

F.No. 13-8/2019 WL
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change

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Dated: 15.7.2019

To,

The Sr. Accounts Officer (HQ)
O/o The Principal Account Office,
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Sub: CSS -'Development of Wildlife Habitats' - Simbalbara Wildlife Sanctuary, Renuka Wildlife Sanctuary, Chail Wildlife Sanctuary, Churdhar Wildlife Sanctuary, Gamgul Siyabehi Wildlife sanctuary, Pong dam Wildlife sanctuary, Dhauladhar Wildlife sanctuary, Kalatop-Khajjiar Wildlife Sanctuary, Tundah Wildlife sanctuary, Kugti Wildlife sanctuary, Sechu Tuwan nala 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 2019-20 for **Rs. 456.6216 lakh (Rupees four hundred fifty six lakh sixty two thousand one hundred sixteen 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. 410.95944 lakh (Rupees four hundred ten lakh ninety five thousand nine hundred forty four 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. 305.76554 lakh (Rupees three hundred five lakh seventy six thousand five hundred fifty four only)** as during the current financial year 2019-20 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, Depart of Expenditure.

3. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 27 of Environment, Forests & Wildlife under the following heads during Financial Year 2019-20:

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	203.02554
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	102.74

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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 2020.
- 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 2020.
- iv) Progress Report on physical achievement against the target set shall be submitted to the Ministry by 31st March 2020.

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.105.1939 lakh (Rupees one hundred five lakh nineteen thousand three hundred ninety 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.

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 Forest Finance Divisions of this Deptt. vide their Dy No.123024/AS&FA(PG) dated 11.7.2019 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.
7. The Director of Audit, CW&MII, 3rd Floor, AGCR Bldg., IP Estate, N.Delhi.
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Annexure:

1. Simbalbara Wildlife Sanctuary

Sl. No.	Item of Work	Quantity	Rate per Unit (Rs in lakh)	Amount (Rs in lakhs)
Non recurring activities				
1	Plantation of fodder fruit species in blank patches to provide better fodder and fruit to existing wildlife. 30°29'27.1"N 77°30'50.3"E to 30°25'42.6"N 77°29'08.8" E	4 ha	LS	1.50
2	Upgrading of nursery for habitat improvement.	2 no	LS	1.00
3	Solar fencing around Simbalbara FRH complex and at the outer boundary of the NP.(Aamgarh) for protection from elephant movement. N30°26'35" E 77°28'55"	LS	10.00	10.00
4	Construction of boundary wall around Rang office.	LS	1.50	1.50
Sub Total				14.00

Recurrent Activities				
5	Eradication of lantana for habitat improvement. 30°29'27.1"N 77°30'50.3"E to 30°25'42.6"N 77°29'08.8"E	20ha	0.10/ha	2.00
6	Maintenance of firelines and engagement of fire watcher. 30°29'27.1"N 77°30'50.3"E to 30°25'42.6"N 77°29'08.8"E	LS	2.00	2.00
7.	Anti poaching and fire prevention. 30°27'03"N 77°33'56E to 30°26'25"N 77°28'27" E	500 md	200/md	1.00
8	Mobile connectivity to existing staff including M/staff of Div. Office for 3 months for effective fire/poaching control management.	LS	0.10	0.10
9	Maintenance of existing road from Puuwala to Simbalbara to provide better patrolling facilities to the frontline staff. . 30°27'03"N 77°33'56E to 30°26'25"N 77°28'27" E	8 km	LS	2.00
10	Abundance survey on major faunal species through WII. 30°27'03"N 77°33'56E to 30°26'25"N 77°28'27" E	8 km	LS	0.50
11	Conducting workshop/seminar on Central Migratory Birds (CMS activity) 30°27'03"N 77°33'56E to 30°26'25"N 77°28'27" E	LS	0.50	0.50
12	Celebration of wildlife life week (revalidation)	LS	0.225	0.225
Sub total				8.325
Grand total				22.325
Total central share				20.0925
Less unspent balance				0.225
Net release				19.8675

2. Renuka Wildlife Sanctuary

Sl. No.	Item of Work	Quantity	Rate per Unit (Rs in lakh)	Amount (Rs in lakhs)
Non recurring activities				
1	Moisture retention works, construction of katcha water ponds 30°36'14"N 77°26'46"E 30°36'13"N 77°28'02"E	3 no	0.05	1.50
2	Bio Engineering works in various khallas to protect soil erosion. 30°36'26"N 77°28'14"E	LS	1.00	1.00

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List of the financial allocation to 31 Protected Areas in the Himachal Pradesh being released during the financial year 2019-20 is as under

Sl. No	Name of the Area	Amount (Rs. in lakh)
1	Simbalbara Wildlife sanctuary	22.325
2	Renuka Wildlife sanctuary	10.35
3	Chail Wildlife sanctuary	7.8945
4	Churdhar Wildlife sanctuary	12.10
5	Gangul Siyabehi Wildlife sanctuary	4.00
6	Pong dam Wildlife sanctuary	50.60
7	Dhauladhar Wildlife sanctuary	19.35
8	Kalatop-Khajjiar Wildlife sanctuary	9.90
9	Tundah Wildlife sanctuary	4.00
10	Kugti Wildlife sanctuary	23.075
11	Sechu Tuwan nala WLS	5.995
12	Great Himalayan NP	30.20
13	Shimla water Catchment Wildlife sanctuary	9.60
14	Daranghati Wildlife sanctuary	11.4473
15	Majathal Wildlife sanctuary	8.34
16	Nargu Wildlife sanctuary	16.90
17	Sainj Wildlife sanctuary	20.00
18	Thirthan Wildlife sanctuary	21.00
19	Kanwar Wildlife sanctuary	13.85
20	Khokhan Wildlife sanctuary	12.99
21	Bandli Wildlife sanctuary	21.45
22	Shikari Devi Wildlife sanctuary	20.00
23	Manali Wildlife sanctuary	9.25
24	Kais Wildlife sanctuary	6.75
25	Lipa Asrang Wildlife sanctuary	4.0268
26	Rakshham Chhitkul Wildlife sanctuary	13.26
27	Rupi Bhawa Wildlife sanctuary	13.63
28	Talra Wildlife sanctuary	12.10
29	Kibber Wildlife sanctuary	17.05
30	Pin Valley NP	13.34
31	Chandratal Wildlife sanctuary	11.848
	Grand Total	456.6216
	Central share in APO (90% of total APO)	410.95944
	Less unspent balance	105.1939
	Net Release	305.76554

while carrying out the approved activities, out of the proposed central share, at least Rs. 02.74 lakhs to be spent on engaging labours belonging to Scheduled Tribe communities.

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