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3. The PCCF/Director, Environment, Ecology & Remote Sensing Department.
4. The APCCF/Chief Wildlife Warden, Wildlife Protection Department.
5. The APCCF/Director, Forest Protection Force.
6. The APCCF/Director, State Forest Research Institute.
7. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Central O/o PCCF.
8. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Working Plan, Research & Trainings.
9. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir.
10. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
11. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Settlement & Demarcation.

No.PCCF/CAMPA/2020/*F.No. 1085/1638-1697*

Dated: *20*.06.2020

Sub: Approval by National Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change for APOs of J&K CAMPA for FY 2020-21.

Sir/Madam,

The National Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India vide its communication dated 19 June 2020 (copy of the relevant part enclosed - Annexure A) has conveyed approval of its Executive Committee to the APOs of J&K CAMPA for FY 2020-21 for a total amount of Rs 184.83 crore. Thus, all activities proposed in the APOs of J&K CAMPA for 2020-21 are approved for execution by its implementing agencies, subject to the conditions listed under heading "General observations of the Executive Committee" of the said communication.

Therefore, all implementing agencies of J&K CAMPA are requested to carefully go through these conditions/observations and confirm compliance to these conditions. In particular, each implementing agency is required to furnish following certificates prior to implementation of the approved APO:

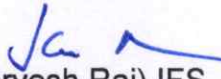
- i) That the activities that are proposed to be taken up by them, are being taken up after due consultation with Gram Sabha and are as per provisions of FRA 2006.
- ii) That the activities proposed in forest area are in consonance with approved working plan.

- iii) That the activities proposed in protected areas (PAs) are inconsonance with approved management plan (for Wildlife Protection Department).
- iv) That there is no overlapping of activities with other schemes.
- v) That geographical coordinates/KMZ files of all site specific activities proposed in the APO, alongwith photographs of the area before the execution of the work are uploaded on e-Green Watch portal of MoEF&CC.

It is requested to furnish above certificates alongwith extract of the proposed works as per Annexure-B before funds are released by CAMPA Secretariat for execution of the approved APO for 2020-21. It must also be ensured that the information sought by this office relating to closing of CAMPA accounts of 2019-20 is also furnished before release of funds for the current financial year.

Enclosed: As above.

Yours faithfully,


(Sarvesh Rai) IFS
Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests
CAMPA

Copy for information to the :

1. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology for kind information.
2. PS to Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests/HoFF, J&K for kind information of the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests.

**Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(National Authority)**

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Dated the 19th June, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

The undersigned is directed to enclose a copy of the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority held on 27-28th May, 2020 at 1600 hours through videoconferencing under the Chairmanship of Director General of Forests & Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change for information and necessary action.

Encl. As above.

**Sd/-
(Rakesh Kumar)
Technical Officer
National Authority**

Distribution :

1. Director General of Forests & Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Chairperson;
2. Additional Director General of Forests (Forest Conservation), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Member;
3. Additional Director General of Forests (Wildlife), Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Member;
4. Mission Director, National Mission for Green India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Member;
5. Financial Adviser, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Member;
6. Head of all Regional Offices of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Member;
7. Inspector General of Forests (Forest Conservation), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India – Member;
8. Chief Executive Officer of National Authority – Member Secretary;

Copy also endorsed to-

1. Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary, Department of Forest, All States/UTs
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), All States/UTs

List of participants for 6th Executive Meeting held on 27.05.2020**Executive Committee Members and officials of National Authority**

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Sanjay Kumar	DGF&SS, MoEF&CC
2.	Shri Praveen Garg	AS&FA, MoEF&CC
3.	Ms. Uma Devi	AS, MoEF&CC
4.	Shri Anjani Nandan Sharan	CEO & Member Secretary, National Authority
5.	Shri A.K. Mohanty	IGF(FC), MoEF&CC
6.	Shri Sanjay Kumar Ojha	Jt. CEO, National Authority
7.	Shri Brijendra Swaroop	Dy. CEO, National Authority
8.	Shri Jerome Minz	DS, MoEF&CC
9.	Shri Kaushlesh Pratap Singh	DDG, RO, Bengaluru
10.	Shri Subrat Mohapatra	DDG, RO, Bhubaneshwar
11.	Shri B.K. Thakur	DDG, RO, Bhopal
12.	Shri Bharat Jota	DDG, RO, Ranchi
13.	Shri C.D. Singh	DDG, RO, Chandigarh
14.	Shri R. Hemant Kumar	DDG, RO, Chennai
15.	Shri V.N. Ambade	DDG, RO, Nagpur
16.	Shri Vijay Kumar Singh	DDG, RO, Lucknow
17.	Shri Pankaj Agrawal	DDG, RO, Dehradun
18.	Shri Wyatt Irove Yatobon	DIGF, RO, Shillong

On behalf of respective State Authority / UTs

S. No.	State/UT	Name	Designation
1.	Tripura	Dr. Alind Rastogi	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri V.G. Jenner	CEO State (CAMPA)
2.	Meghalaya	Shri S.A. Nongsiej	CEO State (CAMPA)
3.	Andhra Pradesh	Shri S.S. Sridhar Rao	CEO State (CAMPA)
4.	Assam	Shri A.M. Singh	PCCF(Hoff)
		Dr. Satyendra Singh	CEO State (CAMPA)
5.	Haryana	Dr. (Mrs.) Amrinder Kaur	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri Vineet Garg	CEO State (CAMPA)
6.	Himachal Pradesh	Shri Ajay Kumar	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri K.S. Thakur	CEO State (CAMPA)
7.	Goa	Shri Subhash Chandra	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri Santosh Kumar	CEO State (CAMPA)
8.	Maharashtra	Shri Sanjeev Gaur	CEO State (CAMPA)

9.	Manipur	--	--
10	Rajasthan	Shri Ashok Ramtek	CEO State (CAMPA)
11.	Punjab	Shri Jitendra Sharma	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri Praveen Kumar	CEO State (CAMPA)
12.	Kerala	Shri Pramod Krishnan	CEO State (CAMPA)

List of participants for 6th Executive Meeting held on 28.05.2020

Executive Committee Members and officials of National Authority:

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Sanjay Kumar	DGF&SS, MoEF&CC
2.	Shri Praveen Garg	AS&FA, MoEF&CC
3.	Ms. Uma Devi	AS, MoEF&CC
4.	Shri Anjani Nandan Sharan	CEO & Member Secretary, National Authority
5.	Shri A.K. Mohanty	IGF(FC), MoEF&CC
6.	Shri Sanjay Kumar Ojha	Jt. CEO, National Authority
7.	Shri Brijendra Swaroop	Dy. CEO, National Authority
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12.	Shri Bharat Jyoti	DDG, RO, Ranchi
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16.	Shri Vijay Kumar Singh	DDG, RO, Lucknow
17.	Shri Pankaj Agrawal	DDG, RO, Dehradun
18.	Shri Wyatt Irove Yatobon	DIGF, RO, Shillong

On behalf of respective State Authority:

S. No.	State/UT	Name	Designation
1.	Odisha	Dr. Sandeep Tripathy	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri Shashi Paul	APCCF, Wildlife
		Smt. Uma Nanduri	CEO State (CAMPA)
2.	NCT of Delhi	Shri Nisheeth Saxena	Conservator of Forests
3.	Chhattisgarh	Shri Rakesh Chaturvedi	PCCF(Hoff)

		Shri Srinivas Rao	CEO State (CAMPA)
4.	Uttar Pradesh	Dr. Rajeev Kumar Garg	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri Sunil Pandey	PCCF,WL
		Shri Sunil Dubey	CEO State (CAMPA)
5.	Madhya Pradesh	Shri A.B. Gupta	PCCF(Hoff)
		Shri Rajesh Kumar	CEO State (CAMPA)
6.	A&N Island	—	--
7.	Uttarakhand	Shri Samir Sinha	CEO State (CAMPA)
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	Dr. Mohit Gera	PCCF(Hoff))
		Shri Sarvesh Gupta	CWLW
		Shri Sarvesh Rai	CEO State (CAMPA)
9.	Bihar	Shri Rakesh Kumar	CEO State (CAMPA)
10	Mizoram	Shri Lialdawla	CEO State (CAMPA)

Minutes of Meeting

6th meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority

Venue: Through video conferencing

Time: 1600 hrs. onwards

Date: 27th and 28th May 2020

List of members and other participants who attended the meeting is attached.

At the outset CEO, National Authority welcomed DGF&SS, the members of the Executive Committee and other participants who attended the meeting through Video conferencing. With the permission of the chair, the agenda items were taken up for discussion.

Agenda Item No.1

Confirmation of Minutes of 5th meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority:

The minutes of 5th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority were confirmed.

Agenda Item No.2

Confirmation of Action Taken Report of 5th meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority.

The Action Taken Report on the decisions of 5th meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Authority were perused and noted. Regarding action taken on agenda item no. 5 regarding utilization of unspent balance available with State Authorities from the funds received from Ad-hoc CAMPA earlier, it was brought to the notice of the Executive Committee that a communication had been sent to all the State Authorities seeking details of such monies and justification for extension of time period. It was also brought to the notice of the Executive Committee of the National Authority that following States have submitted details of unspent balance as on 31.03.2020 from releases made from Ad-hoc CAMPA:

Sr No.	State Authority	Unspent Balance Amount (Rs in crore)	Remarks
1	Uttar Pradesh	33.8319	
2	Madhya Pradesh	20.0319	
3	Jharkhand	163.78	

4	Arunachal Pradesh	229.37	APO for 2019-20 and 2020-21 have not been submitted.
5	Maharashtra	39.11	
6	Uttarakhand	232.0515	
7	NCT of Delhi	1.1318	

The Executive Committee noted that information from only 7 out of total 33 State Authorities have been received so far. The Committee decided that a last reminder be issued to the remaining states to send the information latest by 30.06.2020 even if their balance is NIL.

The Executive Committee of the National Authority considered the issue and observed that as per Section 4 (3)(i) of Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Act, 2016, the unspent balance of all monies transferred by Ad-hoc Authority to the State CAMPA constituted in the States should have been deposited in the respective State Fund. Since some of the States had not established the new procedure of expenditure from the State Funds, State Authorities were allowed to utilize such money with the approval of Hon'ble Minister, EF&CC till 31.03.2020. **The Executive Committee recommended that the approval of Hon'ble Minister, EF&CC may be obtained to allow the State Authorities to utilize such money till 31.03.2021, if the State Government has made the budget provision for State CAMPA for the year 2020-21 keeping in mind the aforesaid available unspent balance. The approval shall be subject to the condition that the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA shall be closed on or before 31.03.2021 and remaining unspent balance, if any, shall be deposited in the State Fund. Further, the fund received from Ad-hoc CAMPA, so spent, shall be expeditiously got audited within next six months.**

General observations of the Executive Committee

Before taking up the APOs of individual states/UTs, the Executive Committee deliberated on the common issues/concerns of most of the APOs in detail and decided that the approvals of APOs shall be subject to following conditions:

1. Prior to implementation of approved Annual Plan of Operations, the Executive Committee of the State Authority shall ensure that a certificate is available with them to the effect that the activities that are proposed to be taken up by them, 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. The State EC will also ensure that there is no overlapping of activities with other schemes.

2. 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, in the prevailing unprecedented circumstances of pandemic Covid 19, where loss of job and migration of labour is prevalent, more emphasis is to be given in APOs on creation of employment opportunities. Therefore, while implementing APOs, priority should be accorded to labour intensive activities for regeneration and development of forests.
3. Only 'Standalone' activities of State Forest Fire Action Plan should be proposed in the Annual Plan of Operation.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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 for 2020-21 and release money so that activities approved under the APO could be implemented in time.
7. Works related to Eco-tourism and Eco-development are permissible only as per approved site-specific schemes. As per Rule 5 (2) (g), only soil and moisture conservation work in forests are permissible. Soil and moisture conservation work should be carried out in an integrated manner under watershed approach from "ridge to valley". Construction of Dams, Stop Dam 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.
8. Maintenance/Improvement of buildings/infrastructure created from regular State budget (except activities permissible under 5(3)(d), CAF Rules, 2018) shall continue to be carried out from regular State budget
 9. Engagement of manpower (regular, contractual, through outsourcing or daily wage including Data Entry Operators and drivers etc), capacity building of the personnel involved in utilization of State Fund, publicity-cum-awareness programme and exhibition on various schemes being implemented by the State Authority shall be done as per provisions of CAF Rules, 2018 only.
 10. The proposed activities in the APO need to be rearranged at some places as per sub-rules 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. In addition, any increase or reduction in the proportion of Rule 5(2) and 5(3) as well as Rule 6(a) and 6(b) will also need to be adjusted in the next APO.
 11. The expenditure in respect of managing man-animal conflict such as payment of ex-Gratia, compensation for crop/property damages or damage to life on account of wild life and payment of reward to informers/helpers shall be paid from regular State budget.
 12. Maintenance of computers and other peripherals shall be limited the equipment purchased from CAMPA funds;
 13. Expenditure on items such as maintenance of vehicles and buildings purchased/constructed previously from CAMPA funds etc shall also be kept at the barest minimum, shall be for front-line staff only, and must relate directly to the attainment of objectives specified in CAF Act, 2016 and CAF Rules, 2018 i.e. primarily for regeneration of forests etc.
 14. 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.
 15. The Executive Committee of the State Authority shall ensure that there is no mixing

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of money with any other state scheme under implementation from any other budget as per Explanation 2 below Rule 5 of CAF Rules, 2018.

16.The State Authority shall ensure that adequate numbers of Geographical coordinates/ Geo-tags of all the site-specific activities proposed in the Annual Plan of Operation are available. All the physical works undertaken under this APO shall be uploaded timely on the e-Green watch portal along-with photographs of the area before and after the execution of the work.

17.'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.

Agenda No.24: Annual Plan of Operation-Jammu and Kashmir (2020-21)

The APO (2020-21) of Jammu and Kashmir State Authority with a proposed outlay of Rs 185.66 crore was received vide its letter no. PCCF/CAMPA/1085/2020/1085/732-34 dated 28th February,2020 after the approval of the State Steering Committee in its meeting held on 20th February, 2020. The APO was discussed in the 5th meeting of the EC of the National Authority held on 23rd April, 2020 and Rs 105.76 crore was approved for carrying out essential plantation and other activities and the same was communicated to the State vide letter no. NA-15/14/2020-NA dated 14th May 2020.

The APO was put up before the Executive Committee for consideration. Observations in respect of activities included in the APO were discussed with PCCH(HOFF) and Chief Wildlife Warden present in the meeting through video conferencing. Subsequently, the State Authority sent a clarification vide letter no.101/GoI/2020-21 dated 28th May,2020 through email. After detailed deliberations, the Executive Committee approved the APO with an outlay of Rs 184.83 crore. Component-wise details are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Sr No.	Major Activity	Proposed Amount	Approved Amount as per 5 th EC	Approved Amount as per 6 th EC	Total approved Amount	Remarks
	Site Specific Activity	16.77	0.00	16.77	16.77	
	Subtotal (1)	16.77	0.00	16.77	16.77	
2 Activities as per Rule 5 of the CAF Rules, 2018						
	I. Min 80% NPV	137.26	99.21	38.05	137.26	
	II. Max 20% of NPV	27.13	6.55	20.58	27.13	
	Subtotal (2)	162.38	105.76	58.63	164.39	

Activities as per Rule 6 of the CAF Rules, 2018						
	I. Minimum 60% of Interest	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	
	II. Maximum 40% of Interest	2.67	0.00	2.67	2.67	
	Subtotal (3)	3.67	0.00	3.67	3.67	
4.	Activities that are proposed under Rule 6, lack adequate details and justification.	0.83	0.00	0.00	0.00	Other activities for management of the forests and wildlife not referred to in sub rule (2) and (3) of rule 5 of CAF Rules 2018. The decision is deferred.
	Grand Total (1+2+3)	185.66	105.76	79.07	184.83	

