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Sanction Order No. 15/2018-19/FPD

F. No. 3-09/2007-FPD (Pt.)

Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Protection Division)5th Floor, Agni Wing,
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,
New Delhi - 110003
Dated: 26.09.2018

To,

The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
New Delhi.**Subject: Assistance to State Govt. of West Bengal for the Annual Plan Operation of financial year 2018-19 under the CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management - Release of 1st installment.**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the Annual Plan Operation for financial year 2018-19 of **State of West Bengal** to focus mainly on forest fire under **CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme**, at a total cost of **Rs. 199.23 lakhs** (excluding flexi funds) (Rupees One hundred ninety nine lakhs and twenty three thousand only) on 60%: 40% cost sharing basis as Central Share and State Share.

2. I am further directed to convey the approval of the competent authority for sanction of **Rs. 95.63 lakhs** (Rupees Ninety five lakhs and sixty three thousand only) (**80% of Central Share**) and **net release of Rs. 54.14 lakhs** (Rupees Fifty four lakhs and fourteen thousand only) as release of 1st installment of Annual Plan Operation 2018-19, **after adjusting an amount of Rs. 41.49 lakhs of AWP 2016-17 and ad-hoc released during 2017-18** under **CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme** to the **State of West Bengal during 2018-19**.

3. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 27. (Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change) under the following heads during Financial Year 2018-19 (Plan):

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs. In lakhs)
Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme	3601.06.101.01.03.31	48.16
Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme	3601.06.101.01.03.35	5.98
Unspent Balance available with the State of AWP 2016-17 and ad-hoc release 2017-18		41.49
TOTAL		54.14

4. The various works approved in the APO are to be executed as per the Sanctioned Schedule of Rates applicable in the area. The aforesaid amount may be spent in accordance with the Annual Plan of Operation sanctioned as given in **Annexure** and no deviation from the approved items of expenditure shall be made without prior concurrence of Government of India.

5. The money should be utilized only in the forest areas vulnerable to forest fires. In this regard, it is also advised to assess the vulnerability of forests to forest fire and to prepare the map of the same based on the degree of vulnerability to forest fire for focusing the works on priority basis.

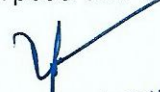
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6. This release amount is subject to adherence of following terms and conditions:

- i. The sanction is provisional and is subject to adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure.
- ii. State Government should make adequate Budget provision to contribute its share as per the revised funding pattern as communicated by the D/o Expenditure vide D.O. No. 32/PSO/FS/2015 dated 28.10.2015. The funding pattern (matching share of states) as per the category of states, is as below:

Category of States/UTs	Central Share	State hare
Union Territories	100%	0
NE states and Special category states of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand	90%	10%
Rest of the states	60%	40%

- iii. Strict economy should be observed so as to keep the actual expenditure to the minimum.
- iv. The works are to be executed as per the Sanctioned Schedule of Rates applicable in the area.
- v. The infrastructure created will be fully utilized for the purpose for which they have been sanctioned and all recurring cost in respect of all items sanctioned will be borne by the State Government.
- vi. Utilization of flexi funds as per M/o Finance, D/o Expenditure O. M. dated 06.09.2016.
- vii. The programme be monitored by State regularly and the quarterly progress report shall be submitted by the State on the progress of implementation of the scheme in format given in annexure – VII of operational guidelines of the scheme, for every quarter of the year.
- viii. The expenditure is incurred as per the allocation of funds
- ix. Payments are made by bank transfer and no cash payment is to be made.
- x. The GFRs 2017 is followed along with the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- xi. Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payments and CST in case of purchase of leviable goods are obtained along with Utilization Certificate and compliance of DBT scheme has to be ensured.
- xii. The payment for the engagement of labour for various works such as fire watchers, creation & maintenance of fire lines etc. should be made only through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) and the details of the same with the supporting documents should be submitted along with the utilization certificate and progress report.
- xiii. In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI of employees shall be furnished, wherever applicable.
- xiv. The UCs (as prescribed in GFR-19A), Progress Report along with satellite photographs of physical deliverables with date and latitude-longitude coordinates before and after implementation shall be submitted in time.
- xv. If the implementing agency does not use the fund for the purpose for which it was given, it has to refund the same with interest.
- xvi. There should not be any overlapping of activities under the scheme with the activities on going scheme of Central / State Govt.
- xvii. The fixed assets created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- xviii. A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by C&AG.


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- xix. The outcome of the money released under the scheme should be submitted as per the format given below:

Outcome	Indicator	Periodicity	Data Source/Method	Responsible Agency
1. Less fire incidences	Number of forest fires	Annual	Satellite data	FSI, Dehradun
2. Reduction in damage to forest resources	Total estimated area affected due to forest fire	Annual	Satellite data and Information from States/UTs	FSI, Dehradun and States/UTs
3. Capacity development for forest fire fighting	Number of field forest staff and members of JFMCs / villages trained.	Annual	State / UT forest departments	State / UT forest departments

- xx. **For the proposed infrastructure works including construction of water tanks, the location of the site along with the details of GPS location, estimate should be submitted to the this office within 15 days of receipt of this sanction order.**

- xxi. The State shall carryout the monitoring & evaluation of the works undertaken seriously and the proposal for 2nd installment should also include the details of mid-term monitoring & evaluation report, number of alerts, actual fire incidences and the losses due to the forest fire.

7. The accounts of the Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme 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, 1972 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.

8. In accordance with the revised procedure the Reserve Bank of India may please be advised to pass on the credit to the Central Accounts Section, Nagpur for transferring the funds to the accounts of Government of **West Bengal** and to debit the amount to the Account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi.

9. This sanction issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change vide their **Dy. No. P-98425 (AS&FA) dated 07.09.2018** under the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments.

Annexure: Approved Annual Plan Operation 2018-19

Yours faithfully

[Handwritten Signature]
27-09-18

(S. Elamurugannan)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FPD)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
2. The Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
3. The Secretary, Forests Department, Government of West Bengal, Kolkata.
4. The Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Central Accounts Section, Nagpur.
5. Director Audit, Scientific Deptt. AGCR Building, New Delhi.
6. Ministry of Finance, Deptt. of Expenditure, Plan Finance Division, New Delhi.
7. Sanction folder.

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Centrally Sponsored Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme (FPM)

Annual Plan Operation for the year 2018-19

Name of the State / UT : West Bengal

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Items	Proposed by State Govt.				Recommended by Division		Remarks
		Unit	Unit Cost	No. of Units	Total Cost	No. of Units	Total Cost	
1	Procurement of fire fighting equipments	-	-	-	0.00	-	0.00	
2	Controlled burning, fire line creation and maintenance	Km	0.07	620	43.40	620	43.40	
3	Creation of infrastructure (forest roads	Km	0.50	44	22.00	44	22.00	
4	Procurement of field vehicles for transportation of resources	Nos	-	-	0.00	-	0.00	
5	Soil & Moisture Conservation (SMC) work in High risk areas		-	-	0.00	-	0.00	
6	Engagement of fire watchers	Man month	0.0650	891	57.92	891	57.92	
7	Awareness campaign	-	-	-	0.00	-	0.00	
8	Pre-fire season workshops for coordination among line departments and elected bodies and NGOs	-	-	-	0.00	-	0.00	
9	Training and capacity building on fire fighting methods for Frontline staff, NGOs and village communities	Nos	2.00	26	52.00	26	52.00	
10	Incentivizing Villages/Communities for protection against forest fire, under the participatory forest management approach	JFMC	0.20	29	5.80	29	5.80	


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11	Any other items considered essential and as proposed in the scheme of the state or central government with the approval of Screening committee.				0.00	-	0.00	
	Total				181.12		181.12	
	Imprest Money (guidelines at Annexure-I) (5%)				9.06		9.06	
	Monitoring and review (guidelines at Annexure-II). 2%				3.62		3.62	
	Short term research/survey on forest fire related issues (guidelines at Annexure-III). 3%				5.43		5.43	
	Total				199.23		199.23	
	Flexi Fund (25%)				0.00		0.00	Not proposed by State Govt.
	Grand Total				199.23		199.23	

Central share (60%) : 119.54 lakhs
State share (40%) : 79.69 lakhs
Total : 199.23 lakhs

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Date: 24/12/2018

Memo No : 233(sanction)-For/FOR-13011(11)/14/2018-SECTION(FOR)-Dept. of Forest
Sanction-cum-Allotment Order

Demand No. : 23 Department Code : FR Financial Year : 2018 - 2019

1. Sanctioning Authority: JOINT SECRETARY

2. Name of the Scheme/Project: As per annexure enclosed

3. Purpose of Sanction: Forest Fire Prevention & management for 2018-19

i. Amount for which Administrative Approval has been obtained: Rs. 9023333

ii. Approved by : The Addl. Chief Secretary, Department of Forests.

5. Total Fund Sanctioned under this project/scheme till date: Rs. 0

6. Amount of this Financial Sanction : Rs. 9023333 (in words Rs. Ninety Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Three Only.)

7. Head(s) of Account(s): as per annexure enclosed

8. Name of the Sub-Allotting Authority / DDO: PCCF HOFF

9. Name of the Treasury/PAO:

10. This Order is not an authority to incur any expenditure which is not permitted under any financial rule and/or order of the Government or approved guideline of the Scheme/Project.

11. Under no circumstances the allotted amount placed under this sanction may be utilized / diverted for any other purposes

12. Whether Utilization Certificate required: Yes

13. Special Instruction, if any:

No. 6563/P&S(P)/3D-304 dt. 03/10/2018

14. Total released amount is within the Budget Provision of the above mentioned head of account during 2018 - 2019

15. This order issues in exercise of the power delegated under Finance Department Memo. No. 1872-F.B dated-26.03.2018, 1259-F.B. dated-29.11.2018 & 1260-F.B dated-29.11.2018 with the concurrence of Finance Deptt. vide Gr. N U.O. No. 2280 Date 17/12/2018


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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Principal Accountant General (A&E), Treasury Buildings, Kolkata-700001
2. The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Treasury Buildings, Kolkata-700001
3. The Principal Accountant General (Receipt, Works & Local Bodies Audit), CGO Complex at Salt Lake, Kolkata-700091
4. PCCF HOFF
5. The S.S.P. (Budget), Forests.


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Sub-Alloting Officer / DDO wise Alloted Amount Summary

Sl No.	Sub-Alloting Code / DDO Code Designation	Amount
1.	FR02001-PCCF HOFF	9,023,333.00
		9,023,333.00


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Annexure of Memo No- 233(sanction)-For/FOR-13011(11)/14/2018-SECTION(FOR)-Dept. of Forest Date- 24/12/2018

Allotment From Department - FR-Forests to - FR02001-PCCF HOFF

ID	Head of Account	Scheme Description	Object of Expenditure	Alloted Amount
465551	23-2406-01-101-004-50-00-V	Integrated Forest Protection Scheme (State Share)	Other Charges	3609333
465557	23-2406-01-102-031-50-00-V	Conservation of Natural Resources and Ecosystems (Central Share)	Other Charges	5414000
				9,023,333.00


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