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From:

Member Secretary,

State CAMPA Executive Committee –cum- Nodal Officer, State CAMPA & CF (CAT Plans), Talland, Shimla.

To:

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- Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild Life & CWLW), Shimla.
- 2. Addl. Pr. CCF (CAT & ES), Shimla.
- 3. CCF (Finance & Planning), Shimla.
- 4. Deputy controller (Finance & Accounts) O/o Pr. CCF, HP, Shimla.

Dated Shimla-1, the 26th November 2011

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Subject:

5th Meeting of Executive Committee of the "HP State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority (HP State CAMPA)".

Sir,

It is informed that the 5th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the "HP State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority (HP State CAMPA)" has been scheduled to be held today on 26th November 2011 at 4.00 PM in Conference Hall, Talland Complex, under the Chairpersonship of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, HP.

2. You are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the above-said meeting on the scheduled date and time. Agenda of the meeting is under completion process and will be circulated in the meeting please.

Yours fathfully,

Member Secretary (State CAMPA EC)
& Nodal Officer, State CAMPA,

-CAT Plans), Shimla.

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Copy, for favour of information, is forwarded to:-

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State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority (State CAMPA)- Himachal Pradesh

<u>Proceeding of the 5th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the 'HP State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority</u>

(State CAMPA)' held ob 26th November 2011 at Shimla

The 5th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the HP State CAMPA was held on 26-11-2011 at 4.00 PM under the chairmanship of the Pr. CCF(HP) at the HPFD Headquarters, Shimla. The following were present:

- 1)Sh. J.S.Walia, APCCF(CAT&ES), HP FD Shimla
- 2)Sh.Sanjeeva Pandey, CCF(FD), HP FD Shimla
- 3) Sh.S amsher Negi, CCF(T&E), HP FD Shimla
- 4)Sh. Tejinder Singh, CCF(WP) HP FD Shimla-special invitee
- 5) Sh.Surinder Kumar, CCF(F&P) HP FD Shimla
- 6)Sh.Rajiv Kumar, Member Secretary,EC State CAMPA-cum-CF(CAT PLAN) and Nodal Officer, State CAMPA
- 7) Dr. Sushil Kapta, DFO (CAT PLAN) HP FD Shimla-special invitee

The member Secretary welcomed the Chairperson and members to the meeting. It was decided by the Committee that, due to shortage of time, with the permission of the Chair, only, the agenda items to be taken up for discussion and decision in the **7**th Steering Committee Meeting of the State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Authority(State CAMPA) be discussed in the Meeting. The Action Taken Report on the decisions of the 4th EC Meeting will be discussed separately in the 6th Meeting of the Executive Committee.

The Agendas were presented in the following order for perusal, discussion and suggestion of the members;

- 1) Action Taken Report on the 6th Steering Committee Meeting held on 1st June 2011 was placed for perusal of the Executive Committee. <u>The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee</u>.
- 2) Progress reports under NPV, CA, CAT plans, Rim Plantation scheme, Wild life Schemes and Soil and Water Conservation plan for 2011-12:

The progress reports of the works executed against the APOs of NPV, CA, CAT plans, Rim plantation scheme, Wild life schemes and Soil and Water Conservation plan for the year 2011-12 were placed at Annexure—III (a to f) for perusal of the Executive Committee.

The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

3) Schemes, Soil and Water Conservation Plan and Reclamation Plan for 2012-13 APOs under NPV, CA, CAT plans, RIM Plantation, Wild life

The proposed APOs for the year 2012-13, were placed at Annexure-IV (a to g) (pages 16-23) for perusal and approval.

The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

4): Additional demand for funds from Adhoc CAMPA, MOEF, GOI

Against Rs. 57.13 crore required to be released to HP State CAMPA for the year 2011-12, the release is only Rs. 45.19 crore in end August 2011. Letter dated 23.8.2011, stands received from MOEF/GOI advising that the State Government may submit an additional APO for the year 2011-12 for the remaining amount i.e. additional Rs. 12.05 crore.

Points for consideration: APO stands proposed for an additional Rs. 12.05 crore to be released from the Adhoc MPA, to the HP State CAMPA with the following activities covered **(See APO annexed, Annexure V, page 25).** The activities proposed under the additional APO of Rs. 12.05 crore under NPV was placed for approval.

The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

5)Financial support to ICFRE to organize the 1st Indian Forest Congress

Issue: Financial support was requested by ICFRE, Dehradun on behalf of MoEF, Gol to organize 1st Indian Forest Congress at New Delhi. The central theme of the Congress was "Forests in a changing world" and one its main themes was "Forests and Society".

Points for consideration: Rs. 5.00 lakhs contribution was approved as financial assistance for 1st Indian Forest Congress to be held at New Delhi from 22-25 November, 2011 under NPV APO for 2011-12. The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

6): Approval for hiring of taxis for CAT and Soil Branches

Issue: In the 6th Steering Committee meeting of HP State CAMPA held on 1st June, 2011 at Shimla under the Chairpersonship of Chief Secretary to GoHP, the matter regarding procurement of vehicles was taken up under agenda item No. 6.3 and the suggestion mooted by HPFD for provision of in kind procurement or through purchase of new vehicles. It was intimated that two Ambassador Cars, HP51-0940 and HP-03-2945, stood condemned and auctioned during 2010-11. The Chairperson stated that the policy in vogue stipulated hiring of vehicles instead of purchase even when these are to be replacement vehicles.

Points for consideration: Against replacement vehicles 3 taxis have been procured for use in the CAT wing (For CF CAT and for DCF CAT) and in the Soil branch (for CF Soil) (Annexure VII page 29) after getting approval from the Executive Committee. The officers without vehicles could not perform satisfactorily their assignments which involve lot of field touring, especially monitoring of progress of works. The HPFD had no spare vehicle to be provided to them. Accordingly permission was sought to

hire taxis on lease basis as per guidelines/instructions of the GAD providing for rates on hire on monthly basis as per Governmental approved norm. The expenditure will be incurred against contingency and the interest accrued in the bank accounts of State CAMPA funds.

Decision required: The above approval was placed for perusal so as to get it ratified from the Steering Committee.

The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

7): Provision of support for the monkey sterilization program in the State:

Issue: 10, a meeting held under the Chairmanship of Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests) to GoHP dated 15.11.2011, to review the monkey sterilization program in HP, a decision was taken to immediately provide Rs. 5.00 crore from HP State CAMPA, to initiate the process of setting up/upgrading the existing veterinary facilities in the State, for their conversion into Monkey Sterilization Centres and upscale the Monkey Sterilization Program in the State.

Points for consideration:

- (I) The provision of Rs. 5.00 crore is being made as under:
 - a) A sum of Rs. 2.5 crore from the approved APO of NPV for the year 2011-12 (by withholding certain activities.
 - b) A sum of Rs. 2.5 crore from the approved APO of WL schemes for the year 2011-12 (by withholding certain activities.

(Details are at Annexure VIII, p. 31-33)

- (II) Monkey Sterilization Programme to control overpopulation of monkeys is broadly covered under the Aims and Objectives of HP State CAMPA.
- (III) It is submitted for information that the HP State CAMPA Steering Committee decided a 5% allocation under the component of Bio-diversity Protection and Management amongst the various components of NPV. It was specified that NPV funds for Wildlife activities are meant only for the Protected Area Network and are to be spent in such areas where no CAT Plan/other CAMPA funds are to be spent.
- (IV) As per the decisions taken in the 6th meeting of the Steering Committee of HP State CAMPA, it was decided (6.4 a) that NPV activities need to be revisited on year to year basis, to make these need based while keeping the core principles of CAMPA central, i.e. protection and management of forests and wildlife. It was mentioned that the component-wise percentages should be kept flexible and not fixed as was approved earlier by the Steering Committee. Accordingly, flexibility exists for the required earmarking and making provision of Rs. 5.00 crore, for monkey sterilization programme as directed.

- (V) Provision of Rs. 5.00 crore funds, as directed, have been made from the NPV funds rather than imposing cuts under CAT Plans, CA and Wildlife activities, as these are need based and area specific and directly benefit the local communities. This provision constitutes a deviation from the approved APOs of NPV and WL Schemes under CAMPA and hence is required to be approved in this 7th HP State CAMPA Steering Committee (1st December, 2011).
- (VI) To meet the shortfall of Rs. 5.00 crore (being diverted towards monkey sterilization programme) additional APO for 2011-12 stands framed and Ad-hoc CAMPA, MoEF, GoI requested for release of additional funds for the current year.

Decision required: The above arrangement was placed for the perusal and approval of the agenda by the Executive Committee.

The agenda was perused and approved for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

8) Comprehensive River Basin CAT Plans and individual project specific CAT Plans:

Issue: The Comprehensive River Basin CAT Plan for River Satluj was awarded to M/s NERIL, Pune, in April, 2009 for Rs. 1.8 crores with the stipulation that it would be completed by September, 2010. Constant revisions were undertaken. Finally, after a presentation on 16.11.2011 (Annexure IX, Page 36) in Talland Conference Hall, the final CCP report/document was made available by the consultant, and the SCIS software prepared by the firm, was also on view. Minor revisions are being incorporated in both the final report and also the software package and both resources shall be available to the HPFD and other Stakeholder departments/agencies for further use.

The work of Comprehensive River Basin for the other Rivers namely, Beas (M/s NERIL, Pune), Chenab (M/s R.S. Envirolink Technologies, Gurgaon), Ravi (M/s JPS Associates Pvt. Ltd., Delhi), stands contracted for Rs. 1.23 crores [3.2 (f) and 3.6.5 of the 3rd Steering Committee meeting under HP State CAMPA held on 19.11.2010] with the output expected during mid 2012.

Points for consideration: A daylong stakeholders' consultation workshop on the preparation and implementation of CAT Plans was organized by the Himachal Pradesh Forest Department in collaboration with the Himachal Pradesh Power Producers Forum on 3rd November, 2011 at Shimla. The stakeholders present were prominently from the energy, power, forest departments inclusive of IPPs, resource persons/consultants and others. The prominent issues that evolved during discussion in the workshop held on 3rd Nov.2011 and the recommendations accepted are annexed (Annexure X, Pages 37-39).

Decision required: The HP State CAMPA Steering Committee has to approve the following:-

 MoEF, GoI needs to be brought on board to enable funds received from individual project specific CAT Plans to be transferred to other areas, along the river basin, requiring urgent attention, not necessarily in the drainage portion of the HEP and also at times not in the catchment area of the project Many hydel projects are located in remote, in-accessible terrain or very near other hydel projects and thus, hardly have any CAT Plan treatable area. This lead to problems in spending of funds collected from the developer. Only such funds that are left in balance and cannot be spent in the catchment area should be transferred to Comprehensive River basin Cat Plans (Prepared or under preparation). Go-ahead may kindly be given.

- 2. Old CAT Plans prepared, did not follow departmental norms prescribed and they generally had higher norms. Subsequently, decision was taken in the HPFD to ensure that all CAT Plans would follow departmental norms both during implementation and also envisaged for the future. This has resulted in availability of unspent funds which needs to be diverted judiciously. It is suggested that these balance funds be allowed to be put in the kitty of River Basin Comprehensive CAT Plans for effective utilization. This may kindly be allowed.
- 3. HPFD needs to approach GOI MoEF to allow the project developers to deposit CAT Plan funds, as approved by the State, in instalments (as per the approved individual CAT Plans), i.e. CAT Plan funds may be deposited in equal annual instalments with last instalment due six months before commissioning of project. GOI stance (conveyed by ADG MOEF during his tour to Shimla) that total CAT plan fund should be taken from the Developer, in one go, needs relaxation.
- 4. Guidelines for specific, individual CAT Plan preparation are put up for approval (Annexure XI, Pages: 40 48). This would go a long way to enable CAT plans to be written faster, meeting desired standards by resource persons identified (Panel of experts/institutions stands already drawn up in the HPFD).

The agenda was perused and approved by the Executive Committee for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

9a) Assistance of Office Staff for State CAMPA office on contract basis:

Issue: Two number Computer Operators –cum- Office Assistants were engaged on annual contract from DOEACC Society, Shimla (Government approved source) from 1.9.2010 to 31.8.2011, as approved by the Steering Committee of HP State CAMPA in its 1st meeting held on 26.10.2009.

Points for consideration: The above arrangement needs to be continued, especially since workload under HP State CoMPA continues to increase. The annual contract which lapsed on 31.8.2011 needs to be carried forward for another year. The approximate expenditure involved would be around Rs. 2.5 lakh per annum for the contractual staff that would be hired from Government approved DOEACC Society, Shimla. The expenditure would be met from the interest accrued on CAMPA funds.

Decision required: The above proposal may be perused and approved.

The agenda was perused and approved by the Executive Committee for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

9b) Expenditure on State CAMPA office from interest accrued on State CAMPA funds:

Issue: To facilitate working of the HP State CAMPA office, some computer hardware and office equipment is required.

Points for consideration: The following items are required in the HP State CAMPA office:

Sr. no.	Name of item	Quantity	Amount
			(Rs. in lakh)
1.	Laptop Computer(Dell make)	1 No.	0.60
2.	Tablets(Apple)	3 No.	1.20
3.	Printer (Bizhub 164 Konica Minolta)	1 Nos.	0.40
4.	Printer(HP Make)	2 nos.	0.40
5.	Projector (Sony)	1 No.	0.50
6.	Photocopiers (heavy duty with ADF/ RDF)	2 Nos.	2.00
7.	Fax Machine	2 Nos.	0.25
8.	APC UPS 1 KVA	2 Nos.	0.20
9.	TATA Photon Plus	2 Nos.	0.20
10.	Furniture(Godrej make) for CAT Plan Office	1 office chair and 6 visitor chairs	0.50
	Total		6.10

This would involve an approximate expenditure of Rs. 6.10 lakh and the funding shall be met with from the interest accrued on State CAMPA funds.

Decision: The procurement of articles proposed may kindly be perused and approved.

The agenda was perused and approved by the Executive Committee for forwarding to the Steering Committee.

10) AGENDA ITEM: Any Other item with the permission of the chair:

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

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Chairperson, H.P. State CAMPA Executive Committee

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, H.P.

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