

F.No. 13-8/2020 WL
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change

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Dated: 17.06.2020

To,

The Sr. Accounts Officer (HQ)
O/o The Principal Account Office,
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
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Sub: CSS -'Development of Wildlife Habitats'-Simbalbara Wildlife Sanctuary, Renuka Wildlife Sanctuary, Chail Wildlife Sanctuary, Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary, Gangul Siyabehi Wildlife sanctuary, Pong dam Wildlife sanctuary, Dhauladhar Wildlife sanctuary, Kalatop-Khajjiar Wildlife Sanctuary, Tundah Wildlife sanctuary, Kugti Wildlife sanctuary, Sechu Tuwannala Wildlife sanctuary, Great Himalayan National Park, Shimla water Catchment Wildlife Sanctuary, Daranghati Wildlife Sanctuary, Majathal Wildlife Sanctuary, Nargu Wildlife Sanctuary, Sainj Wildlife Sanctuary, Thirthan Wildlife Sanctuary, Kanwar Wildlife Sanctuary, Khokhan Wildlife Sanctuary, Bandli Wildlife Sanctuary, Shikari Devi Wildlife Sanctuary, Manali Wildlife Sanctuary, Kais Wildlife Sanctuary, Lipa Asrang Wildlife Sanctuary, Rakshham-Chhitkul Wildlife Sanctuary, Rupi Bhawa Wildlife Sanctuary, Talra Wildlife Sanctuary, Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary, Pin Valley National Park and Chandratat Wildlife Sanctuary -Himachal Pradesh.

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the Government of India to the implementation of the above scheme during 2020-21 for **Rs. 248.4302 lakh (Rupees two hundred forty eight lakh forty three thousand twenty only)** as per details given in the annexure. The total cost of the scheme will be shared on 90:10 basis by the Government of India and the State Government of Himachal Pradesh as per the change in funding pattern. Accordingly **Rs. 223.58718 lakh (Rupees two hundred twenty three lakh fifty eight thousand seven hundred eighteen only)** would be the Government of India's share. Strict economy should be observed so as to keep the actual expenditure to the minimum.

2. I am also directed to convey the sanction of the President to release the payment of **Rs. 187.63518 lakh (Rupees one hundred eighty seven lakh sixty three thousand five hundred eighteen only)** as during the current financial year 2020-21 subject to condition that the State Government of Himachal Pradesh would contribute 10% of the sanctioned amount as per the D.O.No.32/PSO/FS/2015 dated 28.10.2015 from Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure.

3. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 25 of Environment, Forests & Wildlife under the following heads during Financial Year 2020-21:

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
Development of Wildlife Habitats	Major Head 3601, 06-Sub Major Head, 101-Central Assistance/Share (Minor Head), 02.04.31-Grants-in-Aid General	121.28518
Development of Wildlife Habitats	Major Head 3601, 06- Sub Major Head, 796- Tribal Area Sub Plan (Minor Head)-02- Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats (Sub Head), 02.03.31-Grants-in-Aid-General	66.35

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4. The payment sanctioned above is provisional and is subject to the adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure. Other terms and conditions of the payment are as follows:

- i) The grant sanctioned is subject to adjustment on the basis of the terms and conditions stipulated in the scheme.
- ii) The grant shall be utilized by 31st March 2021.
- iii) The Utilization Certificate in form of GFR 17 shall be submitted to this Ministry before any proposal for subsequent grant and in no case later than 31st March 2021.
- iv) Progress Report on physical achievement against the target set shall be submitted to the Ministry by 31st March 2021.

5. In accordance with the revised procedure, the Reserve Bank of India may please be advised for debiting the amount to the account of the Deptt. of Environment and Forests and passing on the credit to the Central Accounts Section, Nagpur for transfer to the State Govt. in the books of later. State Government would release the **unspent balance of Rs.35.952 lakh (Rupees thirty five lakh ninety five thousand two hundred only)** as the same is available with them.

6. The various works to be carried out should be in accordance with the provisions under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and the State Government must ensure that Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court in I.A. No. 548 in Civil Writ Petition No. 202/95 are fully complied with while implementing the APO.

7. The various works approved in the APO are to be executed as per the Sanctioned Schedule of Rates applicable in the area. The expenditure should also to be kept within the ceiling prescribed for each item of work and no funds to be diverted for expenditure without the prior approval of the Ministry.

8. The accounts of the scheme 'Development of Wildlife Habitats' 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 Officer of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.

9. The approved land based activities should be undertaken only at the locations mentioned in the APO proposals submitted to the Ministry, which are also specified in the Annexure.

10. The grant sanctioned is further subject to the condition that:

- i. The expenditure is to incur as per the allocation of the funds.
- ii. Payments are to be made by bank transfer and no cash payment is to be made.
- iii. GFR to be followed by implementing agency along with the economy instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- iv. In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI contributions of employees to be furnished, wherever applicable.
- vi. UC to be submitted as prescribed in GFR 2017.
- vii. If the implementing agency does not use the fund for the purpose for which it was given, it has to be refund the same with interest.
- viii. There should not be any overlapping of activities under the projects with the activities of ongoing scheme of Centre /State Government.
- ix. The fixed asset created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without approval of this Ministry.
- x. A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be opened for audit by Central Government of C&AG.
- xi. The Utilization Certificates with physical progress and photos of work to be submitted for each sanctuaries and uploaded on the website of the implementing agency as well as the Ministry for public access.

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11. Details of number of persons hired/ mandays generated for carrying out the approved activities should clearly be indicated in the Expenditure Statement of each Sanctuary/National Park. Number of persons hired in various categories (ST/SC) should also be indicated in each Sanctuary/National Park.

12. Engagement of all daily wage labours/fire watchers etc should be strictly through DBT and monthly progress in this regard to be intimated to the Ministry.

13. The fund provided under compensation for loss due to wildlife is only to supplement the state fund. The State Government to funds the compensation amount as per the existing rules of the state.

13. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Divisions of this Deptt. vide their Dy No.135232/AS&FA(PG) dated 15.06.2020 under the power delegated to Ministries/Departments.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. R. Gopinath)
Joint Director (WL)

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2. The Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Himachal Pradesh.
4. The Accountant General of Himachal Pradesh.
5. The CWLW, Himachal Pradesh.
6. Dy. Director (Wildlife Preservation), Northern Region, New Delhi.
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Annexure:

1. Simbalbara National Park-

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Sl. No.	Item of Work	Quantity	Rate per Unit (Rs in lakh)	Amount (Rs in lakhs)
Non recurring activities				
1	Construction of van sarovar/ water ponds. 30°24.525N 77°33.327E	LS	1.00	1.00
2	upgrading of nursery 30°26.180N 77°30.558E	LS	1.00	1.00
Sub Total				2.00
Recurrent Activities				
3	special repair of staff residences 30°25.485N 77°28.980'E and 30°24.525N 77°33.327'E	2 no	0.50	1.00
4	Hiring Anti Poacher and anti grazers 30°27'03"N 77°33'56E to 30°26'25"N 77°28'27" E	500MD	275/md	1.40

5	Mobile Connectivity to existing staff including M/staff of Divn. Office for 3 month	3 month	200/pm	0.10
6	Engagement of fire watchers and clearing of fire lines	31.5 km	L/S	2.50
7	Lntana Eradication (50%) 30°26.757N 77°29.244E 30°26.141N 77° 29.700E	10 Ha	0.186/ha	1.86
8	Maintenance of existing road from puruwala to Simbalbara 30°27'03"N 77°33'56E to 30°26'25"N 77°28'27" E	10 km	L/S	1.50
Sub total				8.36
Grand total				10.36
Total central share				9.324
Less unspent balance				5.4765
Net release				3.8475

2. Renuka-ji Wildlife Sanctuary-

Sl. No.	Item of Work	Quantity	Rate per Unit (Rs in lakh)	Amount (Rs in lakhs)
Non recurring activities				
1	Bio Engineering works in various khallas 30°36'26"N 77°28'14"E to 30°36'37" 77°28'23"E	LS	1.00	1.00
Sub Total				1.00
Recurrent Activities				
2	Anti-Poaching & Fire Prevention work to avoid poaching and fire incidents in the PA	750/ MD	275/-	2.10
3	Maintenance of plantation IInd year	8 ha	LS	0.30
4	Construction/maintenance of trekking routes for better patrolling facility to staff 30°36'14"N 77°26'46"E to 30°36'13"N 77°28'02"E	4 km	0.20	0.80
5	De-silting of existing water ponds including maintenance. 30°35'58"N 77°26'34"E & 30°37'08"N 78°28'21"E	4 no	0.20	0.80
Sub total				4.00
Grand total				5.00
Total central share				4.50
Less unspent balance				2.115
Net Release				2.385

3. Chail Wildlife Sanctuary

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				Sub Total	2.00
Recurrent Activities					
3	Maintenance of Shrim Bunker . 32°02'26.1"N, 78°54'91.4"E	1 no	0.50	0.50	0.50
4	Maintenance of GiachangBunker . 32°02'67.8"N, 78°59'69.1"E	1 no	0.50	0.50	0.50
5	Maintenance of Trekker Path Baldar to Bhaba 32°54'40.2"N, 78°0,57.5"E	10 km	LS	0.75	0.75
6	Abundance survey of faunal species	2 times	0.80	1.60	1.60
7	Mobile connectivity to field staff	6 persons for 4 month	200/month	0.05	0.05
8	Combing operations to search traps/nets	LS	0.50	0.50	0.50
9	Awareness programmes/ celebration of wild life week	2 no	0.12	0.24	0.24
10	Workshop on wild life issues	1 no	0.50	0.50	0.50
11	Preventive measures against poaching- hiring of daily wagers/ vehicles.	LS	1.50	1.50	1.50
12	Compensation for damage to live stock	LS	1.80	1.80	1.80
				Sub total	7.94
				Grand total	9.94
				Total central share	8.946
				Net Release	8.946

31. Chandratal Wildlife Sanctuary

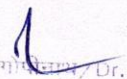
Sl. No.	Item of Work	Quantity	Rate per Unit (Rs in lakh)	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	
Non recurring activities					
1	Construction of check walls to protect lake from siltation. 32°27'10.26"N, 77°38'52.36"E	3 no	1.00	3.00	
2	Construction of check walls for gully plugging. 77°38'30.97"E, 32°26'27.348"N	3 no	0.50	1.50	
				Sub total	4.50
Recurring activities					
3	Maintenance Of waste management pits near camp site, taxistand and lake site. 32°27'10.6"N, 77°38'52.36"E	2 no	0.25	0.50	
4	Abundance survey of faunal species	1 times	0.80	0.80	
5	Mobile connectivity to field staff	6 persos for 4 month	200/month	0.05	
6	Combing operations to search traps/nets	LS	0.50	0.50	
7	Preventive measures against poaching- hiring of	LS	1.50	1.50	

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daily wagers/ vehicles.			
		Sub total	3.35
		Grand Total	7.85
		Central Share	7.065
		Net Release	7.065

The gist of the financial allocation to 31 Protected Areas in Himachal Pradesh being released during the financial year 2020-21 is as under

Sl. No	Name of the Area	Amount (Rs. in lakh)
1	Simbalbara Wildlife sanctuary	10.36
2	Renuka Wildlife sanctuary	5.00
3	Chail Wildlife sanctuary	5.077
4	Churdhar Wildlife sanctuary	6.20
5	Gangul Siyabehi Wildlife sanctuary	4.60
6	Pong dam Wildlife sanctuary	19.50
7	Dhauladhar Wildlife sanctuary	7.37
8	Kalatop-Khajjar Wildlife sanctuary	7.19
9	Tundah Wildlife sanctuary	3.15
10	Kugti Wildlife sanctuary	8.79
11	Sechu Tuwan nala WLS	6.895
12	Great Himalayan NP	9.852
13	Shimla water Catchment Wildlife sanctuary	5.75
14	Daranghati Wildlife sanctuary	8.8395
15	Majathal Wildlife sanctuary	6.25
16	Nargu Wildlife sanctuary	5.80
17	Sainj Wildlife sanctuary	8.22
18	Thirthan Wildlife sanctuary	8.722
19	Kanwar Wildlife sanctuary	6.645
20	Khokhan Wildlife sanctuary	8.2575
21	Bandli Wildlife sanctuary	11.01
22	Shikari Devi Wildlife sanctuary	12.899
23	Manali Wildlife sanctuary	6.95
24	Kais Wildlife sanctuary	7.75
25	Lipa Asrang Wildlife sanctuary	3.4576
26	Rakshham Chhitkul Wildlife sanctuary	6.6152
27	Rupi Bhawa Wildlife sanctuary	12.8604
28	Talra Wildlife sanctuary	5.78
29	Kibber Wildlife sanctuary	10.85
30	Pin Valley NP	9.94
31	Chandratal Wildlife sanctuary	7.85
	Grand Total	248.4302
	Central share in APO (90% of total APO)	223.58718
	Less unspent balance	35.952
	Net Release	187.63518


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*while carrying out the approved activities, out of the proposed central share, at least Rs. 66.35 lakhs to be spent on engaging labours belonging to Scheduled Tribe sub plan.


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