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### Jammu & Kashmir Forest Department Office of the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF Government of Jammu & Kashmir



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The Chief Conservator of Forests, Central o/o PCCF & HoFF, J&K.  
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No.PCCF/CAMPA/2020-21/1123/1327-1336

Dated: 17.11.2020

Sub: Guidance for drawing APO for 2021-22 – regarding.

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of communication D.O. No.NA-1/47/2020-NA dated 27 October 2020 received from Chief Executive Officer, National Authority, enclosing a copy of the D.O. Letter written by Hon'ble Union Minister, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi regarding utilization of State CAMPA Funds vis-à-vis framing of Annual Plan of Operations for 2021-22.

2) It is requested to advise the implementing agencies under your administrative control to keep in view the instructions in the said communication while preparing the APO for FY 2021-22.

Yours faithfully,

(Sarvesh Rai) IFS

Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests/  
Chief Executive Officer (CAMPA)

Copy to Sr. Private Secretary with PCCF & HoFF for kind information of the worthy Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, J&K.

File No.NA-1/47/2020-NA



Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
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Dated 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

To,

1. The Chief Secretary, All State Governments/UT Administration (Except Nagaland, Puducherry and Lakshadweep);
2. The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary, Department of Forests, All State Governments/UT Administration (Except Nagaland, Puducherry and Lakshadweep);
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) cum Chairman, Executive Committee State CAMPA, All State Governments/UT Administration (Except Nagaland, Puducherry and Lakshadweep).

Subject: Guidance for drawing APO for 2021-22-regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to draw your attention on above cited subject matter and to enclose a copy of DO letter written by Hon'ble Minister, Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India to Hon'ble Chief Ministers/ Lieutenant Governors of all States/UTs regarding utilization of State CAMPA Funds vis-à-vis framing of Annual Plan of Operations for 2021-22. In this regard, you are requested to take necessary action while formulating Annual Plan of Operations (APO) for financial year 2021-22.

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Yours faithfully

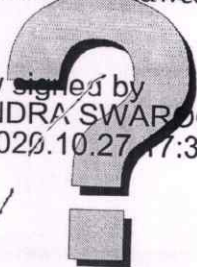
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(Brijendra Swaroop)  
Dy. Chief Executive Officer

Copy to:

The Chief Executive Officer, All State CAMPA (Except Nagaland, Puducherry and Lakshadweep)

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सूचना एवं प्रसारण और  
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प्रकाश जावडेकर  
*Prakash Jawadekar*

D.O. No. NA-1/47/2020-NA

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

Dear Shri Manoj Sinha ji,

I would like to draw your attention to ensuring the use of State CAMPA funds primarily for afforestation and related activities. I have reiterated such guidance in successive meetings of State Forest Ministers on 17.08.2020, 30.11.2019 and 29.08.2019, and have impressed upon them to take necessary steps in this regard so that CAMPA funds are not used as substitute to normal State budget for the forestry and wildlife sector.

2. The sole purpose of collecting the compensatory levies that constitute CAMPA funds and the spirit of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Act 2016 is to make up for the loss of trees, forest land, wildlife and ecological services on account of diversion of forest land for non-forestry purposes.

3. In the State Forest Ministers' meeting on 17.8.2020, I have reiterated that 80% of State CAMPA fund should be used for activities related to development of forest and wildlife (e.g. regeneration through afforestation and ancillary activities, restoration of degraded areas, catchment area treatment, wildlife habitat improvement, etc.) and only the remaining 20% should be utilised for strengthening of forest and wildlife related infrastructure and capacity building of personnel involved in utilisation of State Fund as envisioned in Rule 5 of the CAF Rules, 2018. It has, however, been noticed in the Annual Plans of Operations submitted by State CAMPA that invariably large items of expense on vehicle, building, general surveys, and infrastructure-related works are included projecting them as work related to forest and wildlife management. It is to be noted that there should be no ambiguity in the interpretation of the CAF Rules by the State authorities.

4. As regards carrying out innovative pilot projects related to forest and wildlife management, which a State is not able to fund from its own resources, may be funded under 40% of the interest component. However, these projects should be clearly based on innovative ideas and latest technologies.

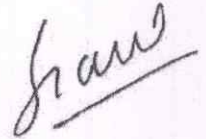
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5. Given the vast area of degraded forests in the country, it is prudent that on-the-ground activities of restoration of loss of trees, wildlife, forest land and ecosystem services remains prime objective of CAMPA funds. Other activities/programmes/schemes of forest and wildlife management that are the routine mandate of State Forest Department should continue to be funded with State Plan or other Centrally Sponsored schemes. While fixing the allocation to forest in the State budget this principle needs to be followed strictly, which also means that the size of the State forestry and wildlife plan budget should follow a proportionate increase in the annual overall budget size of the State. May I request that as Chairperson of the State CAMPA Authority and also the head of State Government, you will take necessary and appropriate action in the above regard. A line of confirmation would be deeply appreciated.

With regards,

**Shri Manoj Sinha**  
Lieutenant Governor,  
Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir,  
Raj Bhavan, Srinagar,  
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(Prakash Javadekar)