

**Minutes of meeting held on 04.07.2019 in PCCF Office, Srinagar under Chairmanship of Sh. Suresh Chugh, PCCF, J&K to discuss modalities regarding implementation of Environment Management Plan including Compensatory Afforestation and Biodiversity Management Plan**

List of participants is placed as annexure-A.

1. PCCF welcomed the participants and gave an overview of the execution of works under CAMPA scheme. He underscored the urgency in executing the works in accordance with the directions of Forest Advisory Committee, Wildlife Board and also the plan submitted at the time of approval of the project.
2. Sh. S.H. Zargar, Chief General Manager, CVPP gave details of funds deposited by NHPC under different components, namely, Environment Management Plan, Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value. He informed that an amount of Rs. 236.00 crore (including 100.00 crore Corpus fund) has been deposited by CVPP for execution of wildlife conservation related works. He emphasized on the need to utilize these funds for the purpose for which the funds have been deposited. They are expected to show some progress in this regard to the authorities concerned.
3. Wildlife Warden, Kishtwar, gave a presentation on Wildlife Mitigation Plan prepared by Wildlife Protection Department in consultation with the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun. Discussions were held on different components of the plan. Worthy PCCF directed Wildlife Protection Department to ensure that there is no duplication of works under different components. Regional Wildlife Warden was directed to prepare Annual Plan of Operations which should include provision for delineation of Boundaries of Kishtwar High Altitude National Park, provision for Habitat Improvement and Veterinary hospital for wildlife (preferably at Kishtwar). It was decided that areas adjoining Kishtwar High Altitude National Park, which fall in Eco-sensitive Zone, should be taken up for habitat improvement. In broader interest of wildlife protection, provisions for development of Rescue centre for injured wild animals at Kishtwar and for dealing with the issues of man-animal conflict and eco-development of the areas should be kept.

4. CF Chenab gave a presentation on Catchment area treatment Plan. PCCF directed that a prospective plan of five years for Compensatory Afforestation of the catchment area, upstream of the dam site, should be prepared. It was further decided that financial ceiling be restricted to the amount deposited under CA. Only locally growing tree species are to be planted. Soil and moisture conservation works are also proposed. CF Chenab was directed to improve the plan accordingly, and submit it by the end of July' 2019.
5. Chief General Manager, CVPP informed that they have kept an outlay of Rs. 10.00 crore, which has gone up to now Rs. 18.00 crore, for Biodiversity conservation. It was decided in the meeting that a plan of Bio-Diversity Park should be prepared by both Divisional Forest Officers of Marwah and Kishtwar Divisions, in consultation with authorities of CVPP. A committee of officers headed by CF Chenab shall be formed for selection of site for Bio-diversity park. The selected site should be a large forest area, preferably around Kishtwar town, so that people of the area and students can get benefits of such efforts. The Biodiversity park shall focus on in-situ conservation of biodiversity and should include large number of species of the Kishtwar/ Marwah Division. The services of consultants shall be hired by department for developing a high standard biodiversity park.
6. It was further decided that the plan for raising of plants in nurseries, including provision for Hi-Tech Nurseries, shall be prepared and submitted to CVPP. The funds would be provided by CVPP from Biodiversity Conservation Plan. The Plan for raising of Nursery shall lay special emphasis on Nursery techniques, medicinal Plants and Conservation of Rare, Endangered and Threatened Taxa. The funds shall be released by CVPP as per Plan.
7. For **Keru and Kwar HEP**, which fall in Kishtwar Forest Division, it was decided that in view of small amount available under Compensatory Afforestation, a prospective plan for only three years should be prepared by Divisional Forest Officer concerned, limited to the funds deposited under CA, with more provision for first year for raising of plants. The areas of treatment should be upstream degraded areas, with major portion devoted to plantation activities, and some part on soil and moisture

conservation activities. PCCF directed that such a plan should be prepared in consultation with the CVVP Officials/ Consultants. DFO Kishtwar was directed to submit the plan by end of July' 2019.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

  
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Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests/  
**Chief Executive Officer CAMPA**

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1. Commissioner/ Secretary to Govt., Forest, Environment & Ecology Deptt. Civil Secretariat, Srinagar.
2. APCCF/ Chief Wildlife Warden, Wildlife Protection Department, Srinagar.
3. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
4. Chief Conservator of Forests, FCA.
5. Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle, Doda.
6. Chief General Manager, Chenab Valley Power Project.
7. Regional Director, Wildlife Protection Department
8. DFO Kishtwar Forest Division.
9. DFO Marwah Forest Division.
10. Pvt. Secretary to Pr. CCF for kind information to worthy Pr. CCF, J&K.

**List of participants:-**

1. Sh. Suresh Chugh IFS, PCCF J&K
2. Sh. Sarvesh Rai IFS, Addl. PCCF J&K
3. Sh. K Ramesh Kumar IFS, CCF Projects and Planning, PCCF Office
4. Sh. Sat Paul IFS, Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle Doda
5. Sh. Tahir Shawl, Regional Director, Wildlife Protection Department
6. Sh. Bishan Das Thakur, DFO Kishtwar
7. Sh. Vijay Kumar, DFO Marwah
8. Sh. Majid Kitchloo, Wildlife Warden Kishtwar
9. Sh. S.H. Zargar, Chief General Manager, CVPP
- 10 .Dr. Sayeed Khan, Consultant of CVPP
- 11 .Sh. Ravi Sharma, Consultant CVPP
- 12 .Sh. Naseer Ganai, Environmentalist, CVPP