

F. No. 3-31/2007-FPD (Pt.)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Protection Division)

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Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,
New Delhi – 110003
Dated: 05.02.2020

To,
The Pay & Accounts Officer,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
New Delhi.

Subject: Assistance to UT of Jammu & Kashmir for the Annual Plan of Operation of financial year 2019-20 under the CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management – Release of 1st installment.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to convey the administrative approval of the Annual Plan of Operation for financial year 2019-20 of **UT of Jammu & Kashmir** under **CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme**, at a total cost of **Rs. 136.07 Lakh** (excluding flexi funds) (Rupees One hundred thirty six Lakh and seven thousand only) on 100%: 0% cost sharing basis as Central Share and State / UT Share respectively.

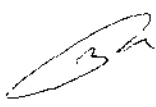
2. The undersigned is further directed to convey the approval of the competent authority for sanction of **unspent balance of Rs. 135.87 Lakh** (Rupees One hundred thirty five Lakh and eighty seven thousand only) of **APO of 2016-17 and ad-hoc released amount of 2017-18** against APO **2019-20**.

3. The various works approved in the Annual Plan of Operation (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.

4. This release amount is to be utilized subject to adherence of following terms and conditions:

- The sanction is provisional and is subject to adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure.
- 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 Share
Union Territories	100%	0


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NE states and Special category states of Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir and Uttarakhand	90%	10%
Rest of the states	60%	40%

- iii. A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by C&AG.
- iv. The GFRs 2017 is followed along with the economic instructions issued by Government of India from time to time.
- v. Payments are to be made by bank transfer and no cash payment is made.
- vi. 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.
- vii. In case of employment through contract, copy of PF & ESI of employees shall be furnished, wherever applicable.
- viii. 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.
- ix. 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.
- x. Strict economy should be observed so as to keep the actual expenditure to the minimum. The works are to be executed as per the Sanctioned Schedule of Rates applicable in the area.
- xi. The expenditure is to be incurred as per the allocation of funds. 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.
- xii. There should not be any overlapping of activities under the scheme with the activities on going scheme of Central / State Govt.
- xiii. The programme is to 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.
- xiv. 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.
- xv. For the proposed infrastructure works including construction of water tanks, the location of the site along with the details of GPS location submitted to this office.
- xvi. The fixed assets created out of this grant shall not be disposed off without concurrence of this Ministry.
- xvii. 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
Less fire incidences	Number of forest fires	Annual	Satellite data	FSI, Dehradun

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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
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

xviii. The State shall carryout the monitoring & evaluation of the works undertaken 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 may be submitted to this office.

5. 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, 1971 and internal audit party by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry whenever it is called upon.

6. 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 **UT of Jammu & Kashmir** and to debit the amount to the Account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi.

7. This sanction issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change vide their **Dy. No. P-46198(AS&FA) dated 27.01.2020** under the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments.

Yours faithfully

Annexure: Approved Annual Plan Operation 2019-20.


(H. K. Meena)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), UT of Jammu & Kashmir, Jammu.
2. The Secretary, Department of Finance, UT of Jammu & Kashmir, Jammu.
3. The Secretary, Forests Department, UT of Jammu & Kashmir, Jammu.
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. AS&FA, MoEF&CC.
8. Consultant (IT), MoEF&CC (for uploading on Ministry's Website)
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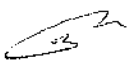
Centrally Sponsored Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme (FPM)

Approved Annual Plan Operation for the year 2019-20

Name of the State / UT : Jammu & Kashmir

(Rs. in Lakh)

S. No.	Items	Approved APO			
		Unit	Unit Cost	No. of Units	Total Cost
1	Procurement of fire fighting equipments	LS			13.75
2	Controlled burning, fire line creation and maintenance				
(a)	Creation / construction of permanent fire line 10 mtrs in width with standard specification	Km	0.29250	91.4	26.73
(b)	Maintenance of permanent fire line 10 mtrs in width of standard	Km	0.14625	42	6.14
(c)	Construction of inspection path 1.5 mtrs wide with standard specification	Km	0.45221	6	2.71
(d)	Construction of inspection path 1.0 mtrs wide with standard specification	Km	0.36971	14	5.18
3	Creation of infrastructure (communication system, development of Management Information System, watch towers, forest roads, water storage structures, control rooms at Division & Range level, , FG barracks and inspection huts etc)				
(a)	Water Storage Structure	LS		10	5.40
(b)	Running cost of control at divisional level	Nos	0.3	29	8.70
(c)	Running cost of control room at divisional level	Nos	0.15	91	13.65
4	Procurement of field vehicle for transporation of resources				
(a)	Transporation of resources				5.33
5	Soil & Moisture Conservation (SMC) work in High Risk Areas				
(a)	DSRM Work	Cum		128	1.42
6	Engagement of fire watchers	Per day	0.0033	7025	23.18


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 Jammu & Kashmir
 Srinagar
 Date: _____
 Mr. _____, Forest Officer (Range)
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7	Awareness campaign	LS	0.2	33	6.60
8	Pre- fire season workshops of coordination among line Departments and elected bodies and NGO's	Nos	0.15	16	2.40
9	Training and capacity building on fire fighting methods for frontline staff, NGO's and village communities	LS		5	2.50
	Total				123.70
	Imprest Money (guidelines at Annexure-I) (5%)				6.18
	Monitoring and review (guidelines at Annexure-II). 2%				2.47
	Short term research/survey on forest fire related issues (guidelines at Annexure-III). 3%				3.71
	Total				136.07
	Flexi Fund (25%)*				0.00
	Grand Total				136.07
	* Not proposed by UT				

Central share (100%) : 136.07 Lakh
UT share (40%) : 0.00 Lakh
Total : 136.07 Lakh

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