## Ad-hoc

Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority Constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, by Order dated 5<sup>th</sup> May 2006 in IA No.1337 with IA Nos.827, 1122, 1216, 1473 in

WP (Civil) No.202 of 1995: T N Godavarman Thirumalpad Vs Union of India & Ors.

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## NO.15-2(27)/2017-CAMPA

Dated the August, 2018

The Manager Incharge, Corporation Bank, Lodhi Complex Branch, Block No.11, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi 110003. ± 8 3-SEP 2018

Sub.:

CAMPA - Punjab - release of funds against APO 2018-19.

Sir,

It is requested that:

- (1) an amount of Rs.79,20,00,000.00 (Rs Seventy-nine crore and twenty lakhs only) may kindly be transferred immediately from flexi A/c. No.520141001596663 maintained in your Bank in the name of Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) (Main Account), to SB A/c No.520101263743671 in the name of Punjab State CAF, in your Bank;
- (2) an amount of Rs.79,20,00,000.00 (Rs Seventy-nine crore and twenty lakhs only) may kindly be transferred immediately from SB A/c No.520101263743671 in the name of Punjab State CAF in your Bank, to A/c. No.30963622956 in the name of Punjab State CAMPA in State Bank of India, Chandigarh [IFSC Code SBIN0000628].

Yours faithfully,

(D K Sinha)

Inspector General of Forests and Chief Executive Officer, Ad-hoc CAMPA

Copy to The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/ HoFF, Department of Forest & Wildlife Preservation, Government of Punjab, Forest Complex, Sector 68, Ajitgarh, Mohali, with reference to letter No. campa/2017-18/3228 dated 30.07.2018.

- 2. The Present release is being made as Rs. 79.20 crores against the entitlement for the year 2018-19. It is to be spent as per CAMPA guidelines and keeping in view the provisions of CAF Act, 2016 and CAF Rules, 2018 made therein which have been notified recently.
- 3. Various non-permissible activities have been observed in APO, such as, Rs. 61.57 lakhs for POL charges, Rs. 50.00 lakhs for Van Chetna Kendre/ Inspection Huts construction and maintenance, Rs. 1.00 crore for Entry Point Activities for State Scheme, Rs. 22.00 lakhs for Kisaan Mela, etc. Rs. 10.0 lakhs for Nature Camps, Rs. 20.00 lakhs for training in MGS Institute and FRI, etc., Rs. 36.00 lakhs for NGO facilitation, Rs. 25.00 lakhs for telecasting advertisement, Rs. 80.00 lakhs for administrative charges for PCCF office, etc.

- 4. In relation to the report on shortcomings as furnished by the State, the following is stated:
- Non-timely submission of QPRS impacts the releases to the State CAMPA;
- even though the report on status of CA over the last 5 years table is unclear
- expenditure level reported is 97.29% which evidences a clear scope for improvement; b
- project wise and component wise reconciliation of remittances to the Ad-hoc Ċ d

CAMPA/ Rajasthan account reflects very slow progress Unsatisfactory;

- Comments of State in fulfilment fo perceived shortcomings etc. are awaited.
- the report on high inaccuracy levels in the e. Green Watch portal is not satisfactive and also, is silent on the twin aspects of correction of the past polygons and Central screening of polygons before being loaded on the portal;
- The present release of funds is further subject to the Rajasthan State CAMPA not functioning in the Society mode and is further subject to the following conditions, viz.:
- it is ensured that only those activities as are permitted as per the State CAMPA Guidelines read with Hon'ble Supreme Court's interim order dt 10 07 2009 and guidelines issued by the (i) National CAMPA Advisory Council from time to time shall be executed;
- while carrying out the work of utilizing these funds the broad guidelines adopted by NREGA may be followed and as far as possible work may be allotted mostly to rural unemployed (ii) people, maintaining the minimum wage level;
- d herein shall be utilized for taking up site specific works already approved by MoEF while granting prior approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, which are eligible as per the CAMPA guidelines and decisions communicated from time to time;
- State CAMPA shall create database containing GPS location of works executed from CAMPA funds, including shape file of plantation locations;
- Only those items of work which are taken up and duly and specifically approved by the State (iv) CAMPA Steering Committee, subject further to (i) above shall be permitted; (v)
- Maintenance, as per approved cost norms, of afforestation works undertaken in the previous years from CAMPA funds, unless such afforestation works, if any, have been formally declared as failed efforts, shall form first charge on funds released. Details of failed efforts, if any, shall (vi)
- Periodical reports/ returns as stipulated in this Ministry's circulated dated 17th May 2012 are
- Annual audit of funds shall be undertaken as per the provisions indicated in the State CAMPA (vii) (viii) (D K Sinha) Guidelines.

Inspector General of Forests and Chief Executive Officer, Ad-hoc CAMPA

Copy to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional

Office, Ministry of Environment Forests and Climate Change, Lucknow.

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