

**Sanction Order No. 48/2023-24/FPD**

F. No. 3-15/2007-FPD (Pt. 3)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Protection Division)

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New Delhi – 110003  
Dated: 13.02.2024

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

**Subject: Assistance to State Govt. of Chhattisgarh for the Annual Plan Operation (SCSP Works) during 2023-24 under the CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management – Release of 2<sup>nd</sup> installment.**

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's letter of even number dated 08.08.2023 (copy enclosed), I am directed to convey the approval of competent authority for sanction and release of **Rs. 0.46 lakhs (Rupees Forty six thousand only)** (as per the availability of funds) as the **release of 2<sup>nd</sup> installment** of Central Share of Approved Annual Plan Operation (SCSP Works) during 2023-24 under Centrally Sponsored: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme to the **State Government of Chhattisgarh**, subject to the condition that the State Government on 60%: 40% cost sharing basis as Central Share and State Share.


2. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 28. (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) under the following Heads during Financial Year 2023-24 (Plan):

| Scheme                                     | Budget Head          | Amount (Rs. in Lakh) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme | 3601.06.789.01.03.35 | 0.46                 |
|  | <b>TOTAL</b>         | <b>0.46</b>          |

3. The various works 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 Plan 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 subject to adherence of the terms and conditions mentioned in this Ministry's letter of even number dated 08.08.2023.**

5. Further, State should ensure that the all the payments should be made only through Aadhar based Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) for target based delivery of benefits and submit a certificate that all payments were done by using Aadhar Payment Bridge (APB) along with the Utilization Certificate and Progress Report.

  
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Min. of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
भारत सरकार, नई दिल्ली  
Govt. of India, New Delhi

6. 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.

7. 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 **Chhattisgarh** and to debit the amount to the Account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi.

8. This issues with the concurrence of Internal Finance Division vide their **Dy. No. E-138344 dated 27.07.2023 under** the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments.

Yours faithfully

(Dr. Shobhita Agarwal)

**Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FPD)**

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
2. The Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
3. The Secretary, Forests Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
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. PPS to AS&FA, MoEF&CC
8. Consultant (IT), MoEF&CC (for uploading on Ministry's website)
9. Sanction folder.