To
The Principal Pay & Accounts Officer
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
New Delhi 110003

Sub: Financial Assistance for Conservation and Management of Rewalsar wetland in Himachal Pradesh for the year 2019-20 under the National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems (NPCA)-Reg

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry’s sanction of even number dated 17th March, 2017, I am directed to convey approval of the President of India to release an amount of Rs 12.00 lakh (Rupees twelve lakh only) without Flexi funds being balance amount of the grant sanctioned during the year 2016-17 to the Department of Science, Technology and Environment, Government of Himachal Pradesh (H.P.) for implementation of Annual Management Action Plan (MAP) for conservation and management of Rewalsar in H.P. during FY 2019-20, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-systems (NPCA). The sanction is based on the Annual Management Action Plan (MAP) submitted by the Government of Himachal Pradesh to the Ministry, vide their letter no. SCSTEWetland Coordination-2608 dated 18th June, 2016, as per the break up given below:

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<th>S. No.</th>
<th>Activity/Item</th>
<th>Physical Targets</th>
<th>Rates per unit</th>
<th>Amt. sanctioned</th>
<th>GPS Coordinates</th>
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<td>A.</td>
<td>Survey and Assessment</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Survey of human settlement and other human activities in the catchment</td>
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<td>LS</td>
<td>0.25</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Survey and assessment of natural water sources like lakes, springs etc.</td>
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<td>LS</td>
<td>0.25</td>
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<td>B.</td>
<td>Catchment area Treatment</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Nurseries</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>LS</td>
<td>5.00</td>
<td>N31°38.7.28 E076°30.3.93</td>
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<td>Activity Description</td>
<td>Completion Status</td>
<td>LS</td>
<td>Cost (in Rs)</td>
<td>GPS Coordinates</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Removal of invasive species</td>
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<td>3.58</td>
<td>N31°44.34 E076°50.29.70</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Vegetative check dams</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>LS</td>
<td>1.00</td>
<td>N31°38.7.28 E076°50.3.93</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Misc Soil Conservation</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>LS</td>
<td>5.00</td>
<td>N31°38.13.1 E076°49.91.1 N31°38.17.03 E076°49.86.4</td>
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**C. Restoration Measures**

i) De-silting and de-weeding of lake  
   - Completion Status: LS  
   - Cost: 5.00 Rs  
   - GPS Coordinates: N31°38.0.00 E076°50.02.5

ii) Improvement of drainage of lake and peripheral drainage system including water proof lining outside - inside of the lake  
    - Completion Status: LS  
    - Cost: 10.00 Rs  
    - GPS Coordinates: N31°38.0.00 E076°50.02.5

iii) Rejuvenation of springs on the periphery of lakes  
     - Completion Status: LS  
     - Cost: 2.00 Rs  
     - GPS Coordinates: N31°38.0.00 E076°50.02.5

**D. Pollution control**

1. Solid waste management including provision of eco-friendly animal proof waste disposal bins  
   - Completion Status: LS  
   - Cost: 2.00 Rs  
   - Not indicated by the State Govt

**E. Eco- Tourism Activity**

1. Construction of camping sites  
   - Completion Status: LS  
   - Cost: 5.00 Rs  
   - Not indicated by the State Govt

2. Dev. of sitting planes, walking trails and drinking water  
   - Completion Status: LS  
   - Cost: 5.00 Rs  
   - N31°38.16.3 E076°49.89.4

3. Garbage disposal system  
   - Completion Status: LS  
   - Cost: 1.00 Rs  
   - Not indicated by the State Govt

**F. Environmental Education and Awareness**

1. Publicity awareness meeting / Resource Material  
   - Completion Status: LS  
   - Cost: 0.75 Rs  
   - Not applicable
2. Training of front line staff and local community
   - LS 0.25 Not applicable

3. Training of local youth and tourist guides
   - LS 0.25 Not applicable

4. Const. of information Centre including machinery & Equipments
   - LS 5.00 N31°37.95.9 E076°49.97.3

G. Community Welfare

1. Distribution of fuel, fodder trees and improved grass
   - LS 2.00 Not applicable

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<th>Total sanctioned for the year 2016-17 (including State share)</th>
<th>53.33 lakh</th>
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<td>(A) Cost of Annual MAP including State share, (but excluding flexi funds)</td>
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<td>(B) Central share in APO</td>
<td>B=90% of A</td>
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<td>(C) Amount released as 1st instalment 75% of Central share during 2016-17</td>
<td>C= 75% of B</td>
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<td>(D) Net amount to be released during CFY 2019-20</td>
<td>D=B-C</td>
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The amount admissible will be as per actual subject to the ceiling of maximum and as per state Schedule of Rate.

2. The sanction of the President is also conveyed for release of **Rs 12.00 lakh (Rupees twelve lakh only)** to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh to meet the expenditure for the activities to be undertaken during FY 2019-20, as given in the above table.

3. In addition to the terms and conditions detailed in this Ministry’s earlier sanction of even number dated 17th March, 2019, this release is subject to the following conditions:

   (i) On the receipt of the grant, the State Government will also release its corresponding share immediately for the project.

   (ii) The State Council for Science, Technology and Environment, Government of Himachal Pradesh shall be the Implementing Agency (IA) for undertaking the above activities for Rewalsar.
(iii) The State Council for Science, Technology and Environment, Government of Himachal Pradesh shall monitor the progress of activities at the end of every quarter and shall submit quarterly physical & financial status to the Ministry. All the activities shall be completed by the end of this financial year.

(iv) Once the above activities are completed, the State Govt. shall submit a Consolidated Report of the work carried out so far with the Total financial assistance received under the National Wetland Conservation Programme (NWCP). The report shall contain quantitative details, maps indicating activities undertaken and other work done, areas covered so far along-with photograph of the site etc.

(v) The State Government shall select an impartial outside Technical Agency for evaluating the work carried out so far from the financial assistance received under the NWCP.

(vi) A certificate of civil works, if any shall be submitted mentioning that the rates are as per the schedule of State Public Works Department, Government of H.P.

(vii) As per instructions of Direct Benefit Transfer cell, a separate interest earning bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by Central Government or C&AG and compliance with DBT scheme. All payments shall be made electronically only through bank transfer, and no cash payments, are to be made by the implementing Agency.

(viii) Evidence of deposit of GST in case of contract payment and leviable goods is obtained along with UC and compliance of DBT scheme has to be ensured.

(ix) GFR is followed by implementing agency along with the economy instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.

(x) In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI contributions of employees shall be obtained, wherever applicable.

(xi) If the Implementing Agency does not use the fund for the purpose for which it was given, it has to refund the same with interest.

(xii) There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing scheme of Central/State Government. The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed of without approval of this Ministry.

(xiii) Satellite Photographs with date and latitude and longitude coordinates before and after completion of work depicting the work shall be submitted along with Utilization Certificate.

(xiv) The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without approval of this Ministry.

(xv) The Utilization Certificate (UC), Physical Progress Report (PPR) and Satellite photographs with physical deliverable with date and latitude & longitude coordinates before and after completion of work shall be uploaded in the
website of the State Government and in turn this Ministry would load on Government of India website for Public access.

5. The Utilization Certificate (U.C.) and Physical Progress of work undertaken for the released amount shall be submitted on quarterly basis. The U.C. in the GFR-19 A format shall be signed and stamped by the Head of the Deptt./authorized representative and also by Accounts Officer. Component wise break-up of expenditure on Central and State’s share shall be provided.

6. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Reserve Bank of India may be advised for debiting the amount of Rs 12.00 lakh (Rupees twelve lakh only) to the account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and passing on the credit to the Central Accounts Section, Nagpur for transfer to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh in the books to the later.

7. Violation of any of the terms may result in recovery of the amount given as assistance for the above mentioned activities.

8. The accounts of the project under the NPCA scheme shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit, both by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India under the provision of C&AG(DPC) Act, 1971 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.

9. The expenditure is debitable to Major Head: 3601.06.101.03.03.35- Grants for Creation of Capital Assets under the National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Ecosystems under Demand No. 27 of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change during FY 2019-20 (Plan).

10. As per the revised guideline on flexi fund (FF), the fund to the tune of 25% may be set aside for flexi fund, however, State who want to avail the flexi fund facility, should constitute a State Level Sanctioning Committee (SLSC) to sanction project or activities under the flexi fund component. Participation of the concerned Central Ministry would be mandatory in the SLSC before the flexi fund is invoked under any Central Scheme.

11. The sanction is issued under the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division vide their Dy. No. P-53748/DS (IFD)/2019 dated 19.07.2019.

Yours faithfully,

((Pramod Kumar Patra)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:

1. Secretary, Department of Environment and Forests, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt of H.P, Shimla
4. The Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
5. Accountant General, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
8. The Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Central Account Section, Nagpur.
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