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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

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दिनांक \Dated: 1st July 2024

To.

The Principal Secretary, Department of Forest and Environment, Government of Delhi, New Delhi

Sub: Approval of Annual Plan of Operation for the financial year 2024-25 of Delhi UT CAMPA- reg.

Ref: Delhi letter No. F. No. 16/CAMPA/F&WL/APO/2024-25/1456-59dated 31st May 2024

Sir.

With reference to the above-mentioned letter, the Annual Plan of Operation of Delhi for the financial year 2024-25 was discussed in detail by the Executive Committee of the National Authority during its 30th meeting held on 7th June 2024. After due deliberations approval of the Executive Committee of the National Authority is conveyed under section 15 (1) (i) of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016 for the UT Annual Plan of Operation 2024-25 for an amount of **Rs 34.55 crore** (**Rupees thirty four crore and fifty-five lakh only**) against the proposed outlay of **Rs. 62.50 crore** (**Rupees sixty-two crore and fifty lakh only**) for carrying out the approved activities.

- 2. The Executive Committee directed all the States/Union Territories to create pending compensatory afforestation and other mandatory activities till 2022 at the earliest and all efforts should be made in this direction to complete these mandatory activities in a time bound manner in compliance of the conditions mentioned in the approval granted by the Central Government.
- 3. The details of component wise activities considered in the 30th EC are as follows:

(Rs. in crore and Area in Ha.)

S.	CAF	Activity		Proposed	outlay	Remarks/	
No.	Act/Rules			Physical Target	Financial Target	Decision of 30th EC	
1.		Site- specific activities as per section 6(a) of the CAF Act, 2016					
	Mandatory	y Compensatory Afforestation					
	Activity	i)	New Plantation	41.27	6.56	Approved	
		ii)	Maintenance of existing/older plantation	190.48	15.66	Approved	

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S.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks/	
No.			Physical Target	Financial Target	Decision of 30 th EC	
		Construction of 7 Km long Boundary wall along with concertina fencing at CA site Holambi & Sannoth (NFD)		3.12	Approved	
		Construction of 02 nos. of Watch Towers at CA site Holambi & Sannoth (NFD)	02 nos.	0.44	Approved	
		LMV- (02 nos.) Farm Machinery (Tractor 02 nos.) (NFD)		0.30	Approved	
		Maintenance of CA on 1.48 ha NFL land wrt Diversion of 13.5165 Ha land for construction of LILO of 400 KV Bawana –Mandola T/L at Maharani Bagh of Power Grid Corporation Limited (CFD) Location: along Yudhister Setu on Western Bank of River Yamuna Year of Creation -2023-24	1.48	0.024	Approved	
		Maintenance of Plantation of dwarf species/ shrubs under the Transmission line wrt Diversion of 13.5165 Ha land for construction of LILO of 400 KV Bawana –Mandola T/L at Maharani Bagh of PGCIL (CFD) Year of Creation -2023-24	0.9	0.007	Approved	
1 %		Second year maintenance of CA plantation & fencing of CA land 2820 m created wrt Diversion of 13.5165 Ha land for construction of LILO of 400 KV Bawana –Mandola T/L at Maharani Bagh of Power Grid (CFD) Year of creation: 2021-22	12.04	0.12	Approved	
		Second year maintenace of CA plantation & fencing of CA land (3011 m) created wrt Diversion of 10.9736 Ha land for construction of LILO of 400 KV Bamnauli-Jhatikara T/L at Dwarka of PGCIL (CFD) Year of Creation: 2021-22	10.98	0.22	Approved	
		Third year Maintenance of CA plantation & fencing of CA land (2777 m) wrt Construction of LILO of 400 KV Bamnauli- Samaypur Transmission Line & Construction of LILO of 220 KV Mehrauli-BTPS/Okhla Transmission Line of PGCIL (CFD) Year of Creation: 2020-21	35.73	0.27	Approved	
		Third year Maintenance of CA plantation & fencing of CA land (627m) wrt Construction of CPWD Flyover (CFD) Year of Creation: 2020-21	1.81	0.016	Approved	
		iii) Other (Site Specific activities in accordance with FC approval)- Other mandatory activities approved as part of CA Scheme		0.53	Approved	
2.		Activity as per Rule 5(2) o	f CAF Rule:	s, 2018		
	5(2)a	Assisted Natural Regeneration				
4214011		i) New Plantation	30 ha	1.80	Approved	
MED I		ii) Maintenance	10 ha	0.20	Approved	



S. No.	CAF Act/Rules	Activity	Proposed outlay		Remarks/
			Physical Target	Financial Target	Decision of 30th EC
		 i) Tending operations (Weeding, cleaning, thinning, pruning & climber cutting)- • Crane/Boom-lift for the purpose of pruning of trees for eco-restoration works 	4 nos.	0.50	Not approved
	5(2)d	Protection of Plantations and forests			
		 i) Demarcation of forest boundary a. Installation of Solar panels at parking shed, office building and beat (SFD) b. Construction of Boundary walls for protection of Central Ridge (4 kms) (WFD) 	03 nos.	0.30	Not approved
			01	3.50	
	5(2)g	Soil and moisture conservation works			
		 i) Water bodies (name & size) a. Ponds b. Trenches c. Check dams- Check Dams @ Rs 1 lakh per check dam (SFD & WFD) d. Spur e. Retaining wall/ Breast wall 	100 nos.	1.00	
		ii) Any other relevant activities Development of Rain Water Recharge Structures @ Rs.2 lakh/Recharge structure (SFD & WFD)	100 nos.	2.00	
	5(2)i	Improvement of wildlife habitat			Approved for Rs. 0.18 crore
		i) Habitat management for flora and fauna pertaining to a. Food b. Cover c. Water management- Regular filling up of existing water holes at ABWLS (SFD)	NIL 130 nos.	0.60	
		 Regular maintenance of existing patrolling paths and measures for dust suppression (20 kms) (SFD) d. Weed removal 	Lumpsum	1.00	Not approved
		ii) Any other relevant activities a. Plastic bottle shredder (ABWLS) (SFD)	04 nos.	0.20	Not approved
	5(2)k	Establishment and maintenance of animal rescue centre and veterinary treatment facilities for wild animals	-	3.36	
	5(2)m	Management of biological diversity and biological resource			
		i) Any other relevant activities- Removal of invasive species especially Lantana camara in ABWLS & Central Ridge (SFD & CFD)	100	2.00	Not approved
3.		Activities as per Rule 5(3) of	the CAF Ru	le, 2018	
	5(3)a	Establishment, Maintenance of modern nurseries			
		i) Detailed estimate of nursery- Establishment of modern nursery (SFD)	1	1.30	Deferred for details

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No.			Physical	Financial	Decision of
			Target	Target	30th EC
		ii) Raising of 9 lakh saplings in the modern nursery (all divisions)	1	5.20	Not Approved
	di Interne	iii) Any other relevant activities, Development of Tissue Culture lab at Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary (SFD)	1	1.46	Approved
		iv) Spill over work/committed liabilities- Construction of Polyhouse at KNR Nursery for modernization of nursery (CFD)	01 nos.	0.05	Approved
	5(3)b	Promoting conservation, sustainable use and documentation of biological diversity			
		i) Documentation -Development of Interpretation Centre (SFD)	01 nos.	2.00	Not approved
	5(3)c	Purchase and maintenance of equipments of devices for communication, information and technology (Details of equipment & devices)			
		i) Others- a. Motorcycles (Forest Guard)	50 nos.	0.50	5 Motor cycles Approved for Rs. 0.11 crores
	5(3)d	Construction, upgradation and maintenance of inspection paths, forest roads in forest areas, watch towers, check posts and timber posts			
		i) Spill over work/committed liabilities: Construction of Watch Tower at Shastri Park plantation area near Metro Station (CFD)	01 nos.	0.08	Approved
	5(3)h	Independent concurrent monitoring and Third-party monitoring and evaluation	Marilla me		
		i) Third party monitoring and evaluation	1	0.20	Approved
4.		Activities as per Rule 6(a) of	f CAF Rule	es, 2018	
	6(a)iv	For disbursement of salary & allowances state CAMPA Authority & Staff	05	0.51	Approved for Rs. 0.26 crore
	6(a)vi	Activities referred to in sub rule- (2) and (3) of Rule 5	01	0.10	Not approved
		Solar tree for charging phone (SFD)	01 nos. 04 nos.	0.10	Not approved
		Wireless set	20 nos.	0.15	Not approved
		E-cycle for ecotourism	40 nos.	0.13	Approved
		Camera traps Capacity Building for frontline Executive	10 nos.	0.25	'Not approved
		Staff/ wildlife staff & workers of the Department	TO HOS.	0.23	тос арргочес
		Exposure visit of frontline Executive Staff/ Rescue Team	05 nos	0.25	Approved
	(V)	Construction of watch tower using iron angles with outer finishing of bamboo/ wood so as it camouflages with the forest area CA site at Yamuna Bank Metro Station	01 nos.	0.05	Approved
		Construction of residential and official buildings for frontline staff (beat offices) @2 lakh in each Division (SFD)	08 nos.	1.6	Not approved



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No.			Physical Target	Financial Target	Decision of 30 th EC		
		Construction of residential and official buildings for frontline staff (Range offices) @1 in each Division	04 nos.	2.0	Not approved		
		Construction of Pucca beds for raising saplings (100 Nos.) Beds of Size 12 Mtr. X 1 Mtr. (NFD)	100 nos	0.28	Not approved		
		Purchase of Bobcat Mini Excavator/ equivalent brand (SFD)	01 no.	0.3	Not Approved		
5.		Activities as per Rule 6(b) of CAF Rules, 2018					
	6(b)ii	Office equipment including computers and peripherals and its maintenance					
		(i) Purchase of laptops/ Computers	20 nos.	0.20	Approved		
		(ii) Procurement of DGPS for surveying and demarcation of forest land (SFD)	03 nos.	0.90	Not approved		
	6(b)iii	Hiring of staff cars for the use only for CEO office- Hiring of electric vehicles for Departmental use for one year	05 nos.	0.30	Approved 2 vehicles for Rs. 0.12 crores.		
	6(b)vi	Any other activity for management of forests and wildlife with the approval of Steering Committee and included in the APO-					
		 Hiring of electric golf carts for eco-tourism purpose in Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary (SFD) for one year 	12	0.72	Not approved		
	12 / 2 1-15/03	Total Approved		Rs. 34	.55 crore		

- 4. State/UT Government is requested to release the CAMPA fund to the CEO, State/UT CAMPA/State Forest Department immediately for carrying out approved activities in accordance with the APO 2024-25 approved by the National Authority.
- 5. The Governing Body and the Steering Committee of the State CAMPA are requested to monitor the progress of implementation of approved CAMPA activities and ensure timely release of funds to the Forest Departments.

6. The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- i. State Forest Department must ensure that the Compensatory Afforestation and other site-specific activities are carried out in the approved sites as per the forest diversion approval granted by the Central Government.
- ii. All afforestation efforts under the CA, ANR, AR, Catchment Area Treatment Plans, wildlife Habitat improvement etc. should primarily aim for comprehensive ecological restoration of the area on sustainable basis. Preference of local and indigenous species, especially fruit and fodder species should be given in every afforestation/ regeneration/ plantation and monoculture and planting of exotic species should be avoided.
- iii. The KML files of CA and other plantation (AR and ANR etc.) should be uploaded on the e-Green Watch portal and emailed to FSI with copy to National CAMPA official e-mail (nationalcampa-moefcc@gov.in) before taking up the work.

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iv. 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.

v. The ratio of expenditure on the approved activities under Rule 5(2) & 5(3) should strictly adhere as mentioned in the Rule 5 (2) & 5 (3) should not be less than 80 percent

and not more than 20 percent respectively.

vi. Please ensure that the annual interest accrued on State CAMPA Fund is credited into the State CAMPA fund so that the activities mentioned in the CAF Rule 6 are effectively implemented.

vii. The activities towards maintenance of plantation should be implemented in such a way that the maximum survival of the saplings is finally achieved with desired growth

parameters.

viii. All the records of CAMPA activities including amount sanctioned and expenditure incurred should be maintained by State CAMPA since its inception. The records should be properly maintained at the level of Range, Division office and CEO State CAMPA in prescribed formats and placed on the respective websites.

ix. A website of the State CAMPA should be properly developed, if not done earlier. It should have all relevant data, information, plantation maps, KML files of other assets and photographs of various activities carried out under CAMPA for effective monitoring and transparency. In respect of CA, plantations/ regeneration activities before and after photographs should be uploaded.

x. If required and approved by National Authority, casual engagement of local people or local labours may be hired to assist regular staff of State Forest Department for works for protection of forest and wildlife undertaken from State fund as per rule 5(3)(f).

- xi. Monitoring and evaluation of all the afforestation and other CAMPA activities undertaken shall be the highest priority for the State Authorities. The Executive Committee and Steering Committee of all the State/UT Authorities should ensure adequate measures for regular internal and third-party monitoring and evaluation of CAMPA activities on regular basis. For third party monitoring, State should engage agencies, who are professionally/ technically competent and independent of the State Government.
- xii. The monitoring and evaluation reports of all CAMPA works done upto the year 2023-2024 and all previous years alongwith all the relevant records should be made available to the DG, FSI & Member Coordinator, Monitoring Group annually as well as whenever required by him with copy to National CAMPA.
- xiii. A statement that the Annual Report, Annual Accounts and the Audit Report together with a memorandum of action taken on recommendations contained therein has been laid in each house of the States/UTs legislature as per requirements of section 29 of the CAF Act 2016, shall be invariably submitted with the APO every year seeking approval of the National Authority.
- xiv. Prior to implementation of approved APOs, the EC of the State Authority shall ensure that a certificate is available with them to the effect that the proposed activities are being taken up after due consultation with Gram Sabha and are as per provisions of FRA 2006 as required under the provision of the CAF Rule 5 (3).
- xv. State should ensure that the activities proposed in forest areas are in consonance with approved working plan; and activities proposed in protected areas (PAs) are in consonance with approved State Wildlife Management Plan, whereas activities proposed in forest fire prevention and control operations should be as per Integrated Fire Management Plan of the state.

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- xvi. Soil and Moisture Conservation works should be carried out in an integrated manner from ridge to valley approach in degraded forests. This shall focus on rejuvenation of rivers and achievements should be placed as per the DPRs for 13 major rivers released by MoEF&CC recently. APOs in future should indicate the reference of DPRs being implemented. The data of afforestation, aided forest regeneration and efforts for increasing tree cover outside should be shared with FSI for continuous assessment of green cover and evaluation. If not part of the above mentioned DPR, then state should take it up as per planned activity approved by State Government or in working plan.
- xvii. The State /UTs Authorities should make a detail record of total forest land transferred and compensatory afforestation carried out/ compensated the loss of green cover/ecosystem services.
- xviii. The State EC shall also ensure that there is no overlapping of activities / funding from other schemes of the State or Central Government and provide a certificate to that effect.
- xix. 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 in degraded forests as well as non-forest lands. Priority should also be accorded for regeneration and development of forests and wildlife habitat.
- xx. 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.
- xxi. There should not be any reduction in allocation for forestry sector in the regular State Budget due to flow of CAMPA funds to the State.
- xxii. Works related to Eco-tourism and Eco-development should be taken up following relevant rules and guidelines after taking necessary approvals.
- xxiii. Purchase of vehicles for office use is not permitted. Vehicles are to be hired as per approved APO. The repair/ maintenance of vehicles shall be limited to the vehicles purchased from the CAMPA funds previously.
- Procurement of multi-utility vehicles for meeting the operational requirements of forest front line staff of State/UT Forest departments from the NPV component of State CAMPA is permissible as per approved APO complying the guidelines issued by the National CAMPA vide NA-16/2/2023-NA dated 12th January 2024.
- XXV. IRO of the regional office of the Ministry shall monitor and evaluate CAMPA activities. The State CAMPA Authority shall keep sufficient budgetary provisions for monitoring by IRO, in the State APOs under monitoring head. IRO should submit the Monitoring and Evaluation reports within three to four months to National Authority.
- xxvi. The States/UTs CAMPA Authority shall complete the works approved in APO within the year and avoid any spill over for the next year. It is important to complete mandatory activities first and utilize the released funds for maintenance of CAMPA activities under NPV & Interest components before starting new activities.
- The States/UTs Authority are proposing engagement of casual labours for protection of Forests for the entire State. It is clarified that such item can be considered only for around the forest areas where the land transfer has taken place and need special protection owing to the developmental activities.
- The validity of APO (2024-25) is valid till 31.03.2025. Further continuation of the balance/ incomplete activities shall be permissible only if they are included in the approved APO.
- xxix. The State/UT Authorities shall work out details of funds available with the State CAMPA head-wise under CA/ CAT Plan/ Wildlife Mitigation Plan, NPV and interest

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components etc. after deducting the expenditure incurred and prepare Annual Plan of operation for next year based on CAMPA funds available with the States/UTs. Priority shall be given to the mandatory activities including commitment on maintenance of previous years.

xxx. All wage payments should be made through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).

Yours faithfully,

(Subhash Chandra)
Chief Executive Officer

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and (HoFF)-cum Chairperson, the Executive Committee of State CAMPA, Department of Forest, Government of Delhi.
- 2. The Chief Executive Officer, Union Territory of Delhi CAMPA.
- 3. The Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Delhi.
- 4. The Secretary, Department of Planning, Government of Delhi.
- 5. The Accountant General, Delhi.

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- 3. The Director General, Forest Survey of India, Dehradun, Member Coordinator, Monitoring Group of National Authority, CAMPA.
- 4. IFD/Sanction Folder/ Guard File.
- 5. NIC Cell with a request to upload the sanction order on the official website of MoEF&CC.