

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
OFFICE OF THE PR. CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & HoFF
JAMMU & KASHMIR (UT)**

AGENDA NOTE

**25th MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
COMPENSATORY AFFORESTATION FUND MANAGEMENT AND
PLANNING AUTHORITY (CAMPA).**

Agenda Item No: 25.0

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

J&K CAMPA

Transfer of forest land for non-forestry purposes is being governed under Forest (Conservation) Act (FCA) 1980 since 31 October 2019; prior to that it used to be governed under J&K Forest (Conservation) Act 1997. User agencies are required to pay cost of Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of the forest land diverted for non-forestry purposes. Besides, the value of ecosystem goods and services of forests, termed 'Net Present Value' or NPV is charged from user agencies.

In accordance with the guidelines issued by *ad hoc* CAMPA, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change on 2.7.2009, J&K CAMPA was set up vide SRO-354 dated 11.11.2009. The execution of CAMPA works in J&K started from the year 2010-11. The financial year 2020-21 will be the eleventh year of its execution.

The NPV amount received by J&K CAMPA from user agencies used to be transferred to *ad hoc* CAMPA, which in turn used to release money equivalent to 10% of the principal amount lying to the credit of J&K CAMPA with that Authority for execution of works as per Annual Plan of Operations. Based on the orders and directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court in the T. N. Godavarman Thirumulpad vs. Union of India and Others [Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202 of 1995], dated the 30th October, 2002, the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Act, 2016 was notified by MOEF&CC on 03.08.2016 and CAF Rules, 2018 were notified on 10.8.2018 and both have come into force in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir w.e.f 31 October 2019.

After coming into force of the CAF Act 2016, *ad hoc* CAMPA has been dissolved and National CAMPA has been constituted. All the funds transferred by J&K CAMPA to the *ad hoc* CAMPA (now National CAMPA) shall be returned by that Authority to the public account of the J&K CAMPA in due course.

In terms of Section-4 of the CAF Act, 2016, the Union Territory of J&K has notified establishment of State Fund (Compensatory Afforestation Fund) under its interest bearing public account vide Notification dated 29 November 2019. Now all the monies to be received from user agencies in lieu of diversion of forest land for non forestry purposed under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and monies to be received from National CAMPA, MoEF&CC, shall be deposited in the said public account.

Utilisation of monies in the State Fund

As per the CAF Act, 2016 and CAF Rules, 2018, the Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) are in following distinct parts:

- a) APO for utilization of Net Present Value (NPV) including penal NPV money.
- b) APO for utilization of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) including additional CA (e.g. road side avenue plantation) and penal CA money as per the site specific plan approved at the time of clearance of the proposal under FCA Act 1980.
- c) Wildlife Conservation Plan in accordance with the approved management plan for protected areas or site specific plan at the time of approval of the proposal under FC Act, 1980.

Procedure for utilization of Net present Value (NPV) money

- I. As per the CAF Rules, 2018, **not less than 80% of the NPV money** is used for the forest and wildlife management activities covered under Rule 5 (2). The forest and wildlife management component includes assisted natural regeneration and artificial regeneration, silvicultural operations, protection and maintenance of plantations and forests, pest and disease control in forest, forest fire prevention and control operations, soil conservation works in forests, improvement of wildlife habitat, management of rescue centre for wild

animals and management of biological diversity & biological resources.

- II. **Not more than 20% of the NPV money** is utilized for forest related infrastructure and capacity building activities listed under Rule 5 (3) of the CAF Rules, 2018. The activities include purchase and maintenance of equipment or devices used for communication and information technology; construction, up-gradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads, fire lines, watch towers, check posts and timber depots; construction of residential and official buildings in forests for frontline staff (Range Officer and below); casual engagement of local people or labours to assist the regular staff for works for protection of forests and wildlife; independent monitoring and evaluation including third party monitoring; publicity and awareness of CAMPA programmes/schemes; survey and mapping for preparation of APOs, and capacity building of frontline staff.

Procedure for utilization for Compensatory Afforestation (CA) money

In respect of monies received from user agencies for Compensatory Afforestation (CA) including additional & penal CA and Compensation of Trees, separate APOs, as per the Division-wise CA amount received is prepared. CA amount is utilized exclusively for Compensatory Afforestation programme.

Procedure for utilization for monies received from User Agencies for roadside avenue plantation

A separate APO is prepared for road side avenue plantation. Implementing agencies ensure to choose species and planting technique for plantation along road side so as to create aesthetically pleasing plantation, which do not interfere with traffic, electric lines and underground wires/pipes.

Procedure for utilization of monies received from diversion of forest lands in Protected Areas.

Wildlife Protection Department prepares APOs for wildlife conservation and related infrastructure development and capacity building in accordance with the approved wildlife management plan for Protected Areas.

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Review of implementation under CAMPA

25.1.1: CAMPA Meetings

24 meetings of Executive Committee CAMPA, 18 meetings of Steering Committee CAMPA and 2 meetings of Governing Body CAMPA have been held till date.

The 24th meeting of Executive Committee was held in two parts to consider the APOs under CAMPA of Forest and allied Departments for the year 2020-21. On 7 December 2019, the Committee scrutinised the APOs received from Implementing Agencies (IAs) of Jammu region. On 13 December 2019, the Committee scrutinised the APOs of IAs of Kashmir region. Based on the recommendations of the Committee, the IAs submitted the revised APOs, which were further scrutinised by the CAMPA Secretariat and compiled for approval of the Steering Committee of J&K CAMPA.

The 18th meeting of Steering Committee of CAMPA held on 20th February, 2020 considered and approved the Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) under CAMPA for the financial year 2020-21 of J&K Forest and allied Departments.

25.1.2: Summary of achievements under CAMPA

A total of 13902 ha of forest land has been diverted for non forestry purposes during the period from 1990 to March 2020. The forest Department is required to carry out afforestation over double the areas, i.e. 27804 ha. Against this, a total of 52026 ha area of degraded forests have been rehabilitated till 31 March 2020 with planting of 368.28 lakh plants to compensate for loss of 15.49 lakh no. of trees/poles/sapling involved in forest land diversion cases.

Total Compensatory Afforestation done in relation to forest land diverted

1.	Total Area Diverted (upto 31/03/2020)	13,902 ha
2.	Total Compensatory Afforestation Targets (Double the area diverted)	27,804 ha
3.	Total Compensatory Afforestation done during the years from 2010-11 to 2018-19	45,389.91 ha
4.	Compensatory Afforestation done during the year 2019-20	6,636.60 ha
	Total Compensatory Afforestation	52,026.51 ha
5.	No. of Trees/Poles/Saplings involved in FCA cases	15.49 Lakh
6.	No. of Trees Planted from 2010-11 to 2019-20 (till 31.03.2020)	368.28 Lakh

25.1.3: Fund Position of CAMPA

User agencies have deposited a total of Rs 1710.44 crore with the J&K CAMPA till 3rd June 2020, which includes money received from FCA cases falling Ladakh region as well.

With the reorganization of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) into the UTs of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh w.e.f. 31 October 2019, the separate J&K and Ladakh CAMPAs have been established. Therefore, the money received by the erstwhile J&K CAMPA from user agencies on account of diversion of forest lands for non-forestry purposes is to be distributed between the successor J&K and Ladakh CAMPAs. In this regard, a meeting was held in MoEF&CC, GOI with the CEO, National CAMPA on 23.01.2020. In pursuance to this, a proposal for distribution of money received from user agencies between the two UTs, in consultation with Finance Department of J&K and UT Government of Ladakh is being worked out for submission to the National Authority. An abstract of component wise money received in respect of FCA cases falling in the UT of J&K and Ladakh, from inception till 3rd June 2020, is given in the following tabular statement.

UT-Wise Total money received (Rupees in Crore) from User Agencies from inception till 03.06.2020

Component	UT of J&K	UT of Ladakh	Total
CA (CA + COT + COL)	275.55	3.30	278.85
Addl. CA (RSP + Others)	30.14	0.13	30.27
Penal CA (COD)	2.16	0.20	2.36
NPV (Forest + Wildlife)	854.95	233.14	1088.09
Protected Areas (5% Project Cost + KHANP)	261.39	49.48	310.88
Grand Total	1424.19	286.26	1710.45

CA-Compensatory Afforestation, COT-Compensation of Trees, COL-Cost of Land, COD- Cost of Damage, NPV- Net Present Value, RSP-Road Side Plantation, KHANP-Kishtwar High Altitude National Park

Out of the above 1298.3 Crore (which includes Rs. 286 crore from projects in Ladakh region) has been credited to *ad hoc* CAMPA, MOEF& CC. Out of the interest on the principal amount of the deposit, the *ad hoc* CAMPA has released, over a period time, Rs.379 Crores.

Out of the principal amount deposited by J&K CAMPA into the account of Adhoc CAMPA (Now National Authority) that authority has transferred back Rs 408.35 crore into State Fund in public account of UT of Jammu and Kashmir vide their communication dated 07.02.2020.

With notification of State Fund (Compensatory Afforestation Fund) under its public account vide Notification dated 29 November 2019, the balance CAMPA money available in the J&K bank account has been credited to the public account (Rs 757.18 crore).

Besides, a total of Rs 390.48 Crore is outstanding against various user agencies on account of diversion of forest lands for non-forestry purposes.

25.1.4: Audit of CAMPA accounts

A CAG empanelled Chartered Accountancy firm M/s GK Sureka & Co, has been hired for financial audit of CAMPA accounts of headquarter as well as accounts of all Implementing Agencies for the period 2010-11 to 2019-20 (except for the period 2014-15, which has already been audited by another CA firm) at an all inclusive annual fee of Rs 3.00 Lakh. The financial audit is currently in progress.

Besides CAMPA accounts of all IAs and CAMPA headquarter are audited regularly by the Accountant General (AG) Jammu/Srinagar. Recently the office of AG has decided, vide communication dated 01/06/2020, to carry out Performance Audit of "Management of Forests" through CAMPA for the period 2015-16 to 2019-20 for inclusion in the report of Comptroller & Auditor General of India ending March 2020.

25.1.5: Development of Financial & Accounting Management System

The CAMPA Secretariat shall arrange development of financial & accounting management system, through outsourcing, for efficient management of CAMPA money, in the current financial year.

25.1.6: Third party audit of CAMPA Works

CAMPA has engaged NH Consultancy Pvt. Ltd. for evaluation of field works executed under CAMPA in Jammu region. The agency has submitted its inception report. The field work of agency is currently disrupted due to ongoing restrictions on movement related to COVID-19 pandemic.

For evaluation of CAMPA works in Kashmir region, bids were invited vide e-tender on 31.01.2020 and the process of selection of an agency for evaluation is likely to be finalized soon.

25.1.7: Internal monitoring

As per the CAMPA guidelines issued in pursuance of SRO 354 dated 11.11.2019 and further, vide CAMPA Secretariat Order No.639/FORESTS dated 13.11.2019, the following minimum targets have been fixed for internal verification and inspection of works at field level by the field functionaries.

1	Forester	100%
2	Range Officer	At least 80%
3	Divisional Forest Officer	At least 50%
4	Conservator of Forests	At least 20%
5	Chief Conservator of Forests	At least 10%
6	CAMPA Wing	At random

Incharge Implementing agencies (DFOs) report on monthly basis the progress of execution of works which are placed on the department's website. The Inspecting Officers submit their tour notes to the respective controlling officers.

Besides, PCCF (HoFF) vide Order No.13 FOREST (Plg) of 2019 dated 10.10.2019 has constituted State Level and Regional Level Committees for monitoring of works undertaken under different schemes including CAMPA.

25.1.8: IT based solution for concurrent reporting and monitoring of CAMPA works:

Section 19 (ii) of the CAF Act 2016 provides that the Executive Committee shall undertake qualitative and quantitative supervision, monitoring and evaluation of the works being implemented from amounts available in the State Fund.

In this regard, the CAMPA Sectt. Shall develop IT based solution, through outsourcing, for concurrent reporting and monitoring of CAMPA works

25.1.9: Details of works executed under CAMPA in public domain in order to promote transparency:

The works executed under CAMPA have been placed on the website of the Forest Department. Besides, coordinates / polygons of works executed under CAMPA have been placed on the e-green watch portal of MoEF&CC, a link of which has also been given on the website of the J&K Forest Department.

25.1.10: Expenditure incurred under CAMPA

A total expenditure of Rs.649.95 crore has been incurred in last 10 years (from 2010-11 to end of March 2020), which includes Rs 519.73 crore by the Forest and allied Departments and Rs 130.22 crore by Wildlife Protection Department. For the year 2019-20, Rs 82.39 crore was the approved outlay for Forest and allied Departments and Rs 44.35 crore was for Wildlife Protection Department and total expenditure ending March 2020 was Rs 113.51 crore.

Year-wise expenditure incurred under CAMPA by J&K Forest, Allied Departments and Wildlife Protection Department

(Rs. In lakh)

S.No.	Year	Expenditure		Total
		Forest & Allied Department	Wildlife Protection Department	
1	2010-11	1875.00	13.97	1888.97
2	2011-12	3692.00	85.97	3777.97
3	2012-13	3803.00	377.15	4180.15
4	2013-14	5901.00	618.88	6519.88
5	2014-15	5204.00	1319.35	6523.35
6	2015-16	4578.00	417.34	4995.34
7	2016-17	5208.00	971.63	6179.63
8	2017-18	8734.00	3090.86	11824.86
9	2018-19	5558.41	2195.73	7754.14
10	2019-20	7420.27	3931.07	11351.35
	Total	51973.68	13021.95	64995.64

25.1.11: Annual Report:

In accordance with rule 38 of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rules 2018, J&K CAMPA is required to prepare the annual report giving brief description of all activities and summary of works undertaken in accordance with approved Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) from the State Fund. Accordingly, CAMPA Secretariat shall prepare Annual report for the last financial year through outsourcing within six months time.

Agenda Item No: 25.2

Review of financial/physical achievements under CAMPA for the year 2019-20 (upto 31 March 2020)

25.2.1: The Department/Implementing Agency-wise approved outlay for the financial year 2019-20 and the expenditure incurred till the end of March 2020 is given as under:

(Rs. in lakh)								
S.No	Name of HOD	Approved Outlay	Funds released	Unreleased / remitted/ revalidated released	Grand Total	Expenditure	Liability	Exp. including liabilities as % of release
1	J&K Forest Department (Territorial)	7004.382	6685.386	735.766	7421.152	6315.723	706.590	94.626
2	Social Forestry Department	710.100	710.100	109.450	819.550	752.872	0.000	91.864
3	State Forest Research Institute	150.000	150.000	0.000	150.000	129.473	3.440	88.609
4	Soil & Water Conservation Department	200.000	200.000	16.426	216.426	129.746	76.650	95.366
5	Forest Protection Force	75.000	75.000	2.022	77.022	55.945	19.477	97.923
6	Ecology Environment & Remote Sensing	100.000	65.000	0.000	65.000	36.515	3.583	61.689
7	Total Forest & Allied Department (1+6)	8239.482	7885.486	863.664	8749.150	7420.274	809.740	93.786
8	Wildlife Protection Department	4435.000	4435.000	1525.000	5960.000	3931.077	443.940	73.406
	Grand Total (7+8)	12674.48	12320.49	2388.664	14709.150	11351.351	1253.680	85.695

The progress of expenditure by the Implementing Agencies have been reviewed from time to time by the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K. Some of the approved activities could not be completed and the expenditure could not been booked by 31 March 2020 due to sudden lockdown related to COVID-19 pandemic.

It may be seen that expenditure, including liabilities of the work done, in respect of Forest and allied Departments is about 94% of the released amount. In case of Wildlife Protection Department the expenditure in 2019-20 is a record high compared to earlier years. Yet due to revalidation of unspent amount of Rs 15.25 crore of 2018-19, the overall expenditure (including liabilities) of the department in 2019-20 was a modest 73% of the released amount.

The IA wise details of amount released, expenditure incurred, liabilities of the work done and unspent amount credited back into CAMPA account is given at annexure-1.

25.2.2: Review of liabilities of works executed/procurements made and e-tendered works in respect of which expenditure could not be booked by 31 March 2020.

Execution of the approved works under the APO of 2019-20 was progressing smoothly and was likely to be completed by 31 March 2020. However, due to sudden lockdown related to COVID-19 pandemic enforced from 3rd week of March 2020, there are several works which had been executed or procurements had been made as per the approved APO but in respect of which expenditure could not be booked by 31 March 2020. Also, a number of tendered works (mostly fencing) were under execution in the month of March and expenditure in respect of some of those works could not be booked due to sudden lockdown. Details of liabilities, division wise in respect of Forest Department and organisation-wise in respect of allied departments are placed at annexure-2.

Since there is no outlay for such works in the budget of 2020-21 which was prepared much earlier in Dec, 2019, these have become liabilities of the last financial year to be cleared in the current financial year.

It is therefore proposed to clear these liabilities from the current financial year's approved outlay of each IA and physical/financial targets approved for the current FY shall be adjusted accordingly. Later, at the time of revision of the budget of J&K Government, additional allocation for liabilities shall be sought.

25.2.3: Review of physical achievements under CAMPA:

CAMPA is playing a key role in rehabilitation of degraded forests of J&K. The year wise physical achievements during the period of implementation of J&K CAMPA from 2010-11 to 2019-20 are as shown in the following tabular statement.

S. No.	Component	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	Target 2019-20	Achievement 2019-20	Grand Total 2010-11 to 2019-20
1	Area Treated (In Hectares)	2885	5196	5153	7612	5396.53	5157.82	4636.92	5076.27	4276.37	6046.28	6636.6	52026.51
2	Fencing (In lakh rft)	9.1	15.29	15.43	24.915	16.1262	18.011	15.25	18.86214	17.15	20.888	23.144	173.278
3	Nursery (No. in lakh)	45.44	55.36	41.06	61.798	86.92	60.1996	85.66	50.83731	30.87	46.243	55.36	573.505
4	Planting (in lakh)	18.3	37.31	47.8	54.523	35.5124	44.572	30.394	31.9356	30.88	40.106	37.062	368.289
5	Soil Conservation Works (DRSM works) (In Cubic Meters)	21996	27315	28206	35290.64	27726	17587	18680	6659	2102	10092	13679	199241
	Crates (In Nos)	-	-	-	991	279	704	436	459	149	800	1204	4222
	WHS/Ponds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	21	21
6	Demarcation work (No. of Boundary Pillars installed)	...	890	1978	4075	5007	3573	3129	12064	3542	5275	2879	37137

In addition, infrastructure for frontline staff which includes 28 Range Offices, 31 Block Offices, 17 Check Posts, 16 Guard Huts, 10 Chowkidar Huts and 14 Inspection Huts have been constructed from CAMPA fund during 2010-11 to 2019-20.

The IAs wise physical achievement during 2019-20 is at annexure-3.

Physical achievement 2019-20 in respect of fencing is more than the target as forest areas vulnerable to encroachment or retrieved from encroachment, at several places, were fenced, utilising money under exigency component, to prevent encroachment/re-encroachment. As regards planting, only 93% of the targets could be achieved due to, as mentioned earlier disruption caused by lock down related to COVID-19 pandemic in winter planting (in mainly Kashmir region). In respect of Soil & Water Conservation works, additional works were taken up under Catchment Area Treatment. In respect of demarcation works, achievement was less compared to target due to poor response to e-tendering.

25.2.4: Catchment Area Treatment under Project “River Rejuvenation of J&K”

Catchment Area Treatment Plan (Afforestation component of the Action Plan) prepared by the River Rejuvenation Committee in compliance to directions of NGT was placed before the Steering Committee of J&K CAMPA in its 17th meeting held on 8 June 2019 for funding. The Steering Committee approved an outlay of Rs. 550.00 Lakh for Catchment Area Treatment Plan for polluted stretches of main rivers of J&K namely Tawi, Chenab, Devika, Basanter, Banganga, Sindh and Jehlum for execution of works by the J&K Forest Department during the financial years 2019-20 and 2020-21.

A total of Rs 413.814 lakh against the approved outlay of Rs 429.104 lakh for the year 2019-20 has been released from J&K CAMPA funds. The name of the Forest Division, Catchment Area to be treated, approved outlay and release for the year 2019-20 and physical achievements against targets are given as under:-

S.No	Name of Forest Division	Name of River	Catchment Area to be treated (in ha)	Approved outlay for each River for the year 2019-20 (Rs. In Lakh)	Amount released against approved outlay for the year 2019-20 (Rs. In Lakh)	Achievement	
						Area treated (In Ha.)	Financial (Rs. In lakh)
01	Jammu	1.Tawi	200	96.125	96.125	200	87.506
		2.Chenab	200	95.589	95.589	200	79.290
02	Udhampur	3.Devika	100	47.12	47.12	0	27.381
03	Samba	4.Basanter	100	45.19	29.90	0	23.724
04	Reasi	5.Banganga	100	41.18	41.18	100	41.04
Total Jammu			700	325.204	309.914	500	258.941
05	Sindh	6. Sindh	34	25.00	25.00	0	19.98
06	Anantnag	7. Jhelum	30	27.82	27.82	15	16.31
	J.V.		15	26.65	26.65	0	9.87
	Lidder		34	24.43	24.43	18	20.18
Total Kashmir			113	103.90	103.90	33	66.34
Grand Total			813	429.104	413.814	533	325.281

25.2.5: Additional raising of seedlings in FY 2019-20 from overall savings

The plantation targets for FY 2020-21 have been significantly enhanced, almost double compared to the target of the last Financial Year in respect of most of the Implementing Agencies. Accordingly, all the Implementing Agencies were directed to raise sufficient seedlings in their nurseries to meet the increased requirement of planting material for the Financial Year 2020-21 in Monsoon areas and for 2020-21 and 2021-22 in winter planting areas.

Based on the proposals received from IAs for additional raising of seedlings, an amount of Rs 217.14 was allotted to the DFOs (Territorial) for raising of seedlings.

Agenda Item No: 25.3

Approval of the 5th Meeting of Executive Committee (National Authority) Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

Annual Plan of Operations (APOs) for Financial Year 2020-21 under CAMPA were approved by the Steering Committee of J&K State Authority in its meeting held on 20.02.2020. Abstract of implementation agency wise/Allied Department wise outlay and activity wise physical/financial targets for 2020-21, approved by the Steering Committee is placed at Annexure-4.

Thereafter, the APOs were sent to National Authority, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India for approval by its Executive Committee vide communication dated 28.02.2020.

The National Authority has conveyed approval of 5th Meeting of its Executive Committee held on 23.04.2020 for carrying out essential plantation and other activities, in the first instance, for the APOs of UT of J&K at a total cost of Rs 105.76 crore during the current financial year.

The major activity-wise approval accorded by the National Authority and details of approved activities in the APOs are given in the following table:

Activities approved as per Rule 5 of CAF Rules, 2018

S.No.	Major Activity	Amount in Crore	Details of approved activities in the APOs
a.	Artificial/Natural Regeneration (Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value, Road Side Plantation)	81.99	All works relating to plantation, fencing, sowing/dibbling, pasture development, beating up of casualties and plant production under CA, NPV and RSP of Forest, Social Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation Departments and State Forest Research Institute in side forest areas .
b.	Silvicultural Operation in forests	1.50	Works relating to tending operation and bush/lantana clearance of Forest Department.
c.	Forest Fire Prevention and Control Operation	2.35	Works relating to forest fire prevention and control operations of Forest Department.
d.	Soil and water conservation in forests	9.37	All works relating to soil & moisture conservation in forests areas (DRSM, Crates, WHS) of Forest, Social Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation Departments.

e.	Catchment Area Treatment Plan (in forest area)	4.00	Catchment Area Treatment works proposed by Forest Department in compliance to orders of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal (NGT) (reference: Decision of the Steering Committee meeting held on 08.06.2019) inside forest areas.
f.	Casual engagement of local people or labourers to assist regular staff for works of protection of forests	6.02	Watch & ward of Forest, Social Forestry, Soil & Water Conservation Departments and State Forest Research Institute.
g.	Independent concurrent Monitoring & Evaluation	0.53	Third party organization engaged by CAMPA Secretariat for monitoring of CAMPA works.
Total		105.76	

It may be noted that following works kept in the APOs have not yet been approved by the National Authority: protection of plantation & forests including demarcation works, management of biological diversity, catchment area treatment by WUCMA, works of Wildlife Protection Department, infrastructure related works, training & capacity building, purchase of equipments, publications/studies, Mitigation Plan for KHANP and wages of need based persons under CAMPA.

National Authority held meeting of its Executive Committee on 27/28 May 2020 wherein interalia the APO of J&K CAMPA was discussed and reply to their observation was given. Minutes of the meeting are awaited.

All Implementing Agencies/Allied Departments have been requested to immediately start implementation of the approved activities including seeking of AA/TS & e-tendering of works. As regards e-tendering of works, fresh guidelines have been issued which stipulate composite tendering for all fencing and soil conservation works by the implementing agencies.

Adherence to the conditions of approval imposed by National Authority, such as, uploading of coordinates/polygons on e-green watch portal and consultation with Panchayat must be ensured by implementing agencies before starting the works. Funds for the approved works shall be released after same is transferred by the Government to the expenditure head of public account of the State Fund, a request for which has already been made to Administrative Department.

Any other issue with permission of the Chair.


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