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National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority

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दिनांक \Dated the 19th May 2025

To,

The Principal Secretary
Forest Environment and Wildlife Management Department,
UT Administration of Jammu and Kashmir

**Sub: Approval letter for the financial year 2025-26 of Jammu and Kashmir UT
CAMPA- reg.**

Ref: 1. Jammu Kashmir UT CAMPA vide letter no.
PCCF/CEO/CAMPA/APO-2025-26/246-49 dated 16th April 2025

Sir,

Apropos the matter cited above and in reference to above-mentioned letter dated 16th April 2025, it is to convey that the Annual Plan of Operation of UT of Jammu and Kashmir for the financial year 2025-26 was considered by the Executive committee of the National Authority in its 34th meeting held on 23rd April, 2025.

2. After the due deliberations, the approval of the Executive Committee of National Authority is hereby conveyed under section 15 (1) (i) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 for the UT Annual Plan of Operation 2025-26 for an amount of **Rs. 90.52** (Rupees ninety crore and fifty two lakh only) against the proposed outlay of **Rs. 156.49 crore** (Rupees one hundred fifty six crore and forty nine lakh only) for carrying out approved activities.

3. The details of component wise activities considered in 34th EC are as follows:
(Rs. in crore)

S. No	CAF Act/ Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay (Rs. In Crore)		Decision of EC
			Phy. Target	Fin. Target	
1.	Site-specific activities as per Section 6 (a) of the CAF Act, 2016				
		i. Compensatory Afforestation	275.36		
		ii. Fencing (in lakh rft)	10.92	6.32	Approved
		iii. Fencing repair (in lakh rft)	1.15	0.31	Approved
		iv. Nursery raising (in lakh nos)	4.00	0.40	Approved
		v. Nursery maintenance (in lakh nos)	3.87	0.10	Approved
		vi. New plantation (in lakh nos)	18.30	1.56	Approved
		vii. Maintenance of existing /Older plantation			

		(BUC) (in lakh nos)	2.76	0.80	Approved
		viii. Low-cost greening	-	0.18	Approved
		ix. Silvicultural operation	-	0.12	Approved
		x. Soil & moisture conservation works	-	2.09	Approved
		xi. Forest fire prevention and control operations	-	0.40	Approved
		xii. Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)	-	0.12	Approved
		xiii. Residential and office buildings for frontline staff	-	0.45	Approved
		xiv. Forest roads, paths, watch towers, check posts and timber depots	-	0.45	Approved
		xv. Training & Capacity Building/ Training workshop/Publicity and awareness/ Documentation and Publication/documentaries and multimedia	-	0.14	Approved
		xvi. Administrative Expenses		0.01	Approved
		Addl. Compensatory Afforestation			
		i. Advance soil work			
		ii. Fencing (in lakh rft)	0.69	0.90	Approved
		iii. Fencing repair (in lakh rft)	0.02	0.00	Deferred for want of details
		iv. New plantation (in lakh nos)	1.90	0.47	Approved
		v. Maintenance of existing /Older plantation (BUC) (in lakh nos)	1.02	0.29	Approved
		vi. Nursery raising (in lakh nos)	1.80	0.66	Approved
		vii. Nursery maintenance (in lakh nos)	19.32	0.51	Approved
		viii. Low-cost greening	-	0.09	Approved
		ix. Silvicultural operation	-	0.02	Approved
		x. Soil & moisture conservation works	-	0.67	Approved
		xi. Publicity and awareness	-	0.02	Approved
		xii. Protection of Plantations and forests (in nos)	4	0.00	Deferred for want of details
		Integrated wildlife Management Plan			
		i. Fencing-Custom Fencing (in lakh rft)	0.12	0.14	Approved
		ii. Planting-Custom (in lakh nos)	0.41	0.12	Approved
		iii. Grass slips in patches-Glass slip patch	5.72	0.40	Approved
		iv. SMC Works-Crate Work (in nos)	2129	0.93	Approved
		v. SMC Works-Ponds (in nos)	2	0.02	Approved
		vi. Water Channel/trench-Drainage or supply of water	10	0.40	Approved

		Total Soil and moisture conservation works	1440	0.04	Approved
		vii. Fire Watchers Engagement or wages (person days)			
		Total Forest fire prevention and control operations			
		viii. Animal Rescue Centres-New Construction	1	0.95	Approved
		ix. Veterinary facilities-Vet Facility	1	0.99	Approved
		x. Management of human-animal conflict-Procurement of equipment	9	0.45	Approved
		xi. Management of human-animal conflict-Procurement of consumables	20	0.20	Approved
		xii. Management of human-animal conflict-Miscellaneous	32	0.57	Approved
		xiii. Management of human-animal conflict-Control Room operations	20	0.22	Approved
		xiv. Eco Development Activities	-	0.69	Approved
		xv. Inspection paths-Inspection path 1.0 m (in kms)	40	0.15	Approved
		xvi. Building-New Building (in nos)	4	8.13	Approved
		xvii. Building-Repair and Renovation (in nos)	11	0.28	Approved
		xviii. Casual engagement for protection of forests and wildlife (person days)	13670	0.48	Approved
		xix. Survey and mapping	1	0.77	Approved
		xx. Publicity and Awareness-Publicity/Awareness	10	0.30	Approved
		xxi. Training & Capacity Building-Capacity Building	4	0.20	Approved
		xxii. Documentation and Publication-Documentation and Publication	15	0.15	Approved
		xxiii. Awareness and education-Events, documentaries and multimedia	1	0.30	Approved
		xxiv. Purchase of vehicle	3	0.40	Approved
		xxv. ICT Equipment		0.31	Approved
		Catchment Area Treatment (Pakul Dul HEP Drangdhuram)	79.00	-	
		i. Fencing-AI8GIBW6 (in lakh rft)	0.20	0.55	Approved
		ii. Planting-Custom (in lakh nos)	0.09	0.05	Approved
		iii. Planting-P Bag in Pit (in lakh nos)	0.35	0.14	Approved
		iv. Planting-N Root in Pit (in lakh nos)	0.55	0.17	Approved
		v. Patch Sowing-Patch 45cmX45cmX15cm (in lakh nos)	0.60	0.04	Approved
		vi. SMC WORKS-DRSM (in Cum)	31834	3.50	Approved
		vii. SMC WORKS-Crate work (in nos)	16236	3.10	Approved

		viii. Embankment-Earthen embankment	20	0.01	Approved
		ix. Training/Workshop	1	0.02	Approved
		x. IT equipment-IT Equipment	1	0.02	Approved
		xi. ICT Equipment-GPS	20	0.05	Approved
		xii. ICT Equipment-Computer	4	0.04	Approved
		xiii. ICT Equipment-Computer peripherals and accessories	4	0.04	Approved
		xiv. ICT Equipment-Software	1	0.03	Approved
		xv. ICT Equipment-Miscellaneous	1	0.06	Approved
		xvi. Purchase of vehicle	2	0.33	Approved
		Catchment Area Treatment (Shahpurkandi Dam Project)	45.30		
		i. Fencing-AI8GIBW6 (in lakh rft)	0.15	0.17	Approved
		ii. Planting-P Bag in Pit (in lakh nos)	0.66	0.19	Approved
		iii. Patch Sowing-Patch 45cmx45cmx15 cm (in lakh nos)	1.02	0.07	Approved
		iv. Grass slips in patches-Grass slip patch (in lakh nos)	1.01	0.06	Approved
		v. Cutting/grubbing/removal of Bush/Lantana-lantana/bush removal (in ha)	52	0.12	Approved
		vi. Crate Works (in Cum)	19	0.01	Approved
		vii. Check Dam-Reinforced cement concrete (in nos)	4	0.17	Approved
		viii. Publicity cum awareness programme	36	0.15	Approved
		ix. Management of human-animal conflict-Procurement of equipment	1	0.01	Approved
		x. Management of human-animal conflict-Procurement of consumables	1	0.01	Approved
		xi. Management of human-animal conflict-Miscellaneous	1	0.01	Approved
		xii. Management of human-animal conflict-Control room operations	1	0.02	Approved
		xiii. Walking trail or path-Custom (in km)	1	0.01	Approved
		Biodiversity Conservation Plan of Pakal Dul, Kiru and Kwar	230.00		
		i. Fencing repair/renovation-Chain link Repair/ renovation (in lakh rft)	0.30	0.05	Approved
		ii. BUC Planting-BUC PB Pit/NR Pit (in lakh nos)	0.07	0.02	Approved
		iii. Dibbling-Dibbling (in lakh nos)	0.70	0.05	Approved
		iv. Patch Sowing-Patch 45cmX45cmX15cm (in lakh nos)	1.14	0.08	Approved
		v. Grass slips in patches-Grass slip patch	0.79	0.05	Approved
		vi. Nursery raising (in lakh nos)	3.31	0.52	Approved
		vii. Forest fire prevention and control operations (Mandays)	965	0.09	Approved

		VIII. Walking trail or path-Custom (in Km)	1	0.03	Approved
		IX. Residential and office buildings for frontline staff (in nos)	5	0.97	Approved
		X. Purchase of vehicle (in nos)	3	0.32	Approved
		XI. Publicity cum awareness programme, Documentation and Publication (in nos)	1	0.12	Approved
		XII. Monitoring Concurrent and Internal	1	0.10	Approved
		XIII. Eco Development Activities	22	1.82	Approved
		XIV. Casual Labour MANDAYS	322	0.01	Approved
		XV. Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)		0.08	Approved
		Sub-Total of Approved Items shown in Sr. No. 1		48.13	
2.	Activity as per Rule 5 (2) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	5 (2) a	ANR/AR	2755.24		
		i. Fencing (in lakh rft)	8.95	15.68	Approved
		ii. Fencing repair (in lakh rft)	3.18	1.20	Approved
		iii. New plantation (in lakh nos)	18.00	4.81	Approved
		iv. Maintenance/(BUC) (in lakh nos)	12.83	3.55	Approved
		Dibbling (in lakh nos)	3.03	0.22	Approved
		Patch sowing (in lakh nos)	5.97	0.44	Approved
		Grass slips (in lakh nos)	3.89	0.25	Approved
		MFP slips (in lakh nos)	0.70	0.05	Approved
		v. Nursery raising (in lakh nos)	67.79	4.96	Approved
		vi. Nursery maintenance (in lakh nos)	167.80	4.54	Approved
	5 (2) c	Silvicultural Operations			
		i. Tending operations (Weeding, cleaning, thinning, pruning & climber cutting) (in lakh nos)	0.30	0.02	Deferred
		ii. Cutting/grubbing/removal of Bush lantana (in ha)	225	0.53	Deferred
		iii. Removal of needles/leaves (in qtl.)	-	0.04	Deferred
		Forest boundary management-Joint boundary survey (in nos)	1603	0.08	Deferred
		Forest boundary management-BP Installation precast (in nos)	992	0.55	Deferred
		Forest boundary management-BP Installation insitu (in nos)	23773	14.40	Deferred
		Restoration of Forest Boundaries-boundary restoration	597	0.07	Deferred
	5 (2) f	Forest fire prevention and control operations			
		i. Fire line (creation & maintenance) (in Kms)	448.07	0.99	Approved
		ii. Fire watchers (Mandays)	72981	2.27	Approved
		iii. Purchase of fire equipment	-	0.78	Approved
		iv. Control of Forest Fires-Fire suppression and control	-	0.57	Approved

	5 (2) g	Soil and moisture conservation works			
		a. Ponds (in nos)	65	1.38	Deferred
		b. DRSM (in Cum)	15716	2.07	Deferred
		c. Crates (in Cum)	5596	2.09	Deferred
		d. Water Holes (in nos)	7	0.09	Deferred
		e. Well-Borewell	3	0.15	Deferred
		f. Water treatment-Phytoremediation	1	0.05	Deferred
		g. Trenches/water channel (in mtrs)	156	0.32	Deferred
		h. Check dams	253	1.28	Deferred
		i. Spur/Slope Stabilization	-	0.40	Deferred
		j. Biological structures (in nos)	1351	0.16	Deferred
		k. Earth Work	-	0.24	Deferred
		l. Embankment-Earthen embankment (in cum)	-	0.16	Deferred
		m. Desilting	-	0.01	Deferred
	5 (2) i	i. Improvement of wildlife habitat			
		a. Food - Release of fish, bird feed in wetlands-Feed Release	-	0.11	Deferred
		b. Cover (Protection and development of turtle breeding ground)	-	0.12	Deferred
		c. Water management Weed removal (De-weeding operation in wetlands)	-	0.49	Deferred
		d. Desilting	-	0.20	Deferred
	5 (2) k	Establishment and maintenance of animal rescue centre and veterinary treatment facilities for wild animals			
		i. Animal Rescue Centers-New Construction	28	8.87	Deferred
		ii. Repair, maintenance of animal enclosures-Animal Enclosure Maintenance	4	0.29	Deferred
		iii. Animal Rescue Centres-Operation and maintenance	6	0.52	Deferred
		iv. Veterinary facilities-Operation and maintenance	9	0.10	Deferred
		v. Management of human-animal conflict-Procurement of equipment	50	1.13	Deferred
		vi. Management of human-animal conflict-Procurement of consumables	-	0.79	Deferred
		vii. Management of human-animal conflict-Miscellaneous	-	0.29	Deferred
		viii. Wild animal rescue vehicle or ambulance-Purchase	2	0.29	Deferred
		ix. Management of human-animal conflict-Control room operations	-	1.16	Deferred
	5 (2) l	Supply of wood saving, cooking appliances and other forest produce saving devices.	6	0.02	Deferred
	5 (2) m	Management of biological diversity and			

		biological resource			
		i. Eco Development Activities		0.10	Not approved
		ii. Wildlife Census		0.44	Deferred
		iii. Survey of sample plot, Research Plots, Point Sampling, Survey & mapping		0.61	Not approved
		iv. Enumeration of trees		0.03	Deferred for want of details
		Sub-Total of Approved Items shown in Sr. No. 2		40.31	
3.		Activity as per Rule 5 (3) of CAF Rules, 2018			
	5 (3) a	Establishment, Maintenance of modern nurseries			
		i. Detailed estimate of nursery			
		Plant production-New infrastructure for plant production in nursery		0.40	Approved
		Plant production-Maintenance repairs and renovation of nursery infrastructure		0.42	Approved
		Plant production-Purchase of nursery related equipment	186	0.26	Approved
	5 (3) b	Promoting conservation, sustainable use and documentation of biological diversity			
		i. Documentation and Publication	857	0.38	Deferred
		ii. Conference/Workshop (Awareness and education-Events, documentaries and multi-media) (in nos)		0.08	Deferred
	5 (3) c	Purchase and maintenance of equipment of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)			
		i. IT equipment-IT Equipment	6	0.09	Deferred
		ii. Maintenance and repairs-Mechanical and electrical equipment	2	0.01	Deferred
		iii. Maintenance and repairs-Electronic equipment	6	0.03	Deferred
		iv. ICT Equipment-GPS	19	0.06	Deferred
		v. ICT Drone	1	0.02	Deferred
		vi. ICT Equipment-Computer	9	0.16	Deferred
		vii. ICT Equipment-Computer peripherals and accessories	24	0.10	Deferred
		viii. ICT Equipment-Software	9	0.07	Deferred
		ix. ICT Equipment-Miscellaneous	-	0.08	Deferred
	5 (3) d	Construction, up gradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest areas, watch towers, check posts and timber posts			
		i. Details of roads			
		ii. Inspection path (in Kms)	31.82	0.11	Deferred
		iii. Walking trail or path-Custom (in Kms)	2.50	0.03	Deferred
		iv. Watch towers/view point	3	0.07	Deferred
		v. Shelter Shed	5	0.10	Deferred

	5 (3) e	Construction of residential and official buildings for front line staff			
		i. Building (New)	35	3.42	Deferred
		ii. Building (Repair)	42	1.22	Deferred
	5 (3) f	Casual engagement of local people or labours to assist regular staff of UT Forest Department			
		Casual Labour MANDAYS-unskilled casual labour	349298	10.85	Deferred
		Casual Labour MANDAYS-Skilled labour	3508	0.17	Deferred
	5 (3) g	Survey and mapping for APO making/ preparation			
		Survey & mapping		0.23	Deferred
	5 (3) i	Publicity cum awareness programme			
		i. Publicity for common people (Publicity and awareness)	53	0.52	Deferred
		ii. Training for staff (Training & capacity building)	24	0.25	Deferred
		iii. Training workshop	2	0.01	Deferred
	Sub-Total of Approved Items shown in Sr. No. 3			1.08	
4.	Activities as per Rule 6 (a) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6 (a) iv	For disbursement of salary and allowances UT CAMPA Authority & staff		1.00	Approved
	6 (a) v	For disbursement of sitting fees and allowances to nominated list of members		0.05	Deferred
	6 (a) vi	Activities referred to in sub rule-(2) and (3) of Rule 5			
		Equipment and devices for communication and information technology for purchase of Hi-Tech DGPS and GPS etc.		2.55	Deferred
		Survey and mapping/research and survey for digitization of Forest boundaries and development of digitized demarcation maps of forests/ trainings etc.		1.05	Deferred
		Development of GIS-Based Change Analysis & Forest Fire Management Tools		0.62	Deferred
		Tree Cover/Grassland/Glacier Mapping for J&K Forest Division		0.18	Deferred
		Sub-Total of Approved Items shown in Sr. No. 4		1.00	
5.	Activities as per Rule 6 (b) of CAF Rules, 2018				
	6 (b) i	Management of office establishment UT CAMPA CEO with detail			
		Travelling Allowance (TA)	-	0.05	Deferred
		Office Expenses (OE)	-	0.40	Deferred
		Books Periodicals and Publications	-	0.30	Deferred
		Petrol and Lubricants (PoL) and Maintenance of vehicle	-	0.15	Deferred
		Professional and Special Service Charges	-	1.50	Deferred
		Advertisement and Publicity	-	0.20	Deferred
		Works/maintenance of CEO CAMPA Office	-	0.20	Deferred
	6 (b) ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance	-	0.20	Deferred
	6 (b) vi	Any other activity for management of forests	-	0.80	Deferred

		and wildlife with the approval of Steering Committee and included in the APO (Hiring of vehicle for forest protection)			
		Sub-Total of Approved Items shown in Sr. No. 5		0.00	
		Total Approved Financial Outlay	Rs. 90.52 crore		

4. Accordingly, the UT Administration is requested to release the CAMPA fund to the CEO, UT CAMPA/UT Forest Department at the immediate possible for carrying out approved activities in accordance with the APO 2025-26 approved by the National Authority.

5. The Governing Body and the Steering Committee of the UT CAMPA are requested to monitor the progress of implementation of approved CAMPA activities.

6. The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- i. The UT Forest Department must ensure that the Compensatory Afforestation and other site-specific activities are carried out in the approved sites as per the forest diversion approval granted by the Central Government whilst maintain the geo location co-ordinates.
- ii. All afforestation efforts under the CA, ANR, AR, Catchment Area Treatment Plans, wildlife Habitat improvement etc. should primarily aim for comprehensive ecological restoration of the area on sustainable basis. Preference of local and indigenous species, especially fruit and fodder species should be given in every afforestation/ regeneration/ plantation and monoculture and planting of exotic species should be avoided.
- iii. The KML files of CA and other plantation (AR and ANR etc.) should compulsorily be uploaded on the e-Green Watch portal and emailed to FSI, Dehradun with copy to National CAMPA official e-mail (nationalcampa-moefcc@gov.in) before taking up the work.
- iv. 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 UT Financial Rules or any such rules applicable from time to time in the UT.
- v. The ratio of expenditure on the approved activities under Rule 5(2) & 5(3) should strictly adhere as mentioned in the Rule 5 (2) & 5 (3) should not be less than 80 percent and not more than 20 percent respectively.
- vi. Please ensure that the annual interest accrued on UT CAMPA Fund is credited into the UT CAMPA fund so that the activities mentioned in the CAF Rule 6 are effectively implemented.
- vii. The activities towards maintenance of plantation/s should be implemented in such a way that the maximum survival of the saplings is finally achieved with desired growth parameters and are to be monitored.
- viii. All the records of CAMPA activities including amount sanctioned and expenditure incurred should be maintained by UT CAMPA since its inception. The records should be properly maintained at the level of Range offices, Division offices and CEO UT CAMPA in prescribed formats and placed on

the respective websites.

- ix. A website of the UT 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 for effective monitoring and transparency. In respect of CA, plantations/ regeneration activities before and after photographs should be uploaded.
- x. If required and approved by National Authority, casual engagement of local people or local labours may be hired to assist regular staff of UT Forest Department for works for protection of forest and wildlife undertaken from UT fund as per rule 5(3)(f).
- xi. Monitoring and evaluation of all the afforestation and other CAMPA activities undertaken shall be the highest priority for the UT Authorities. The Executive Committee and Steering Committee of all the UT Authorities should ensure adequate measures for regular internal and third-party monitoring and evaluation of CAMPA activities on regular basis. For third party monitoring, UT should engage agencies, who are professionally/ technically competent and independent of the UT Government.
- xii. The monitoring and evaluation reports of all CAMPA works done upto the year 2024-2025 and all previous years alongwith all the relevant records should be made available to the DG, FSI & Member Coordinator, Monitoring Group annually as well as whenever required by him with copy to National CAMPA.
- xiii. 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 UT legislature as per the cases, under section 29 of the CAF Act 2016, shall be invariably submitted with the APO every year seeking approval of the National Authority.
- xiv. Prior to implementation of approved APOs, the EC of the UT 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 as required under the provision of the CAF Rule 5 (3).
- xv. UT Administration should ensure that the activities proposed in forest areas are in consonance with approved working plan; and activities proposed in protected areas (PAs) are in consonance with approved State Wildlife Management Plan, whereas activities proposed in forest fire prevention and control operations should be as per Integrated Fire Management Plan of the state.
- xvi. 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. If not part of the above mentioned DPR, then state should take it up as per planned activity approved by State Government or in working plan.
- xvii. The State /UT Authorities should make a detail record of total forest land

transferred and compensatory afforestation carried out/ compensated the loss of green cover/ecosystem services.

- xviii. The UT EC shall also ensure that there is no overlapping of activities / funding from other schemes of the State or Central Government and provide a certificate to that effect.
- xix. 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. Priority should also be accorded for regeneration and development of forests and wildlife habitat.
- xx. The Executive Committee of the UT 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.
- xxi. There should not be any reduction in allocation for forestry sector in the regular UT Budget due to flow of CAMPA funds to the State.
- xxii. Works related to Eco-tourism and Eco-development should be taken up following relevant rules and guidelines after taking necessary approvals.
- xxiii. Purchase of vehicles for office use 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.
- xxiv. Procurement of multi-utility vehicles for meeting the operational requirements of forest front line staff of State/UT Forest departments from the NPV component of State CAMPA is permissible as per approved APO complying the guidelines issued by the National CAMPA vide NA-16/2/2023-NA dated 12th January 2024.
- xxv. IRO of the regional office of the Ministry shall monitor and evaluate CAMPA activities. The State CAMPA Authority shall keep sufficient budgetary provisions 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.
- xxvi. The States/UTs CAMPA Authority shall complete the works approved in APO within the year and avoid any spill over for the next year. It is important to complete mandatory activities first and utilize the released funds for maintenance of CAMPA activities under NPV & Interest components before starting new activities.
- xxvii. The States/UTs Authority are proposing engagement of casual labours for protection of Forests for the entire State. It is clarified that such item can be considered only for around the forest areas where the land transfer has taken place and need special protection owing to the developmental activities.
- xxviii. The validity of APO (2025-26) is valid till 31.03.2026. Further continuation of the balance/ incomplete activities shall be permissible only if they are included in the approved APO.
- xxix. The UT Authorities shall work out details of funds available with the State CAMPA head-wise under CA/ CAT Plan/ Wildlife Mitigation Plan, NPV and interest components etc. after deducting the expenditure incurred and prepare Annual Plan of operation for next year based on CAMPA funds available with the States/UTs. Priority shall be given to the mandatory activities including commitment on maintenance of previous years.

xxx. All wage payments should be made through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

7. This issues with the approval of the Chief Executive Officer, National Authority on the e-file.

Yours faithfully

(Suveena Thakur)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and (HoFF)-cum Chairperson, the Executive Committee of the UT of Jammu & Kashmir CAMPA, Department of Forest, UT of Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar.
2. The Chief Executive Officer of Jammu and Kashmir UT CAMPA, Srinagar.
3. The Principal Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar.
4. The Principal Secretary, Department of Planning, Government of Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar.
5. The Accountant General, Jammu and Kashmir, Srinagar.
6. The Deputy Director General of Forest, Regional Office Chandigarh/DIGF, Regional Office Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Jammu.
7. The Director General, Forest Survey of India, Dehradun, Member Coordinator, Monitoring Group of National Authority, CAMPA.
8. IFD/Sanction Folder/ Guard File.
9. NIC Cell with a request to upload the sanction order on the official website of MoEF&CC.

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