



ABSTRACT

Forests - Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) – Implementation of Forest Fire Prevention and Management Scheme during the year 2023-2024 – Administrative sanction of Rs.1983.97 lakh accorded and release of Rs.496.00 lakh as 1st installment- Sanction Orders issued.

ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTS (FR.6) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (D) No. 229

Dated: 28.11.2023

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Read:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Ref.No. PV1/21500/2023, Dated: 13.09.2023.
2. The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (FPD), New Delhi, F.No.3-27/2007-FPD (pt.2), Dated: 08.11.2023.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Ref.No. PV1/21500/2023, Dated: 15.11.2023.

ORDER:-

In the letter first read above, the Annual Plan of Operation for implementation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme – Forest Fire Prevention and Management Scheme in Tamil Nadu at a cost of Rs.5817.390 lakhs was forwarded to Government of India for approval of the Annual Plan of Operation for 2023-24 under Forest Fire Prevention and Management scheme.

2. The Government of India in their letter second read above have conveyed their administrative approval for the Annual Plan of operation for implementation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme “**Forest Fire Prevention and Management**” scheme for the financial year 2023-24 at a cost of Rs.1983.97 lakhs (Rupees One thousand nine hundred and eighty three lakh and ninety seven thousand only) on 60% : 40% cost sharing basis as Central share and State share and released a sum of Rs.297.60 lakhs (Rupees Two hundred ninety-seven lakh and sixty thousand only) (25% of Central share) (Release of Rs.289.41 lakh of Annual Plan of Operation 2023-24 + unspent balance amount of Rs.8.19 lakh of 2021-2022) as 1st installment of Annual Plan of operation 2023-2024.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) in his letter third read above has stated that accordingly, the Central share and State share would be as follows:-

Central share	:	Rs.1190.38 lakh	
		(60%)	
State share	:	Rs.793.59 lakh	
		(40%)	-----
Total	:	Rs.1983.97 lakh	-----

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) has therefore requested the Government for administrative sanction of Rs.1983.97 lakhs and release the 1st installment amount of Rs.496.00 lakhs towards implementation of the scheme during 2023-2024 as follows:-

Share	Amount sanctioned by GOI	Release made by GOI 25% of sanction	Sanction to be accorded by State Govt.	As per GOI released as 1 st installment of 25% of sanction accorded by State Govt.
Central Share (60%)	1190.38	297.60 (release of Rs.289.41 lakh of APO 2023-2024 + unspent balance of Rs.8.19 lakh)	1190.38	297.60
State Share (40%)	793.59	-	793.59 (including unspent balance of Rs. 5.45 lakh)	198.40
Total	1983.97	297.60	1983.97	496.00

5. The Government have carefully examined the request of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai and decided to accord administrative sanction of Rs.1983.97 lakhs (Government of India share Rs.1190.38 lakh + State Government share Rs.793.59 lakh) and release a sum of Rs.496.00 lakh (Rupees Four Crore Ninety Six lakh only) Central scheme Rs. 297.60 lakh including unspent amount of Rs. 8.19 lakh of 2021-22 and State share Rs. 198.40 lakh including unspent amount of Rs. 5.45 lakh of Annual Plan of Operation 2021-22 (25%) as the first installment for implementing the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Forest Fire Prevention and Management Scheme during the

financial year 2023-2024, subject to the condition that the amount should be spent in accordance with the Annual Plan of Operation sanctioned as given in the Annexure to this order and no deviation from the approved items of expenditure shall be made without prior concurrence of Government of India and the proposal for second installment should also include the details of midterm monitoring and evaluation report, number of alerts, actual fire incidences and the losses due to the forest fire.

6. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above shall be debited under the following head of account:

(i) Central Share:-

“4406 Capital Outlay on Forestry and Wildlife – 01 Forestry 800 Other Expenditure - Schemes shared between State and Centre – UA Integrated Forest Protection – Fire Management - 416 Major works – 01 – Major Works.

(IFHRMS DPC 4406 01 800 UA 41601)- for Rs.2,97,60,000/-

(ii) State Share:-

“4406 Capital Outlay on Forestry and Wildlife – 01 Forestry - 800 Other Expenditure - Schemes shared between State and Centre – UB Integrated Forest Protection – Fire Management - State Share - 416 Major works – 01 – Major Works.

(IFHRMS DPC 4406 01 800 UB 41601)- for Rs.1,98,40,000/-

7. Necessary additional funds of Rs. 3,91,40,000/- will be provided in RE/FMA 2023-24. Pending provision of funds in RE/FMA – 2023-24, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para – 5 above to the Single Nodal Bank Account of the concerned (Single Nodal Agency) as details given below. However, this expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by Specific Inclusion in the Supplementary Estimate 2023-24. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai is also directed to include this item of expenditure while sending the budget proposal for RE/FMA 2023-24 and also send necessary draft explanatory note for inclusion of the expenditure in the Supplementary Estimate 2023-24 to Government in Finance (ECC&F/BG-I) Department without fail.

1.	Central Scheme Code	:	0257
2.	State Scheme Code	:	TN21
3.	Name of the Single Nodal Agency	:	Forest Department, Tamil Nadu
4.	Unique ID assigned to SNA	:	TNRA00003840
5.	Single Nodal Bank Account Details Name of the Bank / Branch	:	State Bank of India, Saidapet.
6.	IFSC Code	:	SBIN0000912
7.	Bank Account No.	:	40443461641

8. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 151/DS(SA)/Fin(ECC&F)Dept/2023, dated: 28.11.2023 and ASL No. 1382 (One thousand eight hundred and two). (IFHRMS ASL. No: 2023111382)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SUPRIYA SAHU
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

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The Accountant General(A&E), Chennai-18.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.

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The Pay and Accounts Officer / Treasury Officer concerned

(through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)),
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ANNEXURE
CENTRALLY SPONSORED FOREST FIRE PREVENTION & MANAGEMENT
SCHEME

ANNUAL PLAN OF OPERATION FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024
(General Works)

(Rs.in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Item of works	Approved APO	
		No. of Units	Total Cost
1	Procurement of Fire fighting equipments		
	Chennai	LS	5.00
	Dharmapuri	LS	10.00
	Dindigul	LS	15.00
	Salem	LS	19.50
	Trichy	LS	5.00
	Vellore	LS	6.50
	Villupuram	LS	5.00
	ATR, Coimbatore	LS	15.00
	KMTR, Tirunelveli	LS	15.00
	MTR, Ooty	LS	15.00
	SMTR, Madurai	LS	19.00
	STR, Erode	LS	20.00
	Total for SL.No. 1	150.00	150.00
2	Controlled burning fire line creation and maintenance		
(a)	Controlled burning		
1	Dindigul	LS	8.00
2	Vellore	LS	41.37
3	Salem	LS	0.12
4	STR Erode	LS	0.97
	sub-total		50.46
(b)	Fire Line creation (6 meter width)		
1	Salem	115.00	21.39
2	Dharmapuri	108.00	16.96
3	ATR Coimbatore	50.00	21.07
4	Chennai	25.00	4.71
5	KMTR Thirunelveli	10.00	1.84
6	Vellore	216.50	29.88
	sub-total	524.50	95.84

(c)	Fire Line creation (3 meter width)		
1	Salem	122	24.33
3	Dharmapuri	301	60.02
4	ATR Coimbatore	40	7.98
5	KMTR Thirunelveli	40	7.98
6	SMTR Madurai	40	7.98
7	Vellore	350	69.79
8	Villupuram	110	21.93
	sub-total	1003	200.00
	Total for SL.No. 2		346.30
3	Creation of infrastructure (Communication system, development of Management Information System, watch towers, forest roads, water storage structures, control rooms at Division and Range level, FG barracks and inspection huts etc.,)		
(a)	Construction of Fire watch Tower		
1	Salem	1	12.80
2	Trichy	1	8.80
3	Dharmapuri	2	31.95
4	STR Erode	1	15.00
5	ATR Coimbatore	1	15.00
6	Dindigul	1	18.00
7	Chennai	3	37.92
8	KMTR Tirunelveli	1	14.66
9	Vellore	1	12.00
10	SMTR Madurai	1	23.87
11	Villupuram	1	10.00
	sub-total	14	200.00
(b)	Fire Detection Camp		
1	Chennai	4	20.00
	sub-total		20.00
(c)	Establishing of Fire control Room @ Range office		
1	Chennai	3	4.50
2	SMTR Madurai	1	22.00
3	Villupuram	3	4.66
	sub-total	7.00	31.16
(d)	Water Storage Structure		
1	SMTR Madurai	5	33.00
2	Chennai	10	80.00

	sub-total	15.00	113.00
(e)	Establishing / Maintenance of wireless communications systems for better communication during fire season		
1	MTR Ooty	LS	4.00
2	SMTR Madurai	LS	12.50
3	KMTR Thirunelveli	LS	8.00
	sub-total		24.50
	Total for SL.No. 3		388.66
4	Procurement of field vehicles for transportation of resources		0.00
5	Soil & Moisture Conservation (SMC) work in High risk areas		
(a)	Creation of water Trough /small pond		
1	STR Erode	2	6.40
	sub-total		6.40
(b)	Creation of small pond		
1	STR Erode	2	12.00
	sub-total		12.00
(c)	Construction of Check dam		
1	Salem		
2	Chennai		
3	Dharmapuri		
4	Dindigul		
5	KMTR, Tirunelveli		
6	ATR Coimbatore		
7	SMTR Madurai		
8	Vellore		
9	STR Erode		
	sub-total	0	0.00
(d)	Construction of Percolation pond		
1	Vellore	3	30.00
2	Dharmapuri	3	34.65
3	Salem	3	34.50
4	Trichy	3	16.50
5	STR Erode	3	30.00
	sub-total	15	145.65
(e)	Maintenance of Existing Check Dam		
1	Salem	8	22.35
2	Dharmapuri	8	24.00

3	ATR Coimbatore	7	14.00
	sub-total	23	60.35
(f)	Maintenance of Percolation pond		
1	Dharmapuri	3	15.00
2	Salem	5	16.50
3	STR Erode	3	9.00
	sub-total	11	40.50
(g)	Construction of Gully plugs		
1	STR Erode	900	29.70
	sub-total	900	29.70
(h)	Desilting of existing natural water hole		
1	STR Erode	10	12.00
	sub-total	10	12.00
(i)	Construction of Gabion structure in the stream portion		
1	STR Erode	7	8.40
	sub-total	7	8.40
(j)	Water storage structure by erection of borewell and 2 HP motor energized by Solar Power Systems		
1	ATR Coimbatore	4	60.00
	sub-total	4	60.00
(k)	Construction of rough stone dry packing		
1	KMTR Thirunelveli	50	25.00
	sub-total	50	25.00
	Total for SL.No. 5		400.00
6	Engagement of fire watchers		
1	Salem	542	3.88
2	Vellore	125	0.90
3	Dharmapuri	5950	42.65
4	Trichy	1875	13.44
5	Dindigul	6250	44.80
6	SMTR Madurai	10221	73.26
7	ATR Coimbatore	88	0.63
8	KMTR Tirunelveli	6800	48.74
12	STR Erode	5700	40.85
13	Chennai	9480	67.95


14	Villupuram	1800	12.90
	Total for SL.No. 6	48831	350.00
7	Awareness campaign		
1	STR Erode	LS	5.13
2	SMTR Madurai	LS	9.00
3	Dindigul	LS	2.20
4	Chennai	LS	5.85
5	Vellore	LS	14.00
6	Villupuram	LS	6.89
7	KMTR Thirunelveli	LS	20.40
8	Trichy	LS	4.50
9	ATR Coimbatore	LS	8.50
10	Dharmapuri	LS	7.25
11	MTR Ooty	LS	4.00
12	Salem	LS	3.85
	Total for SL.No. 7		91.57
8	Pre-fire season workshops for coordination among line departments, elected bodies and NGOs		
1	STR Erode	LS	1.20
2	Dindigul	LS	1.90
3	Salem	LS	5.50
4	Chennai	LS	3.55
5	SMTR Madurai	LS	2.75
6	Villupuram	LS	2.18
7	KMTR Thirunelveli	LS	3.50
8	Trichy	LS	2.80
9	ATR Coimbatore	LS	3.00
10	Dharmapuri	LS	4.00
11	MTR Ooty	LS	2.00
	Total for SL.No.8		32.38
9	Training and capacity building on fire-fighting methods for Frontline staff, NGOs and village communities		
1	STR Erode	LS	4.50
2	Dindigul	LS	2.50
3	Salem	LS	2.50
4	Chennai	LS	7.70

7	Villupuram	LS	11.45
8	KMTR Thirunelveli	LS	4.00
9	Trichy	LS	2.80
10	ATR Coimbatore	LS	2.50
11	Dharmapuri	LS	2.50
13	SMTR Madurai	LS	2.25
13	MTR Ooty	LS	2.00
Total for SL.No.9			44.70
10	Incentivising Villages / Communities for protection against forest fire, under the participatory forest management approach		0.00
Total for (Sl.No 1-10)			1803.61
	Imprest Money (Guidelines at Annexure-I) (5%)		90.18
	Monitoring and review (Guidelines at Annexure-II) (2%)		36.07
	Short term research / Survey on forest fire related issues (Guidelines at Annexure-III) (3%)		54.11
Grand Total			1983.97
		Central share (60%):	1190.38
		State share (40%):	793.59
		Total	1983.97

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