and Ministry of Finance instructions).
				HOO	-	NIL
			(xi) Other Miscellaneous expenditure	HOD	Recurring - Rs.2,00,000/- Non recurring- Rs. 5,00,000/- in each case.	Full power
				HOO	-	Rs. 50,000/- per annum.
			(xii) Purchase of office equipment, furniture and fixtures not exceeding the threshold limit of one lakh rupees or three years of useful life, either of the two, as decided by the Government from time to time. The office equipment and furniture and fixtures exceeding the threshold limit as decided by the Government from time to time should be classified as 'capital' expenditure under the relevant Object Head 'Machinery and Equipment' and 'Furniture and Fixtures: Purchase of vehicles, however, irrespective of its usage (office or otherwise) should be classified as 'capital' expenditure under the relevant capital Object Head 'Motor Vehicles.	HOD	Full powers	Full powers, subject to such conditions and scales as may be prescribed by the GoI.
				HOO	-	Rs. 50,000 per annum.
				HOO		Nil
12.	14	Rent, Rates and Taxes for Land and Buildings	It will include expenditure on rent for buildings (non-residential or residential or structures other than buildings), municipal rates	HOD	Upto Rs. 1,00,000/-.	Full Powers are delegated to HOD for making monthly payment of rent fixed as per lease

			and taxes and lease charges for rented land and buildings, the ownership of which is not transferable to Government. However, lease charges for land and buildings, the ownership of which is transferable to Government, will be classified as 'capital' expenditure under the relevant Object Heads 'Land' and 'Buildings and Structures.	HOO	-	agreement/ contract. NIL
13.	15	Royalty	It will include expenses on royalties on patents, designs, trademarks, print, publishing, music, etc	HOD	NIL	NIL
				HOO	NIL	NIL
14.	16	Printing and Publication	It will include expenses on printing of valuables, printing of audit and accounts reports, forms, stationery, office codes, manuals and other documents, newspaper and magazines including e-books, e-magazines, digital printing, pen drive, CD, etc., but exclude expenses on printing of publicity material which shall be classified under Advertising and Publicity.	HOD	Full power	(i) Full powers for GoI Press/ Directorate of printing subject to compliance of Government order. (ii) Maximum of Rs. 2,00,000/- per annum for press/ private agencies. Conditions: Beyond this, in consultation with IFD or FA&CAO.
				HOO	-	Rs. 25,000/- per annum.
15.	18	Rent for others	It will include expenses on rent for equipment and other various items like office equipment, transport, computer and ancillary equipment, communication equipment, air-conditioning, heating and refrigerating equipment, security equipment, broadcasting and recording equipment, construction equipment, agricultural equipment, horticultural equipment, medical equipment, furniture and fixtures. It will also include lease charges for equipment and other items, the ownership of which is not transferable to Government. However, lease charges for equipment and other items,	HOD	-	Full Power subject to instructions issued by Govt. of India from time to time.
				HOO	-	Rs. 25,000 per month in each case.

			the ownership of which is transferable to Government			
16.	19	Digital Equipment	It will include expenses to be classified as revenue expenditure on procurement or development of hardware and software where the cost of individual item does not exceed the threshold limit of one lakh rupees or three years of useful life, either of the two as decided by the Government from time to time. The threshold sold limit will, however, not apply to the consumables like toner and cartridge for printer shall be classified under revenue expenditure.	HOD HOO	Full Powers -	Full Powers NIL
17.	24	Fuels and Lubricants	It will include expenditure on petrol, oil, lubricants and other fuels like CNG, diesel, etc.	HOD HOO	Full Powers -	Full Powers subject to instructions of DOE. Rs. 15000 per annum
18.	26	Advertising and Publicity	It will include expenses including commission to agents for sale and printing of publicity material on advertising and publicity through various media such as print media, TV media or outdoor media or Internet or mobile network or other audio-visual publicity or fairs and exhibition.	HOD HOO	Full powers -	(i) Full powers for GoI Press/ Directorate of printing subject to compliance of Government order. (ii) Maximum of Rs. 2,00,000/- per annum for press/ private agencies. Conditions: Beyond this, in consultation with IFD or FA&CAO. Rs. 25,000 per annum.
19.	27	Minor civil and electric Works	It will include (i) Expenditure on repairs and maintenance of minor civil and electrical works of office buildings and other buildings, petty works and repairs and execution of petty works. (ii) Expenditure on running operation and maintenance (ROM) of diesel genset, etc.	HOD HOO	Upto Rs. 5,00,000 on each case. -	Upto Rs. 5,00,000 on each case restricted to Rs. 15,00,000 per annum. Rs. 1,00,000 per annum
20.	28	Professional	It will include expenses on	HOD	Full Power	Full Power (subject

		Services	engagement of professionals, consultants, artists, banks, etc., for providing services to the Government which include legal services, consultancy fees, audit fees, teaching and training Fees, payments to artists, remunerations to question setters or invigilators or guest speakers, payments to other departments for services rendered, payment or expenses to agencies for conducting departmental examination.	HOO	-	to compliance of notifications/ orders issued by the Government from time to time)
21.	29	Repair and Maintenance	(i) Repair and maintenance (including all maintenance contract) of equipment such as machinery and equipment, office equipment, equipment for other functional use, electrical appliances, air conditioners, digital equipment for office use, digital equipment for functional use, furniture and fixtures for office, furniture and fixtures for other functional use, tools and plants, infrastructural assets (it will) etc. but exclude expenditure on upgradation, midlife rehabilitation, retrofitting and or reconditioning	HOD HOO	Upto Rs. 5,00,000/- in each case. -	Upto Rs. 10,00,000/- on each occasion. Rs. 10,000/- per month for recurring.
			(ii) Repair & maintenance of vehicles (including motor vehicles and non-motor vehicles like bicycle, rickshaw, carts, trolleys and boat, etc., for office or functional use),	HOD HOO	Full Powers -	Full Powers Rs. 30,000 per annum.
22.	39	Bank and Agency charges	It will include bank service charges, agency charges, MDR charges, direct benefit transfer charges to banks and any other charges for convenience fee performing monetary transactions.	HOD HOO	- -	Full power Rs. 25,000/- per annum.
23.	40	Awards and Prizes	It will include expenses on awards and prizes given by the Government to the eminent persons and organisations.	HOD	-	Full power (subject to compliance of notifications/ orders issued by the Government from

						time to time)
				HOO	-	NIL
24.	31	Grants-in-aid-GENERAL	It will include Grants-in-aid released for payments other than salaries and creation of capital assets. It will also include expenditure on welfare activities.			
			(i) Conveying approval of schemes and pilot projects approved by the Governing Body (GB) under section 5 (b) (iii) of the CAF Act, 2016.	HOD HOO	Full power -	Full power Full power (The draft communication conveying such approval must necessarily be processed and approved by the CEO on e-file and the same must be expressly mentioned in the sanction order stating the details of E-file).
			(ii) Conveying approval of structure and duration of scheme/pilot projects and release of fund against scheme approved by the GB.	HOD HOO	- -	Full power Full power (The draft communication conveying such approval for release of fund must necessarily be processed and approved by the CEO on e-file and the same must be expressly mentioned in the sanction order stating the details of E-file).
25.	49	Other Revenue expenditure	It will include payment out of discretionary grant, other discounts, fees and fines, custom duty compensation, commitment charges, notional value of gifts, reimbursement of newspapers purchased or supplied to officer's residence and purchase or reimbursement of briefcase or ladies purse to Government servants', etc. Any other expenditure which cannot be classified under any of these specified object heads will be debited to this head.	HOD HOO	Full powers -	Full powers (Subject to compliance of notifications/orders issued by the Government from time to time). NIL

			It will also include expenditure in respect of			
26.	71	Information, Computers, Telecommunication (ICT) equipment	It will include procurement of information, computer, telecommunications (ICT) equipment such as computer hardware and tele communications devices (computer/laptops, projectors, etc.) and computer software exceeding the threshold limit of one lakh rupees or 3 years of useful life, either of the two, electromagnetic spectrum which is used in the transmission of sound, data and television	HOD HOO	Rs. 5,00,000/- in each case. -	Full power. Rs. 1,00,000/- per annum.
27.	74	Furniture & Fixtures	It will include expenditure on purchase of furniture and fixture exceeding threshold limit of one lakh rupees or three years of useful life, either of the two, for office use and functional use.	HOD HOO	Full Power -	Full power Upto Rs. 1,25,000 on each occasion subject to maximum Rs. 2,50,000 per annum.
28.	77	Other Fixed Assets	It will include procurement of other fixed assets like library books and publications, trees crops and plants, whose natural growth and regeneration is under the direct control, responsibility and management of institutional units, non-motor vehicles like bicycle, rickshaw, cart, trolleys, boat, etc.	HOD HOO	Full Powers -	Full Powers NIL
Capital Expenditure						
29.	52	Machinery and Equipment	It will include procurement of machinery and equipment (other than motor vehicles and ICT equipment), electrical and electronic equipment, medical appliances, precision and optical instruments, watches and clocks, musical instruments and sports goods etc, cost of which exceeds one lakh rupees or three years of useful life, either of the two, need to be booked under this head.	HOD HOO	Full powers -	Full powers NIL
30.	72	Buildings and	It will include office	HOD	-	Full power in

		Structures	buildings, residential buildings, other buildings and structures like hospitals, laboratories, auditorium, light houses, shelters etc., public monuments like statues, fountains established at public places, and land improvement.	HOO	-	consultation with the Secretary of the Administrative Ministry.
31.	60	Other Capital expenditure	It will include all other capital expenditure which cannot be classified any of the capital object head.	HOD	-	Rs. 1,00,00,000/- with the concurrence of FA&CAO.
				HOO	-	NIL

It is submitted that the exercise of the above power would be subject to the provisions of the General Financial Rules, 2024, General Financial Rules 2017, economy instructions issued by the Ministry of Finance, Fiscal code and procedures and availability of budgetary allocation etc. from time to time.

The proposed delegation of financial powers to HOD of National CAMPA are as per the provisions of the General Financial Rules, 2024. Delegation of financial Powers to National CAMPA in accordance with the revised DFPR, 2024, is approved by the CEO on 20.06.2025 and concurred by Financial Adviser & Chief Accounts Officer on 08.09.2025.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body directed the Integrated Finance Division to examine the proposal on e-file and subject to the outcome of this examination the proposed delegation of financial powers to the National Authority will be approved by the competent authority as per the DFPR, 2024 on e-file.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: PILOT SCHEMES/PROJECTS IN FORESTRY & WILDLIFE SUPPORTED FROM NATIONAL FUND [Section-5 (b)(iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016]

For Information of the Governing Body

The details of **10 (Ten) completed** and **50 (Fifty) ongoing** schemes for information of the Governing Body.

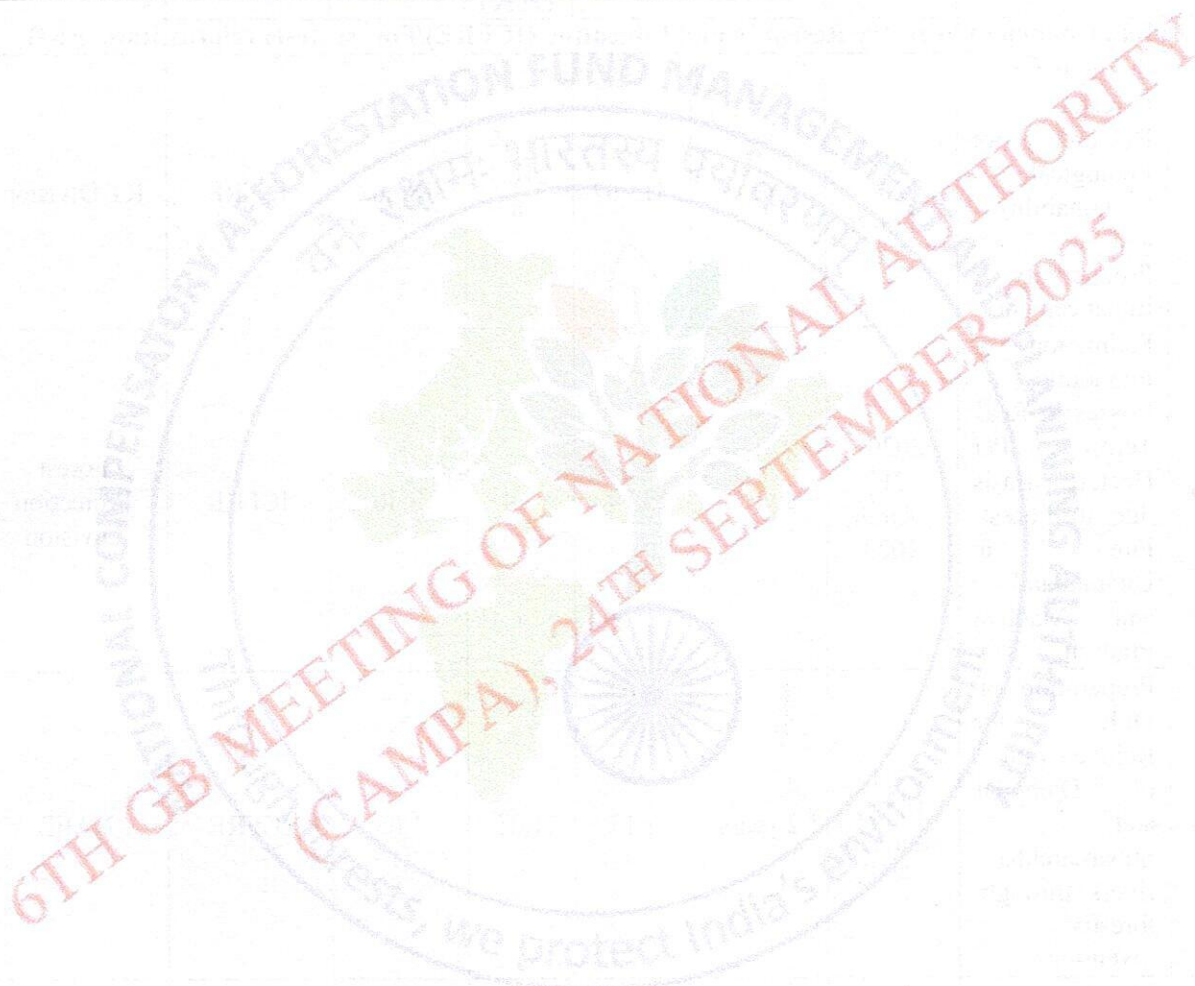
(i) COMPLETED SCHEMES/PROJECTS- 10

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Scheme/Project Name	Project Period (in years)	Project Cost	Fund released & utilized	Implementing Agency	Programme Division	Starting Year
1	Centre of Excellence on Forest Based Livelihoods in Uttarakhand-A Pilot Study" UCOST.	5	2.784	2.2488	UCOST, Dehradun	UCOST	2015-16
2	National Programme for Conservation and Development of Forest Genetic Resources (FGRs): Pilot project on 'Creation of Centre of Excellence on Forest Genetic Resources (CoFGR)	6	8.61	8.60	FRI, Dehradun	RT Division	2015-16
3	Preparation of DPR with LiDAR Survey for one pilot watershed in forest area of each State/UT	0.9	18.38	22.98	Water & Power Consultancy Services (India) Ltd. (WAPCOS), New Delhi	NAEB	2020-2021
4	Execution of Readiness Activities for	1.8	1.20	0.72	ICFRE, Dehradun	RT Division	2020-21

Sl. No	Scheme/Project Name	Project Period (in years)	Project Cost	Fund released & utilized	Implementing Agency	Programme Division	Starting Year
	Implementation of REDD+ in India						
5	Implementation of Management Effectiveness Evaluation (MEE) of the Tiger Reserves” submitted by National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)	1	1.521	1.521	NTCA, Delhi	NTCA	2022-23
6	Establishing Meta population of Cheetahs in India	1	29.47	29.47	NTCA, Delhi	NTCA	2022-23
7	Nationwide Census of Elephant Population in the country	1	3.0019	3.00	WII, Dehradun	Project Elephant Division	2022-23
8	Study of short- and long-term impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity of Protected area in Goa by setting up of Automatic Weather Stations	1	0.65	0.65	Goa State Authority	Climate Change Division of MoEFCC	2022-23
9	Establishment an FSI cell in Each State for Strengthening, Monitoring, and Forest Resource Assessment	1	4.33	2.59 was released but not utilized by FSI. The same released amount with interest has been deposited to PAO, MOEFCC	FSI	SU Division	2019-20
10	Habitat improvement and conservation	5	35.73	35.73	WII	WL Division	2015-

Sl. No.	Scheme/Project Name	Project Period (in years)	Project Cost	Fund released & utilized	Implementing Agency	Programme Division	Starting Year
	breeding of Great Indian Bustard – ESRP						16/ June 2024
	TOTAL		105.68	107.51			



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(ii) ON-GOING SCHEMES/PROJECTS- 50

(Rs. in crore)

S. No.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/Extension	Project Period (In years)	Project cost	Fund released (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implementing Agency	Programme Division
Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE)/Forest Research Institute (FRI)								
1	Strengthening Forestry Research for Ecological Sustainability and Productivity Enhancement	2019-20/ 2025-26	6 years	313.67	216.18	189.62	ICFRE	RT Division
2	Estimation of Economic Losses in Real Term Per Hectare Basis due to Forest Fire in Uttarakhand and Madhya Pradesh.	2020-21/ March 2023	2 years	3.79	3.4	3.40	ICFRE	Forest Protection Division
3	Preparation of DPR for Rejuvenation of Damodar and Subarnarekha rivers through forestry Interventions.	2021-2022 / September 2024	2 years	1.17	1.05	1.05	ICFRE	NAEB
4	Mapping monitoring and management of <i>Lantana camara</i> through utilization for improving livelihood of people in forest fringe villages of India.	2023-24	5 years	14.49	14.49	Information awaited	ICFRE	RT Division
5	Rehabilitation and	2023-24	1 year	10.35	10.35	10.35	ICFRE-FRI	RT Division

S. N o.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/E xtensio n	Project Period (In years)	Projec t cost	Fund releas ed (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implemen ting Agency	Programme Division
	Retrofitting of FRI Heritage Building							
6	Modernization of National Forest Insect Collection (NFIC) of FRI, Dehradun	2023-24	1.5 year	0.98	0.98	0.93	ICFRE-FRI	RT Division
7	Establishment of Programme Unit for Operationalization of Green Credits Programme at ICFRE	2023-24	3 years	10.00	6.28	2.33	ICFRE_FR I	HSM Division
8	Identification of superior Genotypes of <i>Olea ferruginea</i> (Royle) Bearing high oil content in North Western Himalayan Region and development of its Propagation and cultivation Techniques	2024-25	4 years	0.4753	0.117 8	0.0186	ICFRE	RT
9	Mass Timber based Building Construction: Capacity Building and Demonstration	2024-25	5 years	6.80	0.27	0.1598	ICFRE	RT
10	Promotion of Sandalwood cultivation through training programs across India to improve the economic status of	2024-25	5 years	8.58	0.15	0.0234	ICFRE	RT

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	farmers.							
11	National Collaborative Scheme on Forest Fire Management	2022-23	4 years	22.31	6.45	2.91	FRI	Forest Protection Division
12	Renovation & Modernization of Xylarium of Forest Research Institute.	2023-24	2 years	1.25	1.25	Cumulative expenditure till March 2024 is 0.17 cr and Committed expenditure till 31.08.2024 is 0.18 cr	FRI	RT Division
13	Strengthening of National Forest Library and Information Centre for Education and Forestry Research-FRI	2023-24	1 years	1.63	1.63	1.43	FRI	RT Division
Wildlife Institute of India (WII)								
1	Endangered Species Recovery Programme (ESRP)- Development of Conservation plan for Gangetic River Dolphin	2015-16/ December 2025	5 years	23	21.37	20.88	WII	Wildlife Division
2	Conservation of Manipur's Brow Antlered Deer (Sangai)-ESRP	2015-16/ December 2025	5 years	19.95	10.31	8.39	WII	Wildlife Division
3	Recovery of	2015-	5 years	23.58	18.37	16.47	WII	Wildlife

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	Dugongs and their Habitats in India-ESRP	16/ Decemb er 2025						Division
4	UNESCO Category 2 Centre (C2C) on Natural World Heritage Management and Training for the Asia-Pacific Region	2018- 19/ March 2026	3 years	18.66	18.66	16.45	WII	Wildlife Division
5	PAN India assessment and monitoring of endangered species covered under the 'Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats (IDWH) scheme of MoEFCC Government of India	2021- 2022/ March 2026	2 years	19.05	14.43	12.21	WII	Wildlife Division
6	Range-wide enumeration of River Dolphin populations in India	2021- 22/ Decemb er 2025	1years	10.15	10.15	10.15	WII	Wildlife Division
7	Phase II Proposal for Synchronized Elephant estimation.	2023-24	6 months	3.00	3.00	1.50	WII	NTCA
8	Project Great Indian Bustard (Conservation Action Plan for GIB and Lesser Florican)	2024-25	5 years	50.96	5.478	5.41	WII	WL Division
9	Genetic database of the rhino horn stockpile of		2 years	0.4142	0.07	-	WII	WL Division

S. N o.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/E xtensio n	Project Period (In years)	Projec t cost	Fund releas ed (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implemen ting Agency	Programme Division
	Assam to curb poaching threat and assess temporal changes in genetic variation	2024-25						
Forest Survey of India (FSI)								
1	Monitoring Protocol for Plantations and Assets created by State Forest Departments (SFDs).	2019-20	6 years	13.14	2.90	1.30	FSI	SU Division
2	Satellite Survey of Encroachment position of Rejected claims as per Order of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petitions (civil) No(s) 109/2008 Wildlife First & Others vs. Ministry of Forest and Environment & others	2021-2022	6 years	48.00	5.66	3.24	FSI	Forest Protection Division
3	Strengthening of e-Green Watch	2023-24	5 years	6.32	Not released	-	FSI	SU Division
4	Web GIS based Decision Support System (DSS) for forest clearance.	2023-24	5 years	5.00	1.00	0.90	FSI	SU Division
5	Forest Fire Monitoring including burnt area assessment.	2023-24	5 years	9.01	Not released	-	FSI	SU Division

S. No.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/Extension	Project Period (In years)	Project cost	Fund released (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implementing Agency	Programme Division
6	Above Ground Biomass (AGB) Estimation using Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) data	2023-24	5 years	2.88	0.05	Information awaited	FSI	SU Division
Indian Institute of Forest Management (IIFM)								
1	Establishment of a centre of excellence for Forest Landscape Restoration	2023-24	1 year	2.86	Not released	-	IIFM	NAEB
2	Study on impact of Voluntary relocation of villages from Tiger Reserves	2023-24	1 year	0.65	0.65	Information awaited	IIFM	RT Division
3	Ecosystem Service Valuation Studies to be conducted in the Tiger Reserves of the country	2023-24	1 year	0.82	Not released	-	IIFM	NTCA
4	Developing Indian Institute of Forest Management (IIFM) Campus in Northeast and developing capacity strengthening of Forest Sector in India	2023-24	1 year	11.88	11.88	Information awaited	IIFM	RT
5	Establish a dedicated Cell of Scheme Operating Agency (SOA) to operate and manage the	2023-24	1 year	1.38	0.38	-	IIFM	RT

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	Indian Forest and Wood Certification Scheme (IFWCS)							
6	Ecosystem Services Valuation for Mangrove Ecosystems in India	2024-25	2 years	4.65	-	-	IIFM	RT
7	Building a Comprehensive Digital Repository of Important Environmental Conventions and their Conference of Party (COP) Deliberations.	2024-25	1 year	0.40	-	-	IIFM	RT
National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)								
1	Assessment of Population Status of Tigers, Co-predators, Prey and their habitats in India	2022-23	1year	21.60	21.60	21.60	NTCA	NTCA
2	Conservation breeding of Cheetah (<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>) in Banni Grassland, Gujarat.	2023-24/ March, 2026	2 years	20.31	14.70	9.95	NTCA	NTCA
3	Phase II Establishing Metapopulation of Cheetah	2024-25/ March, 2027	1 year	57.30	26.20	-	NTCA	NTCA
GIM/NAEB								
1	Nagar Van Yojana (534/1000 Nagar Van)	2020-21	5 years	895.00	444.42	-	SFDA	NAEB

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S. N. o.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/E xtension	Project Period (In years)	Project cost	Fund released (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implementing Agency	Programme Division
2	School Nursery Yojana	2020-21	5 years	49.50	4.80	-	SFDA	NAEB
3	Mangrove Initiative for Salt Pans and Habitats Tangible Incomes-MISHTI	2023-24	5 years	100.00	17.94 (WB, Kerala, Puducherry, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha)	6.43	NAEB/GIM	NAEB/GIM
Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS)								
1	Implementing The Central Asian Flyway National Action Plan with Special Focus on Preparation of Site-Specific Activity Plan, Capacity Building, Developing Bird Sensitivity Map for Setting up of Wind Energy and Species Action Plans	2019-20/ March 2025	3 years	3.754	1.61	1.75 (As per the report received from BNHS)	BNHS	Wildlife Division
International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)								
1	Enhanced Capacity Building of Stakeholders and State Government on Forest Landscape Restoration	2020-21/ October 2024	3.5 years	5.90	3.65	3.69 as per the PPT shared by IUCN.	IUCN	NAEB

S. N o.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/E xtension	Project Period (In years)	Project cost	Fund released (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implementing Agency	Programme Division
	and Reporting Mechanism on Bonn Challenge.							
Central Zoo Authority (CZA)								
1	Setting up National Referral Center for Wildlife Disease Monitoring and Prevention- CZA	2022-2025	5 years	3.00	2.08	2.08	CZA	Wildlife Division
2	Commissioning of National Referral Centre- Wildlife (NRC-W)	2024-25	2 years	76.50	5.00	-	CZA	Wildlife Division
Impact Assessment Division (IA Division)								
1	PARIVESH 2.0	2021-2022	5 years	95.59	48.94	31.76	Impact Assessment Division	Impact Assessment Division
NICSI								
1	Project proposal for the yearly maintenance, Up-gradation and FC module and Hand holding support of PARIVESH- NICSI	2016-17	-	5.96	6.81	6.81	NICSI	FC Division
Institute of Wood Science and Technology (IWST)								
1	Roll out and Preparedness of States for using National Transit Pass System.	2023-24	3 years	4.67	1.35	1.26	IWST, Bengaluru	Forest Policy Division
Karnataka State Authority								
1	Development of Sandalwood and Rosewood Estates and	2022-23	7 years	25.65	0.48	0.42	Karnataka State Authority	-

S. N o.	Scheme/ Project Name	Starting Year/Extension	Project Period (In years)	Project cost	Fund released (Rs. in crore)	Fund utilized (Rs. in crore)	Implementing Agency	Programme Division
	Management of Sandalwood Reserves in Karnataka							
Regional Offices Head Quarter (ROHQ)								
1	Proposal for seeking financial support for strengthening, monitoring and implementation of the CAF Act by Regional Offices of the MoEFCC.	2023-24	5 years	57.1162	1.96 (including RO Chennai and RO Dehradun)	0.28	DDGF of concerned Regional Offices	Regional Offices Headquarters (ROHQ) Division
	Total			2093.10	988.49	395.15		

Decision of Governing Body: The Governing Body noted the progress of Schemes/Projects supported by National Authority CAMPA and stressed on regular monitoring of these ongoing schemes by the National Authority to ensure their timely completion and quality outputs/outcomes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

(i) SCHEMES/PROJECTS RECOMMENDED IN 34TH & 35TH MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL AUTHORITY

(1) Conducting Management Effectiveness Evaluation of Elephant Reserves in India:

Name of Scheme	Conducting Management Effectiveness Evaluation of Elephant Reserves in India		
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun		
Project Duration/Period	18 Months • Travel of Evaluation Team (Air/Rail/Road) • Accommodation of the Evaluation team • Local Travel and vehicle hiring • Project management cost and man power • Project initiation and completion workshops • Sitting fees • Per diem to evaluation team • Report writing cost • Printing of report • Miscellaneous & contingency		
Project Outlay	Rs. 2,29,04,600/-		
	Sl. No.	Item	Amount (in Rupees)
	1.	Travel of the Evaluation Team (Air/Rail/Road) ₹50,000 x 4 (persons) x 33 ERs	66,00,000/-
	2.	Accommodation of the Evaluation team ₹7,500 x 4 (persons) x 4 days x 33 ERs	39,60,000/-
	3.	Local travel and vehicle hiring ₹50,000 x 33 ERs	16,50,000/-
	4.	Project management cost & man power i. Project Scientist -1 @ ₹77,000 + HRA (per month) x 18 months = ₹16,63,200/- ii. Project Associate – 2 @ ₹42,000 + HRA (per month) x 18 months = ₹18,14,400/- iii. Office Assistant – 1 @ ₹30,000 + HRA (per month) x 18 months = ₹6,48,000/-	41,25,600/-
	5.	Project initiation and completion workshops 2 No @ ₹10,00,000/- each	20,00,000/-
	6.	Sitting fees as per MoEFCC prescribed rates 4 persons x 4 days x 33 ERs @ ₹4,000/- per day	21,12,000/-
	7.	Per diem to evaluation team 4 persons x 5 days x 33 ERs @ ₹1,200/- per day	7,92,000/-
	8.	Report writing cost to the Chairman, MEE Team ₹5000 per ER x 33 ERS	1,65,000/-
	9.	Printing of report	10,00,000/-
	10.	Miscellaneous & contingency	5,00,000/-
	Total		2,29,04,600/-
Programme Division	Project Elephant		

Objectives of the Project

- To evaluate the differences in legal protection, management strategies, ecological functions and anthropogenic pressure providing insights into the effectiveness of reserve-based conservation approaches.
- Identifying priority tasks for habitat management, including that of enrichment and consolidation.
- To propose a strategic framework for the formulation of Elephant Conservation Plan within Elephant Reserves.

Project Outcomes

- Enhanced Management Effectiveness: Improved planning, resource allocation and implementation of conservation strategies in Elephant Reserves.
- Identifying priority tasks for habitat management including that of enrichment and consolidation.
- Contribution is streamlining management of Human-Elephant Conflicts: Data-driven strategies to address and reduce conflicts in and around ERS.
- Fostering greater involvement of communities and other stakeholders in ER management through a structured approach.
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Recommendation of Executive Committee: The EC in its 34th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly, on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016.

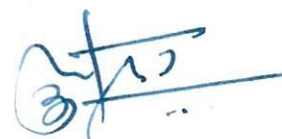
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(2) Assessing Elephant Corridors, Habitat Utilization and Conflict Hotspots in the Bandhavgarh Region:

Name of Scheme	Assessing Elephant Corridors, Habitat Utilization and Conflict Hotspots in the Bandhavgarh Region																																																																		
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun																																																																		
Project Duration/Period	03 years • Manpower • Satellite Collar & Equipment • Field Work, travel expenses, accommodation • Miscellaneous and contingencies																																																																		
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Objectives of the Project

- To understand the habitat, use and movement ecology of Asian Elephants Bandhavgarh landscape.
- To map the corridor connectivity and factors influencing movement of elephant.
- Investigate environmental risks associated with Kodo millet cultivation.
- To investigate the patterns of human-elephant conflict and the factors influencing them.

Project Outcomes

- Identification of key environmental and anthropogenic factors influencing seasonal movement patterns of elephants.
- Insights into the demographic factors, such as herd dynamics versus solitary bull behaviour, shaping movement behaviour across different seasons.
- Development of season-specific habitat use models to inform management strategies.
- Detailed maps of elephant corridors connecting Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve to surrounding areas.

Recommendation of Executive Committee: The EC in its 34th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016.

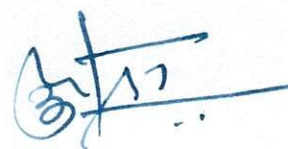
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(3) Completing the task of uploading and sharing of Recorded Forest Area (RFA) and other protected areas shapefiles with World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA):

Proforma for submission of Proposals/Schemes

Name of Scheme/Project:	Completing the task of uploading and sharing of Recorded Forest Area (RFA) and other protected areas shapefiles with World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA)		
Program Division of the Ministry	Survey & Utilization Division		
Nodal Officer of Programme Division (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	Shri K.B. Singh Inspector General of Forests (SU) Email: igf.su-moeffcc@gov.in Mobile No. 9999570451		
Nodal Officer of Implementing Agency/Institute (name and designation) and contact details-email id Mobile no	1. Shri Anoop Singh, DG, FSI, Dehradun : email : dgfsi@fsi.nic.in , Mobile No. 9491073798 2. Smt. Meera Iyer, Joint Director (FGD), FSI, Dehradun, email: jdnfdmc@fsi.nic.in , Mobile No. 9412055233		
Objectives	Improving the ranks of India in the Environment Performance Index (EPI) by reflecting the complete information and Data related to Protected Areas shape files at World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA)		
Project Duration and Year wise activities	April 2025 to March 2027		
Project Outlay	Rupees 1,50,00,000		
Year wise estimated expenditure	Technical Associates @ 45,000 per month for the period of two years	5 Number	Rupees 54,00,000
	Technical Associates @ 50,000 per month for the period of two years	1	Rupees 12,00,000
	Are GIS 10.2 license @ 14,00,000	6	Rupees 84,00,000
	Total		Rupees 1,50,00,000
New or extension/modification of existing scheme.	NA		
Revised outlay in case of existing scheme/project	NA		
In case of modification of existing scheme: The details of expenditure	NA		

incurred as on date along with copy of UC indicating unutilized fund.	
Brief note & Justification for seeking financial support from National Fund.	FSI is to share the data of Protected Areas as qualifies for the purpose of WDPA which include data related to Recorded Forest Areas, Protected Areas, ESZ, Ramsar Sites, World Heritage Sites etc. from States/UTs with the World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA). The task involves regular coordination with the States/UTs Forest Departments and WDPA. FSI team has to coordinate with SU Division of the Ministry and the States/UT Forest Departments regarding obtaining the information, polygon/ shapefiles of RFAs along with minimum attributes including addressing the discrepancies in the RFA data and scrutinize before sharing with WDPA. The work involves continuous analysis of the data. FSI is to develop SOP in compliance with WDPA guidelines/ manual for uploading the data. FSI is to coordinate with WDPA technical team for compatibility of data and attributes.
Outcomes	To increase the sharing of data from 7.97 % of total geographical area of India currently under protected areas to 23.58% of total geographical area of India under protected areas
Deliverables(including year wise)	Two year
Recommendation of the Program Division	The SU Division of the MoEFCC has examined the Proposal of Forest Survey of India regarding the task of uploading and sharing of Recorded Forest Area (RFA) and other protected areas shapefiles with World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA) for seeking financial support from National fund as per the section 5(b)(iii) of the CAF Act 2016. The SU Division of the MoEFCC will function as Program Division for the Scheme/Pilot Project which will be implemented through Forest Survey of India act as Implementing Agency and 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.

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22.04.2025

Signature of Nodal Officer of the Program Division

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(4) Conservation and Management of Sloth Bear in India- A Landscape based initiative:

Name of Scheme	Conservation and Management of Sloth Bear in India- A Landscape based initiative							
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun							
Project Duration/Period	Five Years							
Project Outlay	Part A- Rs. 13.67 crore (Scientific Research & Monitoring) WII component Detailed 5-Year Budget – Wildlife Institute of India (Wii) Coordination Role							
	Component	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total INR (lakh)	Justification
	1. Personnel (1 Project Manager, 4 project Associates & 6 Assistants)	79.92	79.92	79.92	79.92	79.92	399.6	Personnel support for national coordination, monitoring, reporting, data handling, and technical evaluations. Salaries aligned with WII norms.
	2. Annual National Review Meetings	30	30	30	30	30	150	Annual meetings with MoEFCC and 16 state teams. Costs cover venue, travel, stay, logistics, and documentation.
	3. Training & Capacity Building	40	40	40	40	40	200	Two training programs/year on conflict mitigation, bear ecology, monitoring. Engaging subject matter specialist for training etc. Travel, training materials, and resource persons. Workshop and logistic related expenses.
	4. Travel- field visit/ survey Monitoring Visits to States (16) Investigators and project personnel's (approx. N=13)	40	45	45	45	45	220	Regular field monitoring by expert teams. Covers travel, field accommodation, evaluation, and feedback to state teams.
	5. Cameras. Software, computer, printer, minor equipment's all other relevant expenses	25	15	15	15	15	15	Development & maintenance of Sloth bear population, distribution, hotspot mapping for tracking implementation, photo uploads, and analytics. Includes computer software, GIS/remote sensing, statistical software, office tools, etc
	6. IEC Materials	20	20	20	20	20	100	Production of posters.

& Outreach Campaigns							booklets, community videos, multi-language content, including school and media campaigns.
7. Consumable, stationaries, batteries, analysis tools, designing, printing etc	15	20	20	20	20	95	For data collection, documentation and communication. Include accessories, printing materials and field use supplies. Also include high quality design translation and layout infographics etc.
8. Publications, Final Technical Report, progress report & Dissemination	8	10	10	10	25	63	Various publication including progress report, Final project report, best practices, peer-reviewed papers, and stakeholder dissemination.
9. Miscellaneous, Contingency, etc	11	10	10	12	11	54	Unforeseen costs, inflation, medical policy (as per WII norms) operational flexibility
TOTAL	268.92	269.92	269.92	271.92	285.92	1366.60	5-Year consolidated budget for WII as the National Coordinating Agency.

Part B -113.70 crore (16 States Forest Department)

Indicative budget outlay consolidates for 5 years (2025 – 2030) – 16 States Component

S. No.	State/UT	Approximate Slot Bear population (N)	Forest Cover (sq km)	% of Geographical Area	Fund Allocation (Considered based on population, forest cover & Interface status) Rs. Crore
1	Madhya Pradesh	~3,500–4,000	77,493	25.14%	18.20
2	Chhattisgarh	~2,000–2,500	55,611	41.19%	14.00
3	Maharashtra	~2,000–2,500	50,832	16.50%	13.50
4	Odisha	~2,000–2,200	52,156	33.50%	14.00
5	Karnataka	~1,500–2,000	38,730	20.19%	10.50
6	Jharkhand	~1,000–1,500	23,721	29.76%	8.50
7	Telangana	~1,000–1,200	20,582	18.06%	7.00
8	Andhra Pradesh	~800–1,000	29,137	17.87%	6.00
9	Gujarat	~500–700	14,986	7.64%	4.50
10	Rajasthan	~400–600	16,654	4.87%	4.00
11	Tamil Nadu	~300–400	26,904	20.27%	3.50
12	Kerala	~300–400	21,253	54.35%	3.50
13	Uttar Pradesh	~200–300	14,818	6.20%	2.50
14	Goa	~100–150	2,244	59.94%	1.50
15	West Bengal	~100–150	11,879	13.38%	1.50
16	Uttarakhand	~100	24,305	45.44%	1.00
Total					Rs. 113.70 crore

Programme Division Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC

Objectives of the Project

- To establish a robust system for monitoring sloth bear population status and distribution across their range states.
- To develop and implement effective strategies for managing and reducing human-bear negative interaction in interface prone areas.
- To identify and restore degraded sloth bear habitats and maintain habitat/ corridor connectivity through ecological restoration efforts.
- To enhance the capacity of stakeholders for effective sloth bear conservation and conflict

management. • To promote community engagement and awareness for fostering coexistence • between humans and sloth bears.
Key strategies of the project • Strengthening habitat connectivity and reducing anthropogenic pressures. • Establishing early warning and rapid response mechanisms to mitigate conflicts. • Enhancing local community participation, awareness, and capacity building. • Integrating sloth bear conservation into broader wildlife and land-use policies. • Research and monitoring that will be used for future applied research.

Recommendation of Executive Committee: The EC in its 35th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016. The update/compliance in this regard from the PD is awaited.

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(5) Identifying effective wildlife management interventions for replication:

Name of Scheme	Identifying effective wildlife management interventions for replication			
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun			
Project Duration/Period	15 months			
Project Outlay	Head	Year I	Year II	Total
	Manpower (one Project Scientist & four Project Fellows)	36,00,000.00	9,00,000.00	45,00,000.00
	Travel	25,00,000.00	5,00,000.00	30,00,000.00
	Stakeholder consultations	25,00,000.00	5,00,000.00	30,00,000.00
	Data compilation & report prep.	15,00,000.00	5,00,000.00	20,00,000.00
	Video documentation	30,00,000.00	----	30,00,000.00
	Misc. expenses	10,00,000.00	5,00,000.00	15,00,000.00
	TOTAL	1,41,00,000.00	29,00,000.00	1,70,00,000.00
	Rs. 1.70 crore			
Programme Division	Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC			
Objectives of the Project				
1. Document and analyze past successful wildlife management interventions across India. 2. Identify key replicable elements from these models — legal, ecological, social, and financial. 3. Develop a replication framework to scale up interventions across priority landscapes. 4. Engage stakeholders to ensure integrated conservation and development outcomes. 5. Video documentation of successful wildlife management interventions for knowledge dissemination.				
Project Outcomes and Deliverables:				
Outcomes:				
1. Enhanced capacity for implementing proven conservation models. 2. Strengthened policy-practice linkages. 3. Reduced human-wildlife conflict in replication sites. 4. Improved biodiversity and habitat connectivity. 5. Increased community participation and benefits.				
Deliverables:				
1. Compendium of replicable wildlife interventions. 2. Replication frameworks and toolkits. 3. Stakeholder consultation reports. 4. Site-specific implementation roadmaps. 5. Video documentation of successful management interventions.				

Recommendation of Executive Committee: The EC in its 35th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016. The update/compliance in this regard from the PD is awaited.

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(6) Establishment of National Centre of Excellence for Human-Wildlife Conflict Management (NCCM) at SACON, Coimbatore as announced by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India:

Name of Scheme	Establishment of National Centre of Excellence for Human-Wildlife Conflict Management (NCCM) at SACON, Coimbatore as announced by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India		
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun		
Project Duration/Period	5 years		
Project Outlay	Rs. 99.545 crore		
	Sr. No	Year	Estimate Budget (Rs. in crore)
	1	Year 1 (2025-26)	23.289
	2	Year 2 (2026-27)	20.644
	3	Year 3 (2027-28)	19.105
	4	Year 4 (2028-29)	17.755
	5	Year 5 (2029-30)	18.751
		Total	99.545
Programme Division	Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC		
Objectives of the Project			
a) Policy and Advocacy Support: Review of existing policies and undertake gap analyses to guide the Centre and State Governments on targeted policy and field actions, including the support for implementation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Human Wildlife Conflict Management, being considered by MoEF&CC b) Spatial Analyses and Knowledge Management: Zonation (of wildlife-matrix, interface and human-matrix), spatial prioritisation and implementation of the region specific and species-specific action plans on human-wildlife interactions as may be desired by various stakeholders. Manage a National Database on Human Wildlife Interface and Actions, including Production of 'State of HWI Report'. c) Integration of Advance Technologies: Need and feasibility assessment of various technologies including AI, hand holding and knowledge transfer (technology transfer) to the targeted stakeholders. d) Awareness and Stakeholders Engagement: Regular engagement of stakeholders at various levels to manage the situation through social engineering, involving production and dissemination of knowledge and awareness materials to sensitise people and create a cadre of volunteers and constituency/stewardship for conflict management. e) Capacity and Skill Development: Plan and execute curriculum and knowledge products to develop capacity of forest officers/staff, line agencies and community leaders to enhance the capacity and stewardship.			
Outcomes and Deliverables:			
Outcomes:			
The major outcome of the project would be decrease/prevent deaths of people/animals and property Loss from Human-Wildlife Conflicts, and maintaining No Conflict Area as No Conflict Area. The following specific outcomes are as follows:			
a) Policy and advocacy support through review of National Action Plan on HWC and SoPs, and develop local-level land-use policy with focus on habitat connectivity, management and cropping			

- patterns, and other economic activities.
- b) Specialised knowledge management system on HWI and National-level maps of HWI areas, with 'demarcation of Zones' of (1) Wildlife-matrix, (2) Interface and (3) People-matrix for guiding decisions.
 - c) Periodic status report with trend and hotspots of current and future conflicts.
 - d) Develop HWI-Tracking and Prediction Tool involving AI and ML.
 - e) Deployment of Advance Technologies such as E-Eye, E-bird, wireless sensors, Automated Trapping Traps and mobile application in Human-wildlife Conflict Management.
 - f) Integration of technologies and Citizen Science to Dashboard with real-time monitoring, alert, and predictions
 - g) Support deployment and functioning of Special Performance Units supported with technologies.
 - h) Engagement of social media, Youth and Student Clubs, Volunteer Network, EIACP Network and NGOs to scale up stakeholder engagements.
 - i) Develop and implement National Certification and Award Scheme for Farmers, Students, Volunteers and Media for adopting to changed behaviour and cropping patterns and minimising HWC.
 - j) Visualization and Advance Planning Tools to engage targeted Panchayats and District Administration.
 - k) Develop and impart 1-month Certificate Course on HWI management for district/divisional officers of all line departments and specialized course for forest officials and staff.
 - l) Plan and execute exposure visits to best practice areas (within and outside country) and Field-to-Field Training Programs for various Stakeholders.
 - m) Develop curriculum, training materials and offers capsule modules on HWI in National Academies, Forest Training Institutions, National, State and Regional Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, rural colleges, etc.
 - n) National level mapping and monitoring of Zone of Influence across all Protected Areas and other wildlife-rich areas, to support spatial prioritization including hotspots and direct actions (Collaborate with BISAG-N, NRSC, etc.).
 - o) Assess movement ecology of the conflict species, habitat quality and model carrying capacity (ecological and social) of various conflict species in representative sites across the country.
 - p) Undertake experiments and support implementation of population control measures and behavioral alteration including negative conditioning in the human matrix (Collaborate with TANVAS, TNFD, IVRI, etc.).
 - q) Undertake One Health Research with focus on HWI and execute species-specific and site-species actions to minimize and mitigate HWI (Collaborate with Indian Institute of Public Health Gandhinagar, Centre for One Health Kerala, NIAS, etc.).

Deliverables:

Year 1

- a) National Workshop and Report on Current National Action Plan and SoPs on Human Wildlife Conflict Management
- b) Update of National Database on Human Wildlife Conflict cases and produce State of Human-Wildlife Conflict Report
- c) Deployment of Modern Technologies in selected HWC areas in the country.
- d) Multi-lingual site- and species-specific awareness materials such as pamphlets, posters and short films emphasizing wildlife behaviour and their ecosystem services to minimize the conflict.
- e) Curriculum, training materials and capsule modules on HWI in National Academies, Forest Training Institutions, National, State and Regional Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, rural colleges, etc.
- f) Map of Zone of Influence across selected Protected Areas and other wildlife-rich areas, to support spatial prioritization including hotspots and direct actions (Collaborate with BISAG-N, NRSC, etc.).

Year 2

- a) Regional Workshops and Report on various policy instruments that are followed by different states to deal with HWC and explore the possibility to rationalise and converge for value-based uniformity.
- b) Update of National Database on Human Wildlife Conflict cases and produce State of Human-Wildlife Conflict Report.

- c) Updated curriculum, training materials and capsule modules on HWI in National Academies, Forest Training Institutions, National, State and Regional Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, rural colleges, etc. Field-to-Field exchange visits and training program.
- d) National-level map of HWI areas in priority states, with 'demarcation of Zones' of (1) Wildlife-matrix, (2) Interface and (3) People-matrix for guiding decisions.
- e) Deployment of Modern Technologies in selected HWC areas in the country
- f) Establishment of Youth and Student Clubs, Volunteer Network, EIACP Network and NGOs to engage all levels of civil society, student and media networks to scale up stakeholder engagements.
- g) Implement 1-month Certificate Course on HWI management for district/divisional officers of all line departments and specialised course for forest officials and staff.
- h) Assess the habitat quality and model carrying capacity (ecological and social) of various conflict species in representative sites across the country (Collaborate with Indian Statistical Institute and its centres).
- i) Study movement ecology of the conflict species from representative areas and model future conflicts so that suitable policy and actions can be visualised and acted upon. (Collaborate with AIWC, IISc, etc.)

Year 3

- a. Update of National Database on Human Wildlife Conflict cases and produce State of Human-Wildlife Conflict Report.
- b. Updated curriculum, training materials and capsule modules on HWI in National Academies, Forest Training Institutions, National, State and Regional Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, rural colleges, etc. Field-to-Field exchange visits and training program.
- c. Updated national-level map of HWI areas in other priority states, with 'demarcation of Zones' of (1) Wildlife-matrix, (2) Interface and (3) People-matrix for guiding decisions.
- d. Deployment of Modern Technologies in selected HWC areas in the country, including HWI-Tracking and Prediction Tool.
- e. Establishment and deployment of Special Performance Units/Conflict Management Task Force (supported by spatial technologies and mechatronics) that can deal with conflict and community engagement activities.
- f. National Certification and Award Scheme for Farmers, Students, Volunteers and Media for adopting to changed behaviour and cropping patterns and minimising HWC.
- g. Implement activities of Youth and Student Clubs, Volunteer Network, EIACP Network and NGOs to engage all levels of civil society, student and media networks to scale up stakeholder engagements.
- h. Implement 1-month Certificate Course on HWI management for district/divisional officers of all line departments and specialised course for forest officials and staff.
- i. Establishment of 'HWI Management Fund' through Government resources, investments/insurances and CSR avenues and offer advocacy on financial literacy and management to various stakeholders.
- 10. Regional Workshops for Stakeholders to share best-practices on human-wildlife conflict management.
- j. Assess the habitat quality and model carrying capacity (ecological and social) of various conflict species in representative sites across the country (Collaborate with Indian Statistical Institute and its centres).
- k. Study movement ecology of the conflict species from representative areas and model future conflicts so that suitable policy and actions can be visualised and acted upon. (Collaborate with AIWC, IISc, etc.)

Year 4

- a. Develop local-level land-use policy with focus on habitat connectivity, management and cropping patterns, and other economic activities that are conducive to local area towards minimizing the conflict conditions.
- b. Update of National Database on Human Wildlife Conflict cases and produce State of Human-Wildlife Conflict Report.
- c. Updated curriculum, training materials and capsule modules on HWI in National Academies, Forest Training Institutions, National, State and Regional Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, rural colleges, etc. Field-to-Field exchange visits and training program.
- d. Deployment of Modern Technologies in selected HWC areas in the country, including HWI-Tracking and Prediction Tool.

- e. Implement activities of Youth and Student Clubs, Volunteer Network, EIACP Network and NGOs to engage all levels of civil society, student and media networks to scale up stakeholder engagements.
- f. Implement 1-month Certificate Course on HWI management for district/divisional officers of all line departments and specialised course for forest officials and staff.
- g. Regional Workshops for Stakeholders to share best-practices on human-wildlife conflict management.
- h. Integration of technologies and Citizen Science to Dashboard with real-time monitoring, alert and predictions.
- i. Integration of HWC Management in Gram Panchayat Development Plans and District Development Plans.
- j. Undertake experiments and support implementation of population control measures and behavioural alteration including negative conditioning in the human matrix.

Year 5

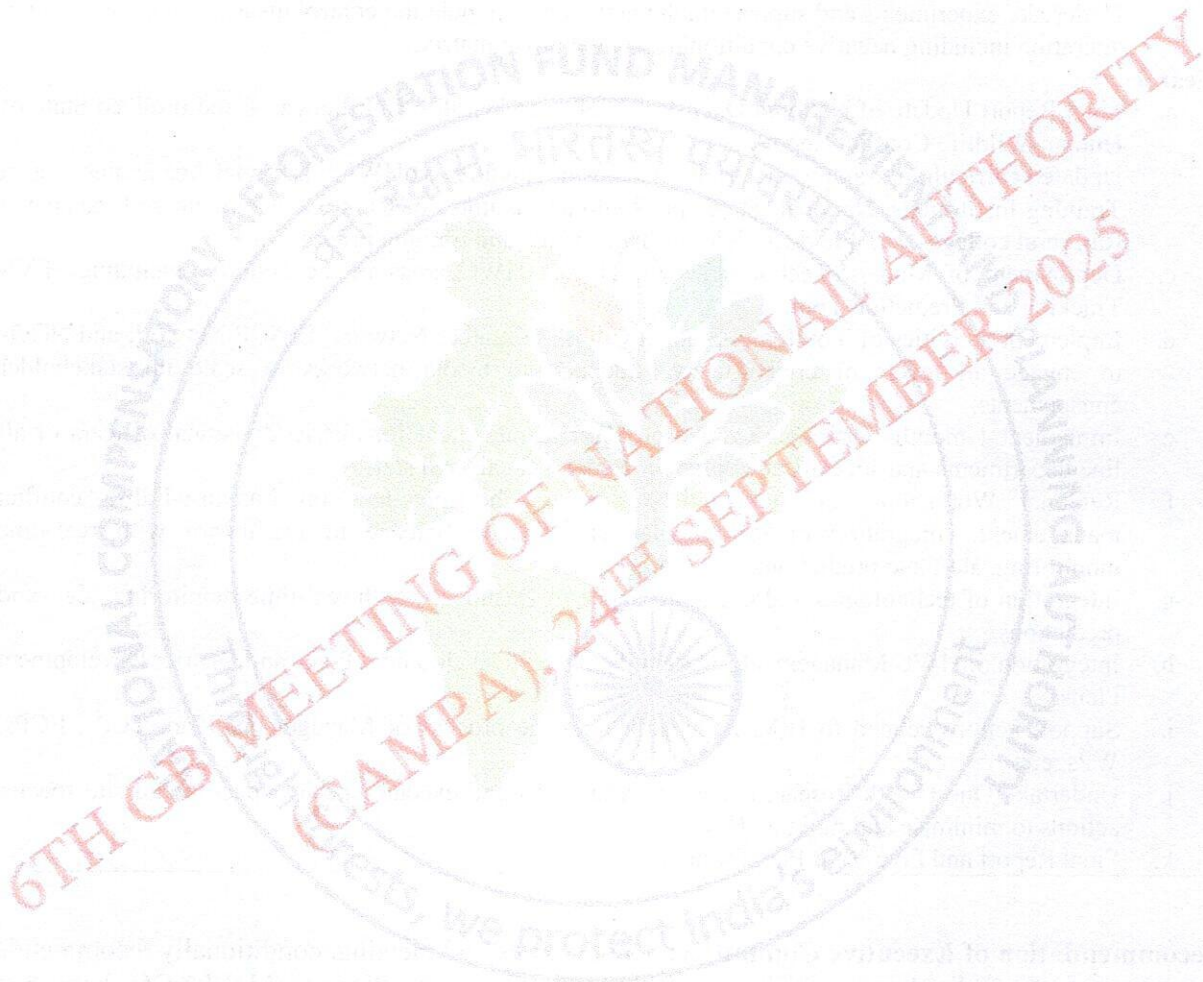
- a. Final Report Update of National Database on Human Wildlife Conflict cases and produce State of Human-Wildlife Conflict Report.
- b. Updated curriculum, training materials and capsule modules on HWI in National Academies, Forest Training Institutions, National, State and Regional Institutes of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, rural colleges, etc. Field-to-Field exchange visits and training program.
- c. Deployment of Modern Technologies in selected HWC areas in the country, including HWI-Tracking and Prediction Tool.
- d. Implement activities of Youth and Student Clubs, Volunteer Network, EIACP Network and NGOs to engage all levels of civil society, student and media networks to scale up stakeholder engagements.
- e. Implement 1-month Certificate Course on HWI management for district/divisional officers of all line departments and specialised course for forest officials and staff.
- f. Regional Workshops for Stakeholders to share best-practices on human-wildlife conflict management. Integration of technologies and Citizen Science to Dashboard with real-time monitoring, alert and predictions.
- g. Integration of technologies and Citizen Science to Dashboard with real-time monitoring, alert and predictions.
- h. Integration of HWC Management in Gram Panchayat Development Plans and District Development Plans.
- i. Support actions related to HWI management in the process of Management Plan, TCPs, ECPs, WPs, etc.
- j. Undertake One Health Research with focus on HWI and execute species-specific and site-species actions to minimise and mitigate HWI.
- k. Final Report and Five-Year Plan for next Phase.

Recommendation of Executive Committee: The EC in its 35th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016. The update/compliance in this regard from the PD is awaited.

Decision of the Governing Body: The proposal was discussed. Governing Body decided to grant in-principle approval to the proposed scheme.

Further, in view of the issue raised by CEO CAMPA, related to applicability of the O.M. No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August, 2016 issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, it was decided that the JS&FA, MoEF&CC shall make the necessary reference to DoE and seek clarification on applicability of aforesaid OM on expenditure on schemes proposed for funding

from the National CAMPA Fund under Section 5(b)(iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016. Further action shall be taken accordingly.



(7) Management of Tigers Outside Tiger Reserves: strategy to deal with Man-tiger Conflict

Name of Scheme	Management of Tigers Outside Tiger Reserves: strategy to deal with Man-tiger Conflict						
Implementing Agency	PCCF and CWLW of States						
Project Duration/Period	3 years						
Project Outlay	Rs. 88.70 crore						
	(Rs. in Lakh)						
	S. No	Activity	outlay per division	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	Total
	1	Technological intervention for the protection and monitoring of tigers and co-predators	20	800	400	400	1600
	2	Strengthening the managers with tools and technology to address Human-wildlife conflict	40	1600	1000*	1000*	3600
	3	Capacity building-Staffs/JFMCs/Veterinarians/N GOs/Civil Society Organizations	10	400	400	400	1200
	4	Extension and outreach activities	10	400	400	400	1200
	5	Creation of escape refuges and prey augmentation closures	10	400	400	400	1200
	6	a) Monitoring of Project at NTCA HQ level		15	15	15	45
		b) Evaluation of Project at NTCA HQ level				25	25
		Total Outlay	90	3615	2615	2640	8870
	*in case of 2 nd year and 3 rd year as purchase of equipment's are not necessary, it is proposed to allocate Rs.25 lakh/Division for the activity mentioned at Sl.no 2.. *in case of 2 nd year and 3 rd year as purchase of equipment's are not necessary, it is proposed to allocate Rs.10 lakh/Division for the activity mentioned at Sl.no 1.. For a pilot basis of project TOTR, an estimated amount of Rs 88.70 Crores is required with 36.15 crores for 2025-26; 26.15 Crores for 2026-27 and 26.40 Crores for 2027-28						
	Programme Division	National Tiger Conservation Authority, MoEF&CC					
Objectives of the Project							
a) To address the Human-tiger and other Co-predators conflict issue in the areas outside Tiger Reserves by strengthening the infrastructure, protection system etc. b) To have sustainable conservation of Tigers, co-predators and its habitats in the areas outside Tiger reserves by ensuring co-existence with the local communities							
Outcomes and Deliverables:							
a) Reduction in Human-tiger conflict issues in the areas outside Tiger Reserves due to continuous monitoring and through early warning system by involving local communities. b) Conservation of tiger and its habitat through reducing conflict and outreach programs							
Recommendation of 34 th EC: The EC recommended the scheme in-principle on pilot basis for one year. However, the NTCA is requested to furnish revised year wise estimates since 2024-25 year has elapsed.							

Afterwards, the approval of governing body shall be sought.

Recommendation of 35th Executive Committee: The EC in its 35th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016. The update/compliance in this regard from the PD is awaited.

Decision of the Governing Body: The proposal was discussed. Governing Body decided to grant in-principle approval to the proposed scheme.

Further, in view of the issue raised by CEO CAMPA, related to applicability of the O.M. No. 24(35)/PF-II/2012 dated 5th August, 2016 issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, it was decided that the JS&FA, MoEF&CC shall make the necessary reference to DoE and seek clarification on applicability of aforesaid OM on expenditure on schemes proposed for funding from the National CAMPA Fund under Section 5(b)(iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016. Further action shall be taken accordingly.

(8) All India Elephant Population Estimation 2022

Name of Scheme	All India Elephant Population Estimation 2022		
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun		
Project Duration/Period	1 year		
Project Outlay	Rs. 0.75 crore (Additional Funding)		
	SNO	Particulars	Amount (In Rs.)
	1	DNA Extraction Kits	2025000/-
	2	PCR reagents kit	400000/-
	3	Library Preparations Atoplex custom panel of microsatellites (2nos)	309910/-
	4	Dual DNA BC Library Preparation set x3	1555500/-
	5	Dual barcode circularization x3	86400/-
	6	Balancing reagents	
	7	Sequencing cost flow cell x20	2400000/-
	8	Plastic ware, other reagents	685331/-
		Total	7538641/-
Programme Division	Project Elephant Division, MoEF&CC		

Recommendation of Executive Committee: The proposal was recommended by Programme Division for approval of additional amount of Rs. 0.75 crore for ongoing scheme funded by National Authority. This is an old scheme which has been appraised & concurred by the IFD and has the administrative approval in accordance with the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016.

Based on the recommendation of the 35th EC, the request has been processed on e-file for release of this additional amount for the scheme.

Decision of Governing Body: The Governing Body approved the above scheme for additional funding as recommended by Executive Committee of National Authority.

(9) THE RANGE WIDE ENUMERATION OF RIVER AND ESTUARINE DOLPHIN POPULATION IN INDIA

Name of Scheme	The Range wide Enumeration of River and Estuarine Dolphin Population in India”			
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun			
Project Duration/Period	2.5 years			
Project Outlay	1243.22 Lakhs (12.43 crores) for 30 months (2 & half years) (2025-2027)			
	Assam, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand & Odisha – Ganges, Indus River Dolphins & Irrawaddy Dolphins			
	(Rs. in Lakh)			
	Staff (Emoluments/wages for contractual & temporary staff engaged in implementing Project activities)	254.88	254.88	254.88
	Boat and Support Vehicle (hiring & fuel)	69.12	69.12	69.12
	Travelling	9.04	9.04	9.04
	Instrument	46.20	46.20	46.20
	Laboratory Work	24.00	24.00	24.00
	Workshop	13.00	13.00	13.00
	Publication	3.00	2.00	7.00
	Boarding and Lodging during the survey	54.89	54.89	54.89
	Contingency	44.11	50.75	15.15
	Total	518.24	558.29	166.70
Programme Division	Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC			
Objectives				
a) Capacity Building: To conduct workshops and training sessions on river dolphin survey techniques for Forest Department staff, and associated departments/organizations.				

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- b) Dolphin Enumeration: To conduct a comprehensive count of Ganges, Indus River dolphins and Irrawaddy dolphins and assess their habitats across India.
- c) Biodiversity and Habitat Monitoring:
- d) To monitor the status of:
 - Associated biodiversity within critical areas,
 - Habitat conditions and anthropogenic activities,
 - Fish and plankton abundance,
 - Water quality and pollution levels across the entire distribution range of the river & Irrawaddy dolphin in India.
 To monitor changes over time

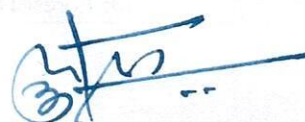
Outcomes and Deliverables

- a) Enhanced Institutional Capacity: Improved technical expertise among frontline staff of the Forest Department and associated organizations through hands-on training and workshops, leading to more effective and standardized dolphin monitoring and conservation efforts.
- b) Reliable Population Estimates: Generation of synchronized, Range wide population estimates of Ganges, Indus River, and Irrawaddy dolphins in India, providing a robust scientific baseline for conservation planning, threat mitigation, and policy development.
- c) Improved Understanding of Biodiversity and Habitat Health: Comprehensive data on associated aquatic biodiversity, habitat quality, fish and plankton abundance, and human-induced pressures in dolphin habitats, contributing to ecosystem-level conservation strategies.
- d) Long-term Ecological Insights: Establishment of a long-term monitoring framework to detect ecological changes, track trends in dolphin populations and habitat conditions, and evaluate the effectiveness of conservation interventions over time.
- e) Informed Policy and Conservation Actions: Evidence-based recommendations for enhancing dolphin habitat protection, managing critical threats, and integrating dolphin conservation into broader river basin and estuarine management plans.

Recommendation of 35th Executive Committee: The EC in its 35th meeting, conditionally recommended the proposal. Accordingly on priority the Programme Division (PDs) of MoEF&CC, have been informed to take necessary actions as per the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27.06.2025, wherein *inter-alia* it is primarily mentioned to ensure the compliance of the Guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016. The update/compliance in this regard from the PD is awaited. In addition to this O.M. vide F. No. WL-6/17/2025-WL-Part (I)(E-269698) dated 20.09.2025 has been received from Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC, for the approval of proposal by the Governing Body.

Decision of the Governing Body: The proposal was discussed. Governing Body decided to grant in-principle approval to the proposed scheme.

Further, in view of the issue raised by CEO CAMPA, related to applicability of the O.M. No. 24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August, 2016 issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, it was decided that the JS&FA, MoEF&CC shall make the necessary reference to DoE and seek clarification on applicability of aforesaid OM on expenditure on schemes proposed for funding from the National CAMPA Fund under Section 5(b)(iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016. Further action shall be taken accordingly.



(10) Conservation and Management of the critically endangered gharial (*Gavialis gangeticus*) in India

Name of Scheme	Conservation and Management of the critically endangered gharial (<i>Gavialis gangeticus</i>) in India						
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun						
Project Duration/Period	5 years						
Project Outlay	Rs. 45.15 crore						
	S. No.	State	Outlay (Rs. in crore)				
	1	Rajasthan	6.02				
	2	Madhya Pradesh	7.40				
	3	Uttar Pradesh	8.08				
	4	Bihar	5.99				
	5	Assam & NE India	2.81				
	6	Uttarakhand	2.86				
	7	Odisha	4.23				
	8	WII, Dehradun	7.73				
		Total	45.15				
Seven Indian States: Rs. 37.42 crore Wildlife Institute of India: Rs. 7.73 crore							
Budget Part A (State Forest Department)							
State	Activities	Budget (in Rs)					
		I year	II year	III year	IV year	V year	Total
Rajasthan	Establish a rearing centre at Kota, daily management and veterinary support.	* (NIL)	2,50,00,000.0	20,00,000.0	22,05,000	23,15,250.0	3,15,20,250.0
	Conduct annual surveys to assess the population status.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Protect the nest from predation, and accidental flooding due to unregulated water releases.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Train forest staff and local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,65,375.0	23,70,375.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,12,82,012.5
	Year-wise Sub Total (Rajasthan)	50,00,000.0	3,06,61,500.0	81,74,000.0	79,93,125	83,92,781.3	6,02,21,406.3
Madhya Pradesh	Establish a rearing centre at Sidhi, daily management and veterinary support.	* (NIL)	2,50,00,000.0	20,00,000.0	22,05,000	23,15,250.0	3,15,20,250.0
	Maintenance, daily management, and veterinary care at Deori Rearing Center, Morena	25,00,000.0	27,90,375.0	29,21,625.0	28,94,062.50	30,38,765.6	1,41,44,828.1
	Conduct annual	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3

	surveys to assess the population status.	00.0	75.0	75.0	25	06.3	81.3
	Protect the nest from predation, and accidental flooding due to unregulated water releases.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Train forest staff and local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	10,00,000.0	10,50,000.0	11,02,500.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	55,25,631.3
	Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,65,375.0	23,70,375.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,12,82,012.5
	Year-wise Sub Total (Madhya Pradesh)	75,00,000.0	3,33,36,500.0	1,09,30,250.0	1,08,87,188	1,14,31,546.9	7,40,85,484.4
Uttar Pradesh	Maintenance, daily management and veterinary care at Kukrail Rearing Center, Lucknow	25,00,000.0	26,25,000.0	27,56,250.0	28,94,062.50	30,38,765.6	1,38,14,078.1
	Upgradation of the existing rearing centre at Katarniaghat, daily management and veterinary support	25,00,000.0	26,25,000.0	27,56,250.0	28,94,062.50	30,38,765.6	1,38,14,078.1
	Conduct annual surveys to assess the population status.	40,00,000.0	42,61,291.8	44,71,291.8	46,30,500	48,62,025.0	2,22,25,108.5
	Protect the nest from predation, and accidental flooding due to unregulated water releases.	25,00,000.0	27,90,375.0	29,21,625.0	28,94,062.50	30,38,765.6	1,41,44,828.1
	Train forest staff and local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	10,00,000.0	10,50,000.0	11,02,500.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	55,25,631.3
	Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,65,375.0	23,70,375.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,12,82,012.5
	Year-wise Sub Total (Uttar Pradesh)	1,45,00,000.0	1,55,17,041.8	1,63,78,291.8	1,67,85,563	1,76,24,840.6	8,08,05,736.6
Bihar	Establish a rearing centre at Valmiki Nagar, daily management and veterinary support.	*	2,50,000.0	20,00,000.0	22,05,000	23,15,250.0	3,15,20,250.0
	Conduct annual surveys to assess the population status.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Protect the nest from predation, and accidental flooding due to unregulated water	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3

	releases.						
	Train forest staff and local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,00,000.0	22,05,000.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,10,51,262.5
	Year-wise Sub Total (Bihar)	50,00,000.0	3,05,96,125.0	80,08,625.0	79,93,125	83,92,781.3	5,99,90,656.3
Assam & North east India	Conduct assessment of suitable habitat across historical distribution areas	20,00,000.0	21,00,000.0	22,05,000.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,10,51,262.5
	Train forest staff and local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,65,375.0	23,70,375.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,12,82,012.5
	Year-wise Sub Total (Assam & Notheast)	50,00,000.0	54,30,750.0	58,43,250.0	57,88,125	60,77,531.3	2,81,39,656.3
Uttara khand	Conduct annual surveys to assess the population status.	10,00,000.0	11,50,458.3	12,02,958.3	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	57,26,547.8
	Protect the nest from predation, and accidental flooding due to unregulated water releases.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Train forest staff and local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,65,375.0	23,70,375.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,12,82,012.5
	Year-wise Sub Total (Uttarakhand)	50,00,000.0	56,46,583.3	61,09,083.3	57,88,125	60,77,531.3	2,86,21,322.8
Odisha	Upgradation, maintenance, daily management and veterinary care at Tikarpada	50,00,000.0	20,00,000.0	21,00,000.0	22,05,000	23,15,250.0	1,36,20,250.0
	Conduct annual surveys to assess the population status.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Protect the nest from predation, and accidental flooding due to unregulated water releases.	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3
	Train forest staff and	10,00,000.0	11,65,375.0	12,67,875.0	11,57,625	12,15,506.3	58,06,381.3



		local stakeholders in population monitoring and nest protection.	00.0	75.0	75.0	25	06.3	81.3
		Educate communities about the ecological importance of gharials.	20,00,000.0	21,65,375.0	23,70,375.0	23,15,250	24,31,012.5	1,12,82,012.5
Year-wise Sub Total (Odisha)			1,00,00,000	76,61,500.0	82,74,000.0	79,93,125	83,92,781.3	4,23,21,406.3
Grant Total			5,20,00,000	12,88,50,000	6,37,17,500	6,32,28,376	6,63,89,794	37,41,85,669

Budget Part B (Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun)								
Budget for Wildlife Institute of India (2025 – 2030)								
S. No	Head	Subhead	Budget (in Rs)					
			I year	II year	III year	IV year	V year	Total
1	Staff	Senior Project – Personnel @92,000+H RA/year	13,24,800	13,24,800	13,24,800	13,24,800	13,24,800	66,24,000
		Junior Project Personnel @37,000+H RA/Year	10,66,000	10,66,000	10,66,000	10,66,000	10,66,000	53,30,000
		Field Assistant	3,60,000	3,60,000	3,60,000	3,60,000	3,60,000	1,50,000
Staff - Subtotal			27,50,800	27,50,800	27,50,800	27,50,800	27,50,800	1,37,54,000
2	Workshop	Capacity Building workshop @2,50,000/Workshop	35,00,000	36,75,000	38,58,750	40,51,687.5	42,54,271.875	1,93,39,709
		Hatchery Training for Forest Department staff and the Local Community @89,229/Workshop	12,49,200	13,11,660	13,77,243	14,46,105.15	15,18,410.408	69,02,619
Workshop - Subtotal			47,49,200	52,24,120	57,46,532	63,21,185.20	69,53,303.72	2,89,94,341
3	Laboratory	Laboratory Chemicals	15,00,000	15,75,000	16,53,750	17,36,437.5	18,23,259.375	82,88,447

		@15,00,000/ Year						
Laboratory – Sub Total			15,00,000	1575000	1653750	1736437.5	1823259.375	82,88,447
4	Travel	PI	2,00,000	105000	110250	115762.5	121550.625	6,52,563
		Researcher	2,00,000	315000	330750	347287.5	364651.875	15,57,689
Travel – Sub Total			4,00,000	4,40,000	4,84,000	5,32,400	5,85,640	24,42,040
5	Gharial Census	Bi-Annual Survey @5,50,000/ Survey	11,00,000	12,23,770	13,53,729	14,90,185	16,33,464	68,01,148
Gharial Census– Sub Total			11,00,000	13,10,000	15,41,000	17,95,100	20,74,610	78,20,710
6	Ecological dispersal studies	Transmitters @20,000/Year	20,00,000	21,68,770	23,45,978	25,32,046.90	27,27,420.00	1,17,74,215
Ecological dispersal studies – Sub Total			20,00,000	23,75,080	27,87,668	32,41,514.8	37,40,746.28	1,41,45,009
7	Feasibility Study	Historical Range and Habitat Suitability @10,00,000/Year	10,00,000	10,50,000	11,02,500	11,57,625	12,15,506.25	55,25,631.25
Feasibility Study – Sub Total			10,00,000	10,50,000	11,02,500	11,57,625	12,15,506.25	55,25,631.25
8	Outreach Programs	Awareness Material - Designing and printing (Booklet and Pamphlets) @5,00,000/Year	5,00,000	5,25,000	5,51,250	5,78,813	6,07,753.65	27,62,816.65
Outreach Programs – Sub Total			5,00,000	5,25,000	5,51,250	5,78,813	6,07,753.65	27,62,816.65
Grand Total			1,40,00,000	1,47,00,000	1,54,35,000	1,62,06,750	1,70,17,088	7,73,58,838

Programme Division

Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC

Objectives:

- To assess and monitor the population dynamics of Gharials.
- To conserve and restore critical Gharial habitats.
- To implement threat mitigation strategies.
- To foster community engagement and environmental education by involving local communities in conservation activities.
- To support research and capacity building by advancing scientific studies on Gharial ecology, genetics, and interspecies dynamics.

Outcomes:

- a) Improved understanding of Gharial populations through better data on size class and distribution.
- b) Restoration of critical habitats via ecological flow regimes and hydrologic regulation.
- c) Reduction in anthropogenic threats including habitat degradation, pollution, and exploitation.
- d) Increased community awareness and support through education and sustainable livelihoods.
- e) Strengthened institutional capacity for effective, region-specific Gharial management.
- f) Enhanced genetic diversity through creation of river corridors connecting isolated populations.
- g) Coordinated conservation *via*, establishment of a multi-stakeholder Gharial Task Force.
- h) Informed management driven by ecological, behavioral, and genetic research integration.

Deliverables:

- a) Ecological flow regimes documented and implemented for key regulated rivers.
- b) Sustainable fishing toolkit and gear distributed to the local fishing communities.
- c) Pollution mitigation strategies developed to address agro-chemical and industrial sources.
- d) Protected area management plans enhanced with anti-poaching and habitat restoration.
- e) River connectivity strategy and corridor map created to facilitate gene flow.
- f) Community engagement models implemented with participatory monitoring and livelihoods.
- g) Bilateral conservation framework established between India and Nepal for Gharials.
- h) Gharial Conservation Task Force constituted under MoEF&CC with defined roles.
- i) Scientific research outputs produced on population, competition, genetics, and movement.
- j) Annual monitoring reports generated to track conservation progress and adapt strategies.

Decision of Executive Committee: The Executive Committee made the following observations

1. The project proposal lacks adequate baseline information, which is essential for formulating and justifying the proposed interventions. The absence of such foundational data limits the scientific and conservation value of the project.
2. The proposal does not clearly outline objectives related to advanced telemetry-based research studies on Gharials, which are critical for understanding movement ecology, habitat use, and conservation planning for the species.

In view of the above observations, the Executive Committee has directed Programme Division to revise the proposal and resubmit it in compliance with the guidelines issued by National Authority vide letter no. NA-13/13/2022-NA dated 27th June 2025.

The above proposal was resubmitted by Wildlife Division (Program Division) for consideration and placing before the Governing Body for taking decision.

Decision of the Governing Body: The proposal was discussed. Governing Body decided to grant in-principle approval to the proposed scheme.

Further, in view of the issue raised by CEO CAMPA, related to applicability of the O.M. No. 24(35)/PF-II/2012 dated 5th August, 2016 issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, it was decided that the JS&FA, MoEF&CC shall make the necessary reference to DoE and seek clarification on applicability of aforesaid OM on expenditure on schemes proposed for funding from the National CAMPA Fund under Section 5(b)(iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016. Further action shall be taken accordingly.

(ii) SCHEMES/PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN WITH THE APPROVAL OF HMEF&CC AFTER 5TH MEETING OF GOVERNING BODY PLACED FOR RATIFICATION BY GOVERNING BODY

(1) Developing of genetic database of the rhino horn stockpile of Assam to curb poaching threat and assess temporal changes in genetic variation

Name of Scheme	Developing of genetic database of the rhino horn stockpile of Assam to curb poaching threat and assess temporal changes in genetic variation				
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun				
Project Duration/Period	2 Years				
Project Outlay	Rs. 41.42 Lakh				
	S. No.	Item	Unit	Year 1	Year 2
	1	Research Scholar (Project Associate I)	1	427800	213900
	2	Laboratory reagents	LS	1000000	600000
	3	Laboratory plasticware	LS	800000	400000
	4	Contingency	LS	100000	100000
		Training programs and other activities related to collaborative research between WII and Cotton University	LS	500000	0
				2827800	1313900
	Total Project Budget		Rs. 41.42 lakh		
Programme Division	Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC				
Objectives of the Project					
- To populate the existing RhoDIS-India database with the sampled rhino horns. This will be the largest Indian rhino genetic database across the world. - To preserve the historical rhino DNA samples for any future use. With the technological improvements in the context genomic tool these samples can be used in near future for genomic studies. - To combine the rhino, horn genetic data with the modern RhoDIS data and assess any changes in rhino STR allele frequency over last 40 years. - Use all this information to develop future management plans for rhino translocations within Assam as well as potential translocations to the other populations across India.					
Project Outcomes					
- The major outcome of this project will be accurate quantification of the historical rhino genetic variation in Assam. As these stockpile samples represent the allele frequencies of last 40–50-year time period across the state, they are extremely valuable information in terms of comparative analyses. - The RhoDIS-India program has generated the current allele frequencies from all the rhino-bearing regions within Assam and inclusion of the historical data will give us quantitative information on any possible allele change scenarios over last 4-5 decades. Such information from tigers have shown changing genetic structure patterns in north India. - The genetic data will use to assess uniqueness of the populations, private alleles (if any), relatedness (within and between populations) and conduct analyses to evaluate historical population connectivity and demographic history scenarios. It will have important implications in future rhino translocation plans. Apart from this the data will have valuable use in forensic studies and possible future genomic work.					

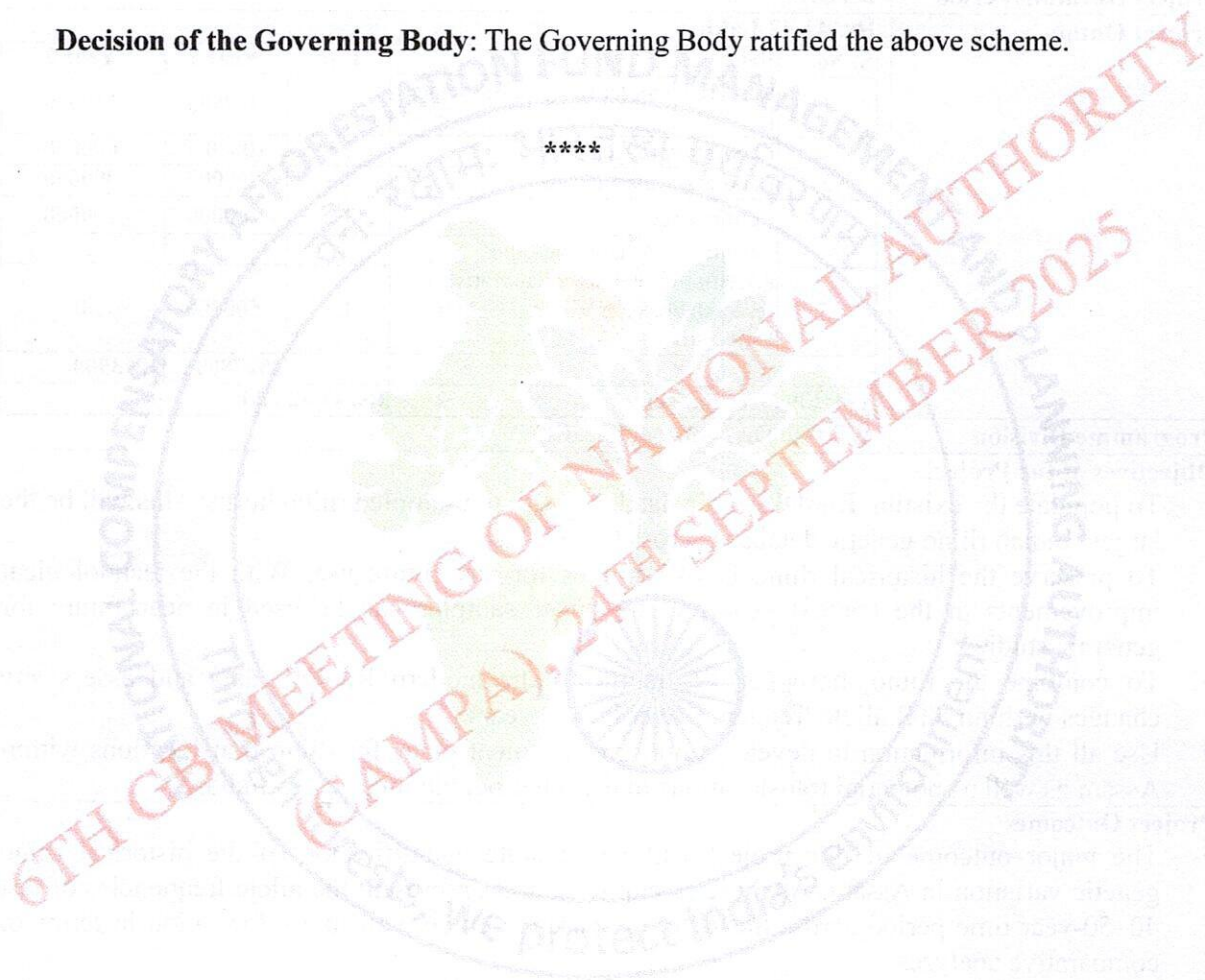
Recommendation of EC: The EC in its 32nd meeting, recommended the proposal for the consideration of the Governing Body for granting financial support from National Fund as per provision under Section 5 (b) (iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016.

Post recommendation by the EC, the scheme proposal of Wildlife Division (MoEF&CC) was submitted for necessary appraisal/concurrence and approval as per the guidelines issued by Department of expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016.

In case of this scheme proposal the IFD has concurred on file and the same has been conditionally approved on file by Hon'ble MoEF&CC, stating as follows:

“Approved, subject to strict adherence to financial guidelines.”

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body ratified the above scheme.



(2) Project Great Indian Bustard (Conservation Action Plan for GIB and Lesser Florican)-Part B"-WII:

Name of Scheme	Project Great Indian Bustard (Conservation Action Plan for GIB and Lesser Florican)-Part B"-WII		
Implementing Agency	Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun		
Project Duration/Period	The duration of project will be 10 years but the financial provision is kept initially for 5 years and depending upon the success of the project, a view on further financial support after 5 years will be taken		
Project Outlay	Rs. 26.09 crore for the period of five years (2024-2029)		
	(Rs. in Lakh)		
	S. No.	Major Activities	Budget
	1	Habitat Restoration	
	A	Restoration of grassland habitat	225
	B	Creation of Protected habitats (enclosures) in restored grasslands	Fencing
			Predator management
	C	Protection and Monitoring of Critical Conservation Areas	Engaging of anti-poaching personnel on daily wages (within enclosure and outside)
			Field patrolling equipments (hiring of vehicle; procurement of equipments like binoculars mobile + wireless set; vehicle mount + camera traps, etc.)
	2	Stakeholder and Community based approaches	
	A	Involvement of local communities	12.5
	B	Awareness programmes among locals	Outreach materials (caps, bags, stationeries etc.) and Campaigns
			Bustard Mitra Group (organizing meetings; awards etc.)
	C	Eco-development activities and Organic farming	50
	D	Eco-tourism	12.5
	E	Provision for fodder plots as an alternative for livestock grazing	Development of fodder plots
			Incentivizing GIB friendly farming practices
F	National Bustard Day	12.5	
	Total	Rs. 2609 lakh	
Programme Division	Wildlife Division, MoEF&CC		
Objectives of the Project			
Five critical sites for habitat restoration in Rajasthan are			
a) Desert National Park (DNP) wildlife Sanctuary- Salkha-Kuchri area			
b) Sanu-Mokla- parewar area			
c) Pokhran Field Firing Range (PFFR) and buffer areas			
d) Ramdevra area and habitats on the eastern periphery of the PFFR			
e) Dholiya khetolai-Chacha area along with habitats adjoining suthern boundary of PFFR.			
2. Stakeholder and community-based approaches			

- i. involvement of local stakeholder
- ii. Awareness programs among locals
- iii. Eco-development activities and organic farming
- iv. Eco-tourism
- v. provision of fodder plots and an alternative for livestock grazing
- vi. Celebration of National Bustard Day

3. Review and monitoring

Project Outcomes

- Habitat Restoration
- Restoration of grassland habitats
- Weed removal & grass plantation
- Food and water management
- Creation of protected habitats (enclosures) in restored grasslands
- Establishment/improvement of predator-proof enclosure in restored habitats
- Predator management (monitoring, translocation & sterilization)
- Protection & monitoring of Critical Conservation Areas
- Improving protection of the GIBs in the selected critical areas
- Scientific habitat management
- Stakeholder and community-based approaches
- Involvement of local stakeholders
- Awareness programme among locals
- Eco development activities and organic farming
- Ecotourism
- Provision of fodder plots as an alternative for livestock grazing
- Celebration of National Bustard Day
- Review & monitoring

Recommendation of EC: The EC in its 32nd meeting, recommended the proposal for recommending to the Governing Body for consideration for granting financial support from National Fund as per provision under Section 5. (b) (iii) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016.

Post recommendation by the EC, this scheme proposal of Wild Life Division (MoEF&CC) was submitted for necessary appraisal & concurrence and approval as per the guidelines issued by Department of expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016. In case of this scheme proposal the IFD has **commented/appraised on file but not concurred** and the same has been conditionally approved on file by Hon'ble MoEF&CC, stating as follows:

“Approved, subject to strict adherence to financial guidelines.”

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body ratified the above scheme.

(3) Study on regulation and management of cone induction and seed yield in *Pinus gerardiana* Wall. ex D.Don:

Name of Scheme	Study on regulation and management of cone induction and seed yield in <i>Pinus gerardiana</i> Wall. ex D.Don						
Implementing Agency	ICFRE-HFRI						
Project Duration/Period	4 (Four) Years						
Project Outlay	Rs. 57.12 Lakh						
	SNO	Budget Head	1 st year	2 nd year	3 rd year	4 th year	Total (Rs. in Lakh)
	1	Fellowship (One JPF @24000/- per month + 10% HRA for the first two years; SPF @28000/- PM = 10% HRA for remaining two years)	3.17	3.17	3.70	3.70	13.74
	2	Travel	1.50	1.50	1.50	0.75	5.25
	3	Material and Supplies- M&S (Consumables, glassware and chemicals)	2.00	2.13	2.00	2.00	8.13
	4	Forest Research (FRE)	2.00	3.00	5.00	2.00	12.00
	5	Capital (Equipment) one RT-PCR (15 lakh) and one autoclave (1 lakh)	16.00	0	0	0	16.00
	6	Total	24.67	9.80	12.20	8.45	55.12
	Budget for Himachal Regional Center, Govind Ballabh Pant NHE						
	7	Travel	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	2.00
	8	Total	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	2.00
	9	Consolidated (HFRI+GBP-NIHE)	25.17	10.30	12.70	8.95	57.12
Programme Division	Research & Training (RT) Division, MoEF&CC						
Short term objectives							
- To assess the impact of annual thermal oscillation, precipitation pattern and edaphic factors on cone production in <i>Pinus gerardiana</i>. - To determine the role of metabolic and gene regulation in induction of cones. - To study the effect of exogenous application of growth regulators on cone formation and seed yield							
Long term objective							
To develop strategies for regular seed production of <i>Pinus gerardiana</i> for its conservation and livelihood generation of tribal communities.							
Project Outcomes							
The first objective will provide a comprehensive understanding of the critical temperature and precipitation condition during different annual reproductive and vegetative growth phase that affect Chilgoza cone and seed production.							

- Key phytohormones involved in cone development will be identified, which can be targeted for managing and enhancing cone production.
- Transcriptome sequencing will reveal different gene expression during cone development, highlighting key gene regulatory network and candidate genes involved in this process.
- Identified gene regulatory networks and candidate genes can be targeted to improve cone and nut production.
- Through the study of exogenous phytohormones application, a strategy or protocol for the artificial regulation of cone and seed production in *Pinus gerardiana* will be developed.
- The outcomes will provide valuable knowledge and tools for enhancing cone and seed production in Chilgoza pine. This will ultimately promote the domestication of the species and uplift the livelihood of the tribal community in the region.

Recommendation of Executive Committee: The EC recommended the above scheme proposal.

Post recommendation by the EC, this scheme proposal of RT Division (MoEF&CC) **was not submitted** for necessary concurrence and administrative as per the guidelines issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance vide OM No24(35)PF-II/2012 dated 5th August 2016.

This scheme proposal has been approved on file by Hon'ble MoEF&CC.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body ratified the above scheme.

(4) Roll out and Preparedness of States for using National Transit Pass System:

Initially the project proposal on "Roll out and Preparedness of States for using National Transit Pass System" with an outlay of **Rs. 4.67 crore** for the period of **three years** was submitted by IWST through Forest Policy Division, MoEF&CC and it was recommended by Executive Committee of National Authority in its 21st meeting and approved in 3rd Governing Body meeting of National Authority.

Brief financial status of the project

S. No	Components of project	Amount allotted (in ₹)	Amount spent (in ₹)	Balance amount (in ₹)
1.	Funds to be released to NIC, New Delhi for Maintenance of web portal & mobile app of NTPS etc.	73,77,226	62,97,713	10,79,513
2.	Recruiting Master trainer – 1	5,88,000	5,75,355	12,645
3.	Establishing Helpdesk/OA – 2	9,04,440	10,13,251	-
4.	Travel (TA/DA charges for NTPS team)	15,00,000	1,89,359	13,10,641
5.	Purchase of hardware	8,00,000	8,47,594	-
6.	Contingency expenses	5,00,000	4,83,806	16,194
7.	Institutional charges of IWST	4,29,224	4,28,444	-
	Total Amount	1,20,98,910	98,35,522	23,34,005
Percentage of expenditure: 81.29%				

Discussion of EC: IWST (implementing institution) requested for transfer of Rs. 14,25,119 (Rs.10,79,513 from existing NIC component and Rs. 3,45,606 from travel component) to NIC for enhancing the server capacity of NTPS portal. Considering that, 27 States/UTs have on boarded NTPS portal, the number of users on the portal are going to increase substantially, NIC had submitted a proposal for enhancing the server capacity of NTPS portal for successful implementation the NTPS system for public use.

Recommendation of EC: The Executive Committee, recommended the proposal for reallocating ₹3,45,606 from travel component to the NIC component for maintenance of web portal & mobile app of NTPS. Accordingly, the Executive Committee recommended the proposal of IWST to release ₹ 14,25,119 (₹10,79,513 from NIC component and ₹3,45,606 from travel component) to NIC for enhancing the server capacity of NTPS portal. Further necessary action may be taken after obtaining concurrence of IFD and approval of competent authority

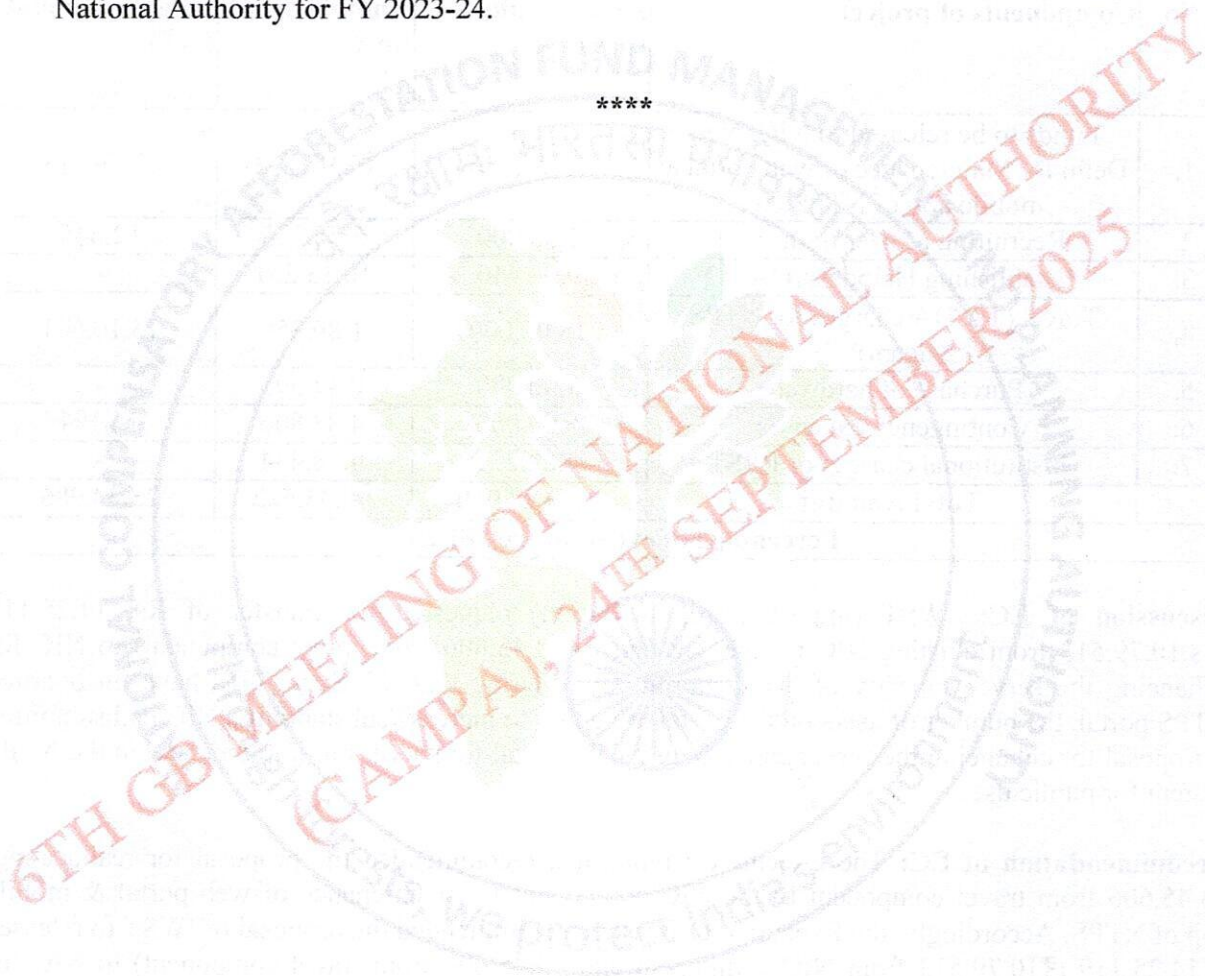
The Scheme "Roll out and Preparedness of States for using National Transit Pass System " is a re-modelled scheme duly recommended by Executive Committee, concurred by IFD and has the administrative approval on file. The present scheme is to increase the capacity of NTPS portal.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body ratified the above scheme.

Agenda Item No. 9: Annual Report of National Authority for FY 2023-24

Annual Report 2023-24 Hindi & English versions of National Authority, CAMPA were laid on the table of Lok Sabha on Monday, August 4, 2025 and were also laid on the table of Rajya Sabha on August 7, 2025. The Annual Report for the financial year 2023-24 has been placed for appraisal of Governing Body.

Decision of the Governing Body: The Governing Body took note of the Annual Report of National Authority for FY 2023-24.

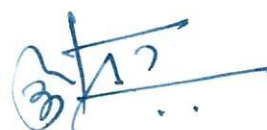


Agenda Item No. 10: Any other Agenda with the permission of the Chair

Further discussion and concluding remark by HMEF&CC

1. The Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change directed that a proposal be prepared on the revival and restoration of fragile ecosystems, including a comparative assessment of forest area loss, and that the proposal be placed before the next meeting of the Governing Body.
2. Dr. S.S. Garbyal, Expert Member, Governing Body, emphasized the need for establishing an independent monitoring committee for the legal representation of National Authority CAMPA through regular review of the progress of CAMPA activities. The Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change directed the constitution of a Committee under the National Authority, comprising Dr. S.S. Garbyal, Expert Member, and the PCCF, Gujarat, with the mandate to compile details of litigations, petitions, and any legal matters pertaining to Forest Diversion and CAMPA in the form of a report. The report shall be placed before the next meeting of the Governing Body.
3. Mr. Girish Kuber, Expert Member, Governing Body, emphasized the importance of involving local communities through educational institutions and universities, refereeing to the example of the flagship programme of the Ministry of Education, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), which connects higher education institutions with rural communities to address developmental challenges through knowledge and technology transfer. The Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change directed that the suggestion may be considered only in cases where the Universities are willing to undertake the development of Nagar Vans.
4. The Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change directed that plantations undertaken under various schemes such as MISHTI, Nagar Van Yojana, and the Green Credit Programme shall be subject to digital monitoring (on the basis of aerial photograph and satellite high resolution imageries), after a period of five years from their implementation. The prominent parameters, including canopy cover, shall be assessed in accordance with the established guidelines and protocols. The concerned officials shall be held accountable for the outcomes of such monitoring.
5. Dr. G.S. Rawat, Expert Member, Governing Body, emphasized that restoration efforts in hot and cold regions require special attention, with a focus on native flora, including medicinal and aromatic plants, shrubs, and herbs. The Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change directed that area specific project proposals on this may be submitted to National Authority, CAMPA for funding.

At the end, the Member Secretary, on behalf of all members, expressed sincere gratitude to the Hon'ble Chairperson for his valuable guidance, insightful directions, and for steering the deliberations of the meeting to a fruitful conclusion. The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.



Annexure-A

List of participants of 6th meeting of Governing Body of the National Authority CAMPA

1. Shri Bhupender Yadav, Hon'ble Minister, EF&CC.
2. Shri Kirti Vardhan Singh, Hon'ble MOS, EF&CC.
3. Shri Tanmay Kumar, Secretary, EF&CC.
4. Shri Sushil Kumar Awasthi, DGF&SS, MoEF&CC.
5. Shri Anand Mohan, Chief Executive Officer, National Authority CAMPA.
6. Shri Santosh Tiwari, ADG(FC), MOEFCC,
7. Shri Ramesh Kumar Pandey, ADG(WL), MoEF&CC.
8. Shri Nishant Verma, Joint Chief Executive Officer, National Authority CAMPA.
9. Shri Gopal Singh Rawat, Expert Member.
10. Shri Girish Kuber, Expert Member.
11. Shri Himashu Rai, Director IIM and Expert Member.
12. Shri S.S Garbyal, Expert Member.
13. Shri Asha Seth, Director, JA&FW.
14. Dr. Suvarna, PCCF&HOFF, Telangana.
15. Ms. Samidha Singh, Director, Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
16. Shri Umesh Kumar Ram, Joint Director, Department of Rural Development.
17. Dr Swati Saini, Consultant, NITI Aayog.
18. Shri A.P Nagar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
19. Dr A.P Singh, PCCF&HOFF, Gujarat.
20. Dr P.K Srivastava, Scientist G, Ministry of Earth Science.
21. Shri V Celement Ben, Member Secretary, CZA, MoEF&CC.
22. Shri P.P Singh, APCCF&CEO CAMPA, Uttar Pradesh.
23. Shri Rajesh Singh, JS&FA, MoEF&CC.
24. Dr Vandana Singh, Scientist F, DST.
25. Smt. Suveena Thakur, AIGF, National Authority CAMPA.
26. Dr Rajeev Jaiswal, OSD/Scientist G, ISRO.
27. Shri Suresh Kumar Gupta, PCCF&HOFF, Jammu and Kashmir.
28. Shri Nisheeth Saxena, Senior Consultant (Forestry and Wildlife), National Authority CAMPA.
29. Shri Praveen Kumar Saxena, Consultant (Finance and Accounts), National Authority CAMPA.
30. Dr. Priyanka Tripathi, Consultant (Forestry and Wildlife), National Authority CAMPA.
31. Dr. Anita Devi, Consultant (Forestry and Wildlife), National Authority CAMPA.
32. Smt. Apoorva Gupta, Consultant (GIS&MIS), National Authority CAMPA.