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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

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To.

Principal Secretary
Forest & Wildlife Department
Government of Haryana

Sub: Annual Plan Operation for the year 2021-22 of Haryana State CAMPA-reg

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to letter no. 5 dated 08.04.2021 of Haryana CAMPA on the above mentioned subject and to convey the approval of the Executive Committee of the National Authority under Section 15 (1) (i) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Act, 2016 for the mandatory and time bound activities of Annual Plan of Operation-Haryana (2021-22). National Authority has approved Rs.155.98 Crores (Rupees One hundred fifty five crores and ninety eight lakhs only) and deferred Rs.118.32 crores (Rupees One hundred eighteen crores and thirty-two lakhs only) out of proposed outlay Rs.319.66 crores vide letter dated 25th June, 2021.

The State Authority has furnished details of the deferred activities. The details of approval of deferred activities of worth **Rs.118.32 crores** are as under

(Amount in Crores)

S. No.	Activity	Physical Target	Financial Target (Rs. in Crore)	Remarks		
1.	Site Specific Activities as per Section 6 (a) of	the CAF Ac	t, 2016			
A.	Maintenance of CA plantation of previous years	4588.12Ha.	20.67			
B.	Compensatory Afforestation (New Work)					
	Soil and Moisture Conservation Work	As per APO	15.20			
	Supervisory charges	As per APO	8.90			
	Other charges	As per APO	2.98			
	Sub-total (Site Specific activities)		47.75			
2.	Activities as per Rule 5 (2) of the CAF Rules, 2018					
A.	Maintenance of Plantation	9356.55 Ha	19.04			
В.	New works		•			

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	Tree Guards and fencing	As per APO	8.00	٠ .
	Soil and Moisture Conservation			
	Construction of CC Studs	As per APO		
	Retaining Walls	As per APO		
	Bio-engineering Works	As per APO		
	Crate Wire structure	As per APO	40.00	
	Dry Stone & Check Dam	As per APO		
	Water Ponds	As per APO		
C.	Improvement of wildlife habitat as provide	_	ved wildlife	
	management or working plan.			
	Conservation and Management of Protected Areas			
	Divisional Wildlife Officer, Panchkula			
	Construction of crate wire structure	12	0.16	
D.	Habitat improvement for turtles such as creation of sand mounds, aquatic management such as to remove harmful extra weeds, such as water hyacinth and adding of useful extra aquatic vegetation.	As per APO	0.20	
	Divisional Wildlife Officer, Rohtak			
	Construction of earthen bund to check entry of water Hyacinth in pondage area	3.500Km	2.00	
	Construction of Mounds in Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary.		0.25	
	Divisional Wildlife Officer, Gurugram	<u> </u>		
	(a) Nahar Wildlife Sanctuary, Rewari	···		
	Construction of Water Pond-@ 2.50 Lakh each.	3 No.	0.075	
	Preparation of Sandy Mounds-	6 No.	0.045	
	Removal of mesquite	0110.	0.06	
	Development of Grass Land.		0.05	
	Weed removal (Congress Grass) from			
	protection center	04Ha.	0.05	
	Plantation of Fruit Plant Species		0.15	
	(b) Sohna, Aravali Areas			
	Development of fodder plots in Aravalli area in Bhandwari jungle, Behrampur, Damdama Jungle, Chahlkan Sohna Jungle, Jhir Jungle & Dispersal of seeds.		0.20	
	Construction of water pond(kacha/Pakka) in Sohna Jungle, Taure, Nuh, Mandawar Jungle & jhir jungle 6 No. @ 2.50 Lakh each	6 No's	0.15	. "
	Peacock & Chinkara Breeding Center,	Jhabua, Rewa	ıri	
	Removal of Mesquite & other weeds	16Ha	0.07	
	Construction of water pond at Pali, Anangpur, Manger jungle @ 2.50 Lakh each.	3No.	0.075	
	Sub-total of Rule 5 (2):		70.57	
	Grand total		118.32	

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3. A total cost of Rs. **43.21** (Rupees forty-three crores and twenty-one lakhs only) out of remaining activities of worth Rs.**45.21** Crores recommended by the State Steering Committee is being approved for carrying out approved activities during the current financial year from the "State Compensatory Afforestation Fund – Haryana" created under Section 4 of CAF Act, 2016. The APO was discussed for remaining activities in the 14th meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority held on 22nd, 23rd and 30th July, 2021.

The details of approval of remaining activities are as under:

SI No	Works Name	Physical Target (Area in Ha/Km)	Financial Target (Rs.in crore)	Remarks		
	Activities as per Rule 5 (2) of CAF R	Rules,2018				
	Conservation and management of Protected Areas.	As per APO	3.85	Vehicle Hiring Allowed		
<u> </u>	Activities as per Rule 5 (3) of CAF Rules, 2018					
[C 4	Proposal of Development wing	As per APO	11.25	Vehicle Hiring Allowed		
uurast	ructure for forest protection					
	Range Residence, Range Office Forester Quarter/Block Office, Forest Guard Hut, Class IV Quarter/ Seed Store	66,Nos	12.56	Vehicle Hiring Allowed		
ļ	Survey and Demarcation using DGPS and Creation of GIS Facility at circle Level.	16 No.	2.35	mowed		
	Conservation, Restoration and Protection of Kilazafargarg Pf/ Quila	As per APO	2.00*	Deferred: To re-submit proposal w.r.t.		
	Proposed work under 60% of Interest	as nor CAF D.		Afforestation		
F	Tovision to offset the incremental cost	as per CAF KI	<u>ucs 2018-</u>			
a	of Compensatory Afforestation at the increased wage rate.	As per APO	13.20			
	Total of Interest		13.20			
		Deferred	2.00			
		Grand Total	43.21			

- 4. The approval is subject to the following conditions:
 - i. It is noted that the State CAMPA must provide details of activities amounting to 2.00 crores which have been deferred

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- ii. Utilization of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) shall be done in such a manner that at least 80 per cent is used for afforestation forest development and wildlife habitat improvement and maximum 20 per cent be used for infrastructure/capacity building related items. Please refer to Hon'ble Minister, Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India & Chairman of the National Authority letter no NA-1/47/2020-NA dated 22.10.2020 addressed to Hon'ble CM of State Governments/Lt. Governors of UT Administration in this regard.
- iii. KML files of afforestation and other major works and their periodic photos (before start of the work and after the completion of the work on an annual basis) shall be uploaded on E-Green Watch portal.
- iv. Monitoring and evaluation of the works undertaken shall be the highest priority for the State Authority, and the EC and the Steering Committee of the State Authority shall take adequate measures in this regard.
- v. For third party monitoring state should engage agency who are independently working and it should not be local NGOs/ organisations which is attached/ working with the Forest Departments.
- vi. The monitoring and evaluation report of the works done upto the year 2020-21 shall be ready by September, 2021, and similarly report on activities taken up in 2021-22 must be made available by September 2022.
- vii. It is to be noted that from now on, a third party (independent) Monitoring Report of major works undertaken in the previous year shall be submitted along with other necessary documents for consideration of APO by the EC of NA.
- viii. A statement that the Annual Report and the Audit Report together with a memorandum of action taken on recommendations contained therein has been laid in each house of the State legislature as per requirements of section 29 of the CAF Act 2016, shall be invariably submitted with the proposal for approval of the APO by the EC of NA.
- ix. Prior to implementation of approved APOs the EC of the State Authority shall ensure that a certificate is available with them to the effect that the proposed activities are being taken up after due consultation with Gram Sabha and are as per provisions of FRA 2006; activities proposed in forest areas are in consonance with approved working plan; and activities proposed in protected areas (PAs) are in consonance with approved management plan.
- x. The State EC will also ensure that there is no overlapping of activities / funding with other schemes and may provide a certificate to that effect.
- xi. Local species, especially fruit and fodder species, has to be given preference in afforestation/ regeneration to be carried out; monoculture should not be undertaken, and planting of exotic species shall be avoided.
- compensating the loss of ecological services due to forest diversion for non-forestry purposes is the main objective of Compensatory Afforestation Fund. Regeneration and development of forests should, therefore, be given priority. Also, priority should be accorded to labour intensive activities for regeneration and development of forests.

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- xiii. State Forest Fire Action Plan proposed in the APO shall be a "standalone" activity.
- xiv. The approved activities shall be carried out as per Rule 4 of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Rules, 2018 i.e. as per the provisions of the State Financial Rules or any such rules applicable from time to time in the State.
- xv. The Executive Committee of the State shall also ensure that proposed activities have adequate forward and backward linkages and are being taken up as per prevailing approved minimum wage rate, schedule of rates, model estimates etc. In future, the APOs that are sent to the National Authority for approval must be accompanied with rationale of activities proposed, information on approved minimum wage rate, schedule of rates, model estimates etc.
- xvi. There should not be any reduction in allocation for forestry sector in the regular State Budget due to flow of CAMPA funds to the states. In addition, the State Government shall also make timely and adequate budget provision as per approved APO and release money so that approved activities could be implemented in time.
- wii. Works related to Eco-tourism and Eco-development are permissible only as per approved site-specific schemes.
- xviii. Soil and moisture conservation work shall be carried out in an integrated manner under watershed approach from "ridge to valley" only in degraded forests. This shall focus on assisted natural regeneration and supplemented by artificial seeding with quantifiable monitoring parameters. Construction of dams, stop dams and ponds and their deepening are to be taken up only if they are a part of an integrated soil and moisture conservation plan of the catchment area. Since this component (SWC for regeneration of forests) is a very large work, the efficacy of the design and the activities shall be concurrently monitored by a reputed independent agency. Actions will be, accordingly, taken during the lifetime of each project. The overall impact on improved forest regeneration shall be shared with NAEB (MoEF&CC) on an annual basis.
- xix. The proposed activities in the APO need to be rearranged at some places as per subrules of rule 5 and 6 of CAF Rules, 2018, wherever found inappropriate. The State Authority shall make necessary changes in the APO accordingly with the permission of the State Executive Authority.
- xx. Purchase of vehicles shall be avoided. Instead, hiring of vehicles shall be the first option. Repair/ maintenance of vehicles shall be limited to the vehicles purchased from the CAMPA funds previously.
- xxi. 'Measurable output' of all physical activities and targets of each permissible activity along with period required for achieving the measurable output shall be monitored by the State Executive Committee and State Steering Committee.
- xxii. The validity of APO (2021-22) shall expire on 31.03.2022. Further continuation of the incomplete activities shall be permissible only if they are included in the APO (2022-23) and are approved.
- The final approval of APO (2021-22) shall be considered only after the State Government submits a compliance report as per (a) the guidelines regarding utilization of unspent balance of the Ad-hoc CAMPA issued vide letter no. NA-

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15/1/2020-NA dated 15.07.2020 of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and (b) para 3 of this letter.

Yours Faithfully

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- 3. Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Haryana, Panchkula, Haryana.
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- 5. Accountant General, Haryana.

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- 4. ADG FC/WL/NTCA, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi
- 5. Deputy Director General of Forests Central, Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Chandigarh
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- 7. Principal Director (Audit), Scientific Department, AGCR Building, New Delhi
- 8. IFD/Sanction Folder/ Guard File.
- 9. NIC Cell with a request to upload the sanction order on PARIVESH/e-Greenwatch of MoEF&CC.

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