

Proceedings of the 11th Meeting of the Steering Committee of State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (State CAMPA).

The 11th Meeting of the Steering Committee was held on 09-08-2018 at 03.30 P.M. in the Committee Room, 4th Floor, Haryana Civil Secretariat under the Chairmanship of Sh. D.S. Dhesi, IAS, Chief Secretary, Haryana.

The meeting was attended by the following:-

1. Sh S. N. Roy, I.A.S., ACS to GoH (Forests & Wildlife Department).
2. Dr. Anil Kumar Hooda, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Haryana.
3. Sh. Satyabhan, IFS, PCCF (Wildlife), Haryana.
4. Sh. Vineet Garg, IFS, APCCF (FCA & CAMPA), Haryana.
5. Sh. Alok Verma, IFS, APCCF (Forestry), Haryana.
6. Sh. Suresh Dalal, IFS, Secretary to GoH (Forests & Wildlife Department).
7. Sh. S. D. Sharma, IFS, CF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF & CC), Chandigarh.

Initiating the meeting, the ACS to GoH, Forests & Wildlife, presented a brief on Action Taken Report on the directions issued by the Chairman in the 10th Meeting regarding utilization of funds released from Adhoc-CAMPA and getting funds released against APO 2017-18 & 2018-19 from MoEF and CC. Thereafter, the PCCF informed the Committee about financial position in State CAMPA which is as under:-

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Total Deposit with Adhoc-CAMPA	Total amount received from Adhoc-CAMPA	Amount spent	Balance	Amount admissible for APO 2018-19
Rs. in lakh				
97862	27495	24912	2583	18595

Thereafter, the Committee considered the Agenda placed before it and on appropriate deliberations, took the following decisions:-

2. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 10th Meeting of the Steering Committee

The Minutes of the 10th Meeting of the Steering Committee were confirmed.

3. Action Taken Report on the directions issued in the 10th Meeting of the Steering Committee.

ACS to GoH (Forest & Wildlife Department) briefed about the Action Taken on the directions issued by the Chairman in the 10th Meeting regarding utilization of funds released and getting funds released against APO 2017-18 & 2018-19.

The Action Taken Report was noted.

4. **Review of Physical and Financial Progress**

The Review Report was noted.

5. **Utilization of unspent funds of Rs. 1000 lakh of the APO 2016-17.**

The proposal for utilization of unspent funds of Rs. 1000 lakh of the APO 2016-17 on plantations along National Highways No. 73 and 65 was considered ^{and} as approved.

6. **Proposed Annual Plan of Operations (APO)- 2018-19:-**

A. **Maintenance of plantations of earlier years**

The proposal to include provision of Rs. 3697.91 lakh for maintenance of plantations raised in previous years (Rs. 1669.80 lakh in 2017-18 & Rs. 2028.11 lakh in 2018-19) in terms of the conditions included in Agenda was considered and approved.

B. **New Works**

B-1 **Compensatory Afforestation (CA)**

The proposal for Compensatory Afforestation over 4000 RKM (1000 ha.) by planting Tall Plants and 300 ha. by planting polypot plants on Degraded Forest Land incurring expenditure of Rs. 3816.40 lakh was considered and approved as per terms included in the Agenda.

B-2 **Net Present Value Fund (NPV)**

(i) **Modernization of Nurseries**

The proposal for modernization of 25 Nurseries and construction of 10 Mist Chambers at an estimated cost of Rs. 450 lakh (25 Nurseries x Rs. 10 lakh per nursery + 10 Mist Chambers x Rs. 20 lakh per Mist Chamber) was considered and approved as per terms included in the Agenda.

(ii) **Solar Systems at Nurseries/Rest Houses/Field Offices**

The proposal was for installation of Solar Systems at selected Nurseries, office buildings and Rest Houses of the department with technical assistance of HAREDA at an estimated expenditure of Rs. 800.00 lakh and expenditure of Rs. 946.49 lakh on Soil and Moisture Conservation.

The PCCF adverted that, to begin with, allocation can be of Rs. 400.00 lakh on installation of Solar Systems and balance amount of Rs. 400.00 lakh be spent on development of Herbal Forests at Morni Hills.

The Committee considered and approved the proposal as per terms included in the Agenda.

(iii) Aerial-Seeding of Indigenous Species in Aravallis

The proposal to include provision of Rs. 10.00 lakh for Aerial Seeding on experimental basis was considered and dropped (as found non-viable by the Executive Committee).

(iv) Developing Bio-diversity parks from Herbal Forests

The proposal for development of 58 Bio-diversity Parks at estimated expenditure of Rs. 1160 lakh and additional amount of Rs. 540.50 lakh for maintenance was considered and dropped (on recommendation of the Executive Committee).

(v) Organization of Environment Education Camps

The proposal to conduct 150 camps for Education and Awareness of students by the department at estimated expenditure of Rs. 53.25 lakh was considered and approved as per terms included in Agenda.

(vi) Wildlife

The Chief Wildlife Warden cum PCCF (WL) proposed to include allocation of Rs. 2111.80 lakh in the Annual Plan of Operations (APO) for works of Habitat Management and infrastructure development.

The PCCF adverted that allocation be fixed at Rs. 1867.80 lakh to be spent by the Wildlife Wing and balance amount of Rs. 250.00 lakh be spent on development of Hi-tech Nursery in Morni Forest Division.

The Committee considered and approved the proposal as per terms included in the Agenda.

(vii) Raising of Nurseries

The proposal was to include provision of Rs. 1500 lakh for raising 10 lakh Tall Plants and 70 lakh Polypot plants initially. The PCCF adverted that only 2.00 lakh Tall Plants (at the rate of Rs. 80 per Tall plant) and .6525 lakh Grafted Fruit Plants (at the rate of Rs. 40

per plant) are proposed to be got raised from the Research Wing of the department incurring an expenditure of Rs. 186.10 lakh.

The Committee considered and approved the proposal as per terms included in the Agenda.

(viii) Infrastructure for Forest Protection

The proposal to include provision of Rs. 1100 lakh for purchase and maintenance of vehicles/machineries for forest protection and buildings for front line staff was considered and approved as per terms included in Agenda.

(ix) Activities of Development Circle

The proposal to include provision of Rs. 555.90 for various activities of Research, Training and Publicity Divisions was considered and approved as per terms included in Agenda.

(x) Development of City Biodiversity Park cum Aravalli arboretum at Badkal Village in Faridabad District

The proposal to include provision of Rs. 100 lakh for development of Badkhal Lake was considered and dropped as this project is to be implemented by the Irrigation Department.

(xi) Development of City forest at Murthal, District Sonipat

The proposal to include provision of Rs. 100 lakh during 2018-19 was considered and approved as per the terms included in Agenda.

(xii) Development of Herbal Forest at Morni Hills.

This proposal had been recommended to be dropped by the Executive Committee. The PCCF averted that the development of Herbal Forest at Morni Hills is a CM announcement and Rs. 400.00 lakh are proposed to be spent out of the amount of Rs. 800.00 lakh on Solar Systems as approved at agenda item No. (ii).

The Committee considered and approved the proposal as per the terms included in the Agenda.

(xiii) Protection of Forest Areas in Urban and Peri-urban Areas

The proposal to include Rs. 200.00 lakh to be spent on Fencing, protection and development of Chakkarpur, Ghata etc. was considered and approved as per the terms included in the Agenda.

(xiv) Plantation of Tall Plants in linear and Block Forests.

The proposal to include a provision of Rs. 2250.50 lakh for plantation of Tall Plants (1800 RKM @ Rs. 87250 per RKM) and Fencing (400 RKM @ Rs. 1.70 lakh per RKM) was considered and approved as per the terms included in the Agenda.

(xv) Eco-Restoration in Aravalli Hills:-

The proposal to include a provision of Rs. 840.99 lakh for implementing protection model of Eco-Restoration in the Aravallis (over an area of 483 ha. @ Rs. 1.7412 lakh per ha.) was considered and approved as per the terms included in the Agenda.

(xvi) The Native Species plantation in degraded forests:-

The proposal to include a provision of Rs. 1480.39 lakh for plantation of native species (80 ha. @ Rs. 2.73 lakh per ha., 420 ha. @ Rs. 2.00 lakh per ha., installation of Tubewell/drip irrigation-42 Nos. @ Rs. 6.00 lakh and Fencing of 100 RKM @ Rs. 1.70 lakh per RKM) was considered and approved as per the terms included in the Agenda.

(xvii) Construction of Boundary Wall and interlocked tile path at Darpur Rest House

The proposal to include a provision of Rs. 60.00 lakh on construction of boundary wall and path was considered and dropped as per the terms included in the Agenda.

(xviii) Development of Hi-tech nursery infrastructure at Morni Forest Division

This proposal had been recommended to be dropped by the Executive Committee. The PCCF averted that the development of Herbal Forest at Morni Hills is a CM announcement and Rs. 250.00 lakh are proposed to be spent on development of Hi-tech Nursery out of the amount of Rs. 2117.80 lakh on works of Wildlife Wing as approved at agenda item No. (vi).

The Committee considered and approved the proposal as per the terms included in the Agenda.

The APO 2018-19 (as per Annexure with the Agenda) for Rs. 18595.73 lakh and additional APO for Rs. 1000.00 lakh as prepared as per MoEF & CC letter dated 10.04.2018 was approved.

Additional Agenda

- a. The proposal to include a provision of Rs. 34.18 lakh to be spent from interest accrued in State CAMPA account was approved as per the terms included in the Agenda.
- b. The proposal was to open a separate account of State CAMPA for depositing charges taken from User Agencies on account of Overheads, Harvesting of trees, Soil and Moisture Conservation etc.

This proposal was considered and disapproved as such charges can be deposited in the State CAMPA account itself.

Supplementary Agenda

A Project Proposal for development of World Herbal Forest at Morni Hills - in technical collaboration with Patanjali Yog Peeth, Haridwar - to be implemented over a period of 5 years (2018-19 to 2022-23) at a cost of Rs. 9366 lakh had been submitted to the Government for approval and allotment of funds. The Finance Department after consideration of the proposal has advised to explore the possibilities to execute the Project Proposal from State CAMPA funds.

The proposal of the Finance Department was considered by the Committee and it emerged that funds from State CAMPA can be made available to supplement the funding of the project of development of World Herbal Forest at Morni Hills on yearly basis as has been/is being done. But it may not be possible to fund the whole project on a long term basis as funds available under State CAMPA are limited to only 10% of the total funds of the State deposited in Adhoc- CAMPA account. The major funding of this project will have to be done from State Plan Scheme Budget only.

The Committee advised to convey to the Finance Department as per above.

At the conclusion, the Chairman advised that the funds against the APO 2018-19 should be got released expeditiously and utilized.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.