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Dated the 13th May, 2022.

To,
Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Chhattisgarh,
Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhawa,
Nava Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

Sub: Annual Plan of Operation for the financial year 2022-23 of Chhattisgarh State CAMPA – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to letter F. No./ CAMPA/SO/2021/8536 dated 18.12.2021 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 Annual Plan of Operation- Chhattisgarh (2022-23) at a total cost of **₹.566.54 crore** [Rupees five hundred sixty-six crores and fifty-four lakhs only] out of proposed outlay of **₹.945.85 crore** as recommended by the State Steering Committee for carrying out approved activities during the current financial year from the “State Compensatory Afforestation Fund- Chhattisgarh” created under Section 4 of CAF Act, 2016.

2. The APO was discussed in the 16th meeting of the Executive Committee held on 10th and 15th March, 2022. The component wise approvals accorded by the 16th Executive Committees are as under:

Amount in Rs. Crores

Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
1.	Site Specific Activities				
	Mandatory Works	Compensatory Afforestation Plantations	2499.243 Ha.	46.18	
		Addl. CA Plantations	4.392 Ha.	0.32	
		Plantations below Transmission line	130.722 Ha.	4.46	
		Wildlife Management Plan	287 Works	22.78	Hiring of vehicles allowed only
		Creation of Safety Zone	71.439 Ha.	1.92	
		Soil-Water Conservation Work	62 Works	11.81	



Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
		Avi-Fauna Development	21 Works	0.69	
		Other Activity	50.055 Ha.	0.91	
		Maintenance of Committed liabilities Old CA Plantation & Wildlife Management Plan (2nd Yr. To 10th Yr.)	31792.946 Ha.	54.92	
		Subtotal		143.99	
2.	80% of NPV (As per CAF Rules 2018-Rule 5 (2))				
		Regeneration work			
	5(2) (a)	Rehabilitation of Existing degraded Bamboo Plantation & RDBF Areas	3507 Ha.	3.38	
		Artificial Regeneration (Plantation)			
	5(2) (b)	Irrigated Bamboo Plantation	510 Ha.	10.07	
	5(2) (b)	Un Irrigated Bamboo Plantation	1690 Ha.	17.26	
		Silvicultural operations			
		Forest Management & Protection Works			
	5(2) (e)	Fire Protection - during the fire Session 15 Feb. To 15 June by Fire Watcher Engaged of Local Resident	4126 Beat	14.85	
	5(2) (d)	(a) Patrolling in forest area by Territorial & Wildlife staff to prevent illicit felling, anti-poaching, encroachment, illegal mining, illegal transportation of forest produce (Mobility Expenditure) (Purchased four wheeler vehicle for CAMPA Fund)	290 Nos.	10.37	
	5(2) (d)	Development & Protection of Existing Eco-Tourism Hotspot Situated in Forest Areas (Mahasamund & Jashpur Division)	2 Division	10.00	
	5(2) (d)	(b) Forest protection in most sensitive areas with the half of joint Forest management Committee	40 Division	4.31	
		Soil Moisture conservation work for stream rejuvenation			

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Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
	5(2) (g)	Soil Moisture conservation work for stream rejuvenation (Territorial)	215 Nos.	243.65	Subject to the condition that it is tagged with river rejuvenation DPR prepared by ICFRE
		Soil Moisture conservation work for stream rejuvenation (Wildlife wing)	44 Nos.	56.87	
		Wildlife Protection & Management Works			
	5(2) (d)	State level conference on Snake rescue and release ethics and protocols along with emphasis on snake bite management	8 Works	0.22	
	5(2) (d)	Training of Frontline staff and Awareness on Wildlife rescue and their conservation in various divisions of Chhattisgarh Forest department, India	11 Works	0.50	
	5(2) (d)	Diet ecology of large carnivores in selected protected areas of Chhattisgarh, India	12 Works	0.12	
	5(2) (d)	Assessing status and distribution of Avian Fauna in Gomarda WLS, Chhattisgarh, Central India	7 Works	0.05	
	5(2)(d) 5(2)(a) 5(2)(b)	Maintenance and Committed Liabilities River bank, Fruit Bearing Plantation & Forage/Grass land 2nd to 5th Yr. Maintenance of Old Plantations, Lantana & Improvement of Growing Stock in orange areas & Soil Moisture conservation work for stream rejuvenation etc.	1714442.130 Ha.	20.00	Approved only Rs.20.00 crore of Rs. 119.01 crore subject to monitoring reports for plantation in 3 rd ,4 th & 5 th year and also areas where lantana eradication has been done.
		Subtotal Rule 5(2)		391.65	
3.	Proposed work under 20% of NPV as per CAF Rules 2018- 5 (3)				
	5(3) (c)	Information Technology (IT	6 Geomatic	0.70	

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Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
		in Forestry)	Centre, GIS Expert & General Equipment of GIS Cell		
		Construction of Forest Assets			
	5(3) (d)	Construction of inspection path (Murrum Road) Only Protected Areas	152 Km.	4.00	Approved Rs. 4.00 crore only
	5(3) (d)	Construction of Protection Hut & Other Works	170 Mtr. & 9 Nos.	1.30	
		Construction of Buildings for front line Staff			
	5(3) (e)	Development & Staff Amenities	40 Division	15.00	
	5(3) (i)	Monitoring & Evaluation and third-party monitoring of various work of State Fund	40 Division	1.00	
	5(3) (i)	Publicity-cum-awareness programme and exhibition of CAMPA Works	40 Division	1.00	Approved Rs. 1.00 crore only
	5(3) (j)	Plant Production for Govt. Land (distribution in Subsidized Rates)	500000 Nos.	1.00	
		Subtotal Rule 5(3)		24.00	
4.	Proposed Activity from 60% & 40% Interest Amount				
	CAMPA Administration Works				
	6(1) (a)	Table - 04 Proposed Activity from 60 % Interest Amount (Salary and other allowances of regular staff, Salary of contractual/Job Rate Staff, Disbursement of sitting fees and allowances to nominated members of the State authority)	As per APO	4.97	
	6(1) (b)	Table - 05 Proposed Activity from 40 % Interest Amount (Management of office establishment, Office equipments (Computer & Peripherals and its maintenance, Hiring of Staff car for the use of the offices & officials of the State authority, Audit Account,	As per APO	1.93	



Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
		Other Contingencies expenditure (Protocol, Meeting arrangements and others exp.)			
		Subtotal Rule 6(a&b)		6.90	
			Grand total	566.54	

3. For the items of APO, which have been deferred, EC directed the State Authority to submit the details to National Authority for consideration in the next EC meeting.

Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
1.	80% of NPV (As per CAF Rules 2018-Rule 5 (2))				
	5(2) (c)	Invasive alien species Lantana Eradication	121409.230 Ha.	108.41	Deferred. Details of monitoring report of works done over last 3 years and also the funds used from other schemes
	5(2) (d)	Running Group Dialing System for Connecting of Office & field staff for protection & Development Purpose	2500 Sim Cards @ Rs.200/recharge	0.55	Not approved
	5(2)(d)	Conservation & protection of Sacred wood land inside the forest areas	145 Nos	3.72	Not approved
	Soil Moisture conservation work for stream rejuvenation				
	5(2) (g)	Soil Moisture conservation, Plantation & Catchment Area Development (Project Formulation by G.O.I., MoEF & CC by LiDAR Technic)	607 Nos. & 663.90 Ha.	16.54	Deferred till submission of details of Scheduled rates
	5(2) (i)	Grass land/Pasture development (with Seed Sowing)	4439 Ha.	11.24	Not approved
	5(2) (i)	Grass land/Pasture development (Without Seed Sowing)	450 Ha.	0.56	
	5(2) (i)	Fruit Bearing Plantation	582 Ha.	9.14	
	5(2) (i)	Wildlife habitat	1 Nos.	0.15	

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Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
		improvement (Lift irrigation of water from mined areas)			
	5(2) (d)	Assessing geospatial distribution and conservation threats of King Cobra (Ophiophagus Hannah) and other reptile species in Chhattisgarh, Central India	6 Works	0.30	Deferred. Access the data bank of WII and reply
	5(2) (d)	Consultancy Services with Global Tiger for increasing of Tiger in Chhattisgarh State	1 Work	0.28	Deferred. Vetting from NTCA, MoEFCC
	5(2) (d)	Wildlife Health Care, Diagnostic and Forensic Centre: Equipment in Surgical Complex, Equipment in Diagnostic and Forensic Complex	1 Work	5.50	Deferred. Details of action plan should be furnished
	5(2) (i)	Wild Life Corridor Planting and rejuvenation of forest cover on Wildlife Corridor (Khairagarh & Rajnandgaon Forest Division) (Kanha-Achanakmar Corridor)	24950 Ha.	18.00	Deferred. To be presented by PCCF Wildlife State as action plan for approval.
	5(2) (k)	Animal rescue centre (sanctioned by Zoo Authority of India)	7 works	3.49	
	5(2)(m)	Management of biological diversity and biological resource	4 Works	5.75	Not approved Explore from ABS (Biodiversity Board)
		Subtotal Rule 5(2)		183.63	
3.	Proposed work under 20% of NPV as per CAF Rules 2018- 5 (3)				
	5(3) (d)	Up gradation of Forest Road in Forest areas (only WBM Road)	410.20 Km	61.94	Not approved
	5(3) (d)	Construction of Causeway/Culvert on forest road mentioned in the working plan (Territorial)	168 Nos.	16.81	
	5(3) (d)	Construction of Causeway/Culvert on forest road mentioned in the working plan (Wildlife Wing)	74 Nos.	6.40	



Sl. No.	CAF Rules	Works Name	Physical Target (Ha./Nos./K.m)	Financial Target	Remark
	5(3) (d)	Construction of High-tech Barrier	29 Nos.	4.64	Not approved
		Subtotal Rule 5(3)		89.79	
		Grand total		273.42	

4. **The approval is subject to the following conditions:**

- i. 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.
- ii. Utilization of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) shall be done in such a manner that at least 80% is used for afforestation, forest development and wildlife habitat improvement and up to a maximum 20% amount is to be used for infrastructure/capacity building related items.
- iii. All the records of CAMPA activities including amount sanctioned and expenditure incurred should be maintained by State CAMPA since its inception. The records should be properly maintained with Range, Division office and CEO State CAMPA in prescribed formats and placed on their websites.
- iv. The construction and maintenance of Rescue Centre should only be taken up after vetting of Central Zoo Authority (CZA) and when funds are not available from other sources.
- v. A website of the State CAMPA should be properly developed, if not done earlier. It should have all relevant data, information, plantation maps, KML files of other assets and photographs of various activities carried out under CAMPA. In respect of CA, plantations/ regeneration activities before and after photographs should be uploaded.
- vi. If required and approved by National Authority, casual engagement of local people or local labours may be hired to assist regular staff of State Forest Department for works for protection of forest and wildlife to be undertaken from State fund as per rule 5(3)(f).
- vii. Monitoring and evaluation of the works undertaken shall be the highest priority for the State Authorities. Executive Committee and Steering Committee of all the State/UT Authorities should ensure adequate measures for regular internal and third party monitoring and evaluation of CAMPA activities.
- viii. For third party monitoring, State should engage agencies, who are professionally/ technically competent and independently working. It should not be local NGOs/ organisations already working with the Forest Department or State Government.
- ix. The monitoring and evaluation report of the works done up to the year 2021-22 should be ready by September, 2022 and made available to National Authority. Similarly report on CAMPA activities taken up in 2022-23 must be made available in time by September 2023.
- x. A statement that the Annual Report, Annual accounts 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.
- xi. 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 Wildlife Management Plan. Whereas, activities proposed in forest fire prevention and control operations should be as per Integrated Fire Management Plan.
- xii. Soil and Moisture Conservation works should be carried out in an integrated manner from ridge to valley approach in degraded forests. This shall focus on rejuvenation of rivers and achievements should be placed as per the DPRs for 13 major rivers released by MoEF&CC recently. APOs in future should indicate the reference of DPRs being implemented. The data of afforestation, aided forest regeneration and efforts for increasing tree cover outside should be shared with FSI for continuous assessment of green cover and evaluation.
 - xiii. The State /UTs Authorities should make a detail record and status of all the lands under protected areas/ forests below transmission lines and submit the status of their management to MoEF&CC.
 - xiv. The State EC shall also ensure that there is no overlapping of activities / funding with other schemes and may provide a certificate to that effect.
 - xv. Local and indigenous species, especially fruit and fodder species should be given preference in afforestation/ regeneration to be carried out; monoculture and planting of exotic species should be avoided.
 - xvi. 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 in degraded forests as well as non-forest lands. Also, priority should be accorded to labour intensive activities for regeneration and development of forests.
 - xvii. 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. 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.
 - xviii. 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. The tabular information on total proposed outlay of APO submitted by State/UT CAMPA, the funds approved by National Authority, the funds released by state Government and funds utilised during last year.
 - xix. Works related to Eco-tourism and Eco-development should be taken up following relevant rules and guidelines after taking necessary approvals.
 - xx. Purchase of vehicles is not permitted. Vehicles are to be hired as per approved APO. The repair/ maintenance of vehicles shall be limited to the vehicles purchased from the CAMPA funds previously.
 - xxi. State Forest Departments to complete the demarcation and digitization of forest boundaries for protection of forests and plantation activities within six months.
 - xxii. IRO should also monitor and evaluate CAMPA activities. Sufficient budgetary provisions should be kept for monitoring by IRO, in the State APOs under monitoring head. IRO should submit the Monitoring and Evaluation reports within three to four months to National Authority.
 - xxiii. The validity of APO (2022-23) shall expire on 31.03.2023. Further continuation of the incomplete activities shall be permissible only if they are included in the APO (2023-24) and are approved.
 - xxiv. The final approval of APO (2022-23) shall be considered only after the State Government/UT Administration submits a compliance report as per the guidelines

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regarding utilization of unspent balance of the Ad-hoc CAMPA issued vide letter No.NA-15/1/2020-NA dated 15.07.2020 of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Yours faithfully,

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