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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE, DELHI CAMPA HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GNCTD ON 06.06.2023 AT 2:00 PM TO DISCUSS ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION 2023-24 UNDER DELHI CAMPA

F. No. 07/CAMPA/F&WL/APO 23-24/2022-23/ 2101-114

Date: 23/06/23

The meeting of the Steering Committee, Delhi CAMPA was held on 06.06.2023 under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Govt. of NCT of Delhi to discuss and recommend the State Annual Plan of Operation for the year 2023-24 for utilizing funds deposited under CAMPA funds.

The list of officers/ officials who attended the meeting is attached as Annexure-A.

The draft APO drafted as per the integrated format prescribed by National CAMPA, MoEF&CC and duly recommended by the Executive Committee of State CAMPA was placed before the committee for deliberations.

The details of funds available in the CAMPA heads along with the progress of works undertaken in the last APO 2022-23 were placed before the committee. The committee was informed that an amount of Rs. 138.16 crores has been transferred by the MoEF&CC since 2021 till date out of which an expenditure of Rs.16.10 crores has been incurred. The funds have been made available for execution of works after notification of the CAMPA account.

Accordingly, the draft APO 2023-24 was placed before the Steering Committee as per details given below:

1. Creation and maintenance of CA Plantations:

- A. Creation of CA plantations is proposed over an area of 45.17 ha against approvals granted to various projects by MoEF&CC for diversion of Forest Land for Non Forestry purposes under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Total amount proposed is Rs.12.32 crores.
- B. Maintenance of CA plantations is proposed over an area of 90.48 ha (1st year maintenance) at the cost of Rs.10.05 crores, 23.02 ha (2nd year maintenance) at the cost of Rs.4.51 crores, 49.54 ha (3rd year maintenance) at the cost of Rs.6.21 crores and 0.28 ha (8th year maintenance) at the cost of Rs.0.015 crores.

2. **Activities under NPV:** The Committee was informed that activities like Eco-restoration of forest areas, construction of watch towers, soil moisture conservation activities, third party monitoring of CAMPA works, protection and monitoring activities etc. are proposed to be carried out from the funds made available under NPV. The Committee desired that the number of recharge pits being developed under the JalTara scheme should be increased to 5000.

Accordingly, the changes were incorporated in the draft APO 2023-24. As check dams and recharge pits serve a similar purpose of water retention & improvement of soil moisture, it was advised that construction of check dams may be dropped. The total proposed expenditure from the NPV fund is Rs.16.42 crores for the following activities:

1.	Eco Restoration plantation in Forest areas	128.39 ha
2.	Gap Plantation in Ujjwa	8 ha
3.	Maintenance of 4000 Plantation at Shikarpur	10 ha
4.	Recharge pits as per JalTara scheme	5000 nos.
5.	Wildlife Related activities (construction of water holes, purchase of animal rescue vehicle, wildlife kit)	-
6.	Capacity building activities	-
7.	Hiring of Animal Handlers	08 nos.
8.	Construction of Beat Offices	02 nos.
9.	Third party monitoring of CAMPA works and Plantations	-
10.	Construction of watch tower at Asola	01 nos.
11.	Purchase of motorcycles for newly recruited field staff	100 nos.

3. **Activities proposed under Interest component:** Activities such as hiring of contractual staff for functioning of state CAMPA, eco-restoration plantation, purchase of laptops etc. have been proposed from the Interest accrued from Deposits in CAMPA fund. The Chairman desired that a provision for development of a modern nursery along with a technically sound tissue culture lab should also be included under this component. Accordingly, the changes were incorporated in the draft APO 2023-24. The total amount proposed to be utilized from the Interest component is Rs.10.76 crores for the following activities:

1.	Eco Restoration plantation in Forest areas	41.12 ha
2.	Hiring of contractual staff for managing e-green watch cell and CAMPA works	06 nos.
3.	Purchase of laptops	08 nos.
4.	Development of tissue culture lab at Tughlakabad nursery	01 nos.

4. **Revalidation of works approved under CAMPA APO 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23:** The Committee was informed that some of the works items approved

by the National CAMPA in the earlier APOs were under process and for some the work has been completed on ground but due to the validity of last APO being up to 31.2023, the financial expenditure could not be booked; for all such activities, revalidation for expenditure sanction of Rs.9.94 crores is being sought from National CAMPA for completion of these works.

With minor corrections, the Steering Committee recommended the APO 2023-24 amounting to **Rs.60.30 crores** for consideration of the National Authority, CAMPA. A copy of the APO is enclosed with the minutes.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair and members of the Committee.



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Distribution:

1. OSD to the Chief Secretary, 5th Level, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi for kind information.
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4. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-02
5. Dy. Inspector General of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Integrated Regional office, Jaipur, A-218 & 216, Aranya Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur-302004, Rajasthan.
6. PCCF & HoD, Department of Forests & Wildlife, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.
7. Prof. C.R. Babu, Member, Director, CEMDE, School of Environmental Sciences, Delhi University
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