. Minutes of the 2nd meeting of Steering Cmmittee of State CAMPA held on 16-11-2010.

The 2nd meeting of the Steering Committee of State CAMPA was held on 16.11.2010 in the Chief Minister's Conference Room, Writers' Building. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal. The following members and invitees were present

- Shri K.S. Rajendra Kumar, IAS. Addl. Chief Secretary, Forest Deptt., Govt. of West Bengal ... Member.
- 2. Dr. A.K. Raha, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force, West Bengal ... Member.
- 3. Smt. Jaya Dasgupta, IAS. Addl. Chief Secretary, Development & Planning, Govt. of W.B. ... Member.
- 4. Shri S.B. Mondai, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Chief Wildlife Warden ... Member.
- 5. Shri R. Sinha, IFS, Addl. P.C.C.F., Headquarters & MD, Wasteland Development Corporation Ltd. ... Invitee.
- 6. Shri N.C. Bahuguna, IFS, Addl. P.C.C.F., HRD & Vigilance ... Invitee.
- 7. Shri A.K. Saha, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, Headquarters & Land Affairs & Nodal Officer, FCA Member.
- 8. Shri S. Barari, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, Finance, West Bengal ... Member.
- 9. Shri J.K. Tiwari, IFS, Regional CCF, Eastern Region, Bhubaneswar, Representative of the MoEF, Gol, New Delhi ... Member.
- 10. Shri U.K. Bhattacharya, iFS, Spl. Addl. P.C.C.F. & Chief Conservator of Forests, West ... Invitee.
- 11. Dr. S.N. Roy, Director, ISWBM, Kolkuta' ... Member.
- 12. Shri K.M. Agarwal, Prot. & Head, MPSM, IISWBM ... Invitee.
- 13. Shri Bhabani Prasad Das, DFO (Reid,), State CAMPA Cell ... Invitee.

<u>Discussion on Agenda item No.1:- To confirm the minutes of the first meeting of the Steering</u> Committee held on 8.3.2010

The Steering Committee approved the minutes of the first meeting which was held on 8th March, 2010.

Discussion on Agenda Item No.2:- To lay down /approve the rules and procedures for the functioning of the Steering Committee and Executive Committee of the State CAMPA

The Steering Committee approved the constitution of a Sub-Committee, comprising the following officials, to frame/prepare the rules and procedures for functioning of the Steering Committee and Executive Committee of State CAMPA:-

- (i) Spl. Addl. P.C.C.F. &
 - Chief Conservator of Forest, West
- ... Chairman.
- (ii) Chief Conservator of Forests, Finance
- ... Member.
- (iii) Chief Conservator of Forests, Headquarters
- Convenor.

<u>Discussion on Agenda Item No.3</u>:- <u>Progress of Plan of Operation approved in the first meeting of the Steering Committee</u>

At the beginning PCCF, West Bengal & Head of Forest Force, who is the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the State CAMPA, briefed the members on the action taken by the Executive Committee on the approved Plan of Operation and highlighted on the following points:-

- (i) The approved and the revised work Programme against the first instalment of fund of Rs. 5.29 Crores.
- (ii) The need for revision of the approved Work Programme, which is mostly due to change of location arising out of difficulties in carrying out works in the LWE affected areas.
- (iii) The reason for abandoning the approved project on the of construction of Elephant Rescue Centre and proposed inclusion of a Research Project on Bird Diversity of Kolkata.
- (iv) The need for monitoring and evaluation of ongoing schemes for preparation of base line data on forestry development, and survey and demarcation of forest land in encroachment prone areas. It was proposed to carry out -
 - (a) Monitoring and evaluation of Forest Village Development Scheme through tender at a cost of Rs.20 lakhs.
 - (b) Monitoring the plantations raised under CAMPA fund at a cost of Rs.7.38 lakhs by the Monitorong unit of the Forest Directorate.
 - (c) Installation of boundary pillars in forest land which have been settled under Forst Rights Act to the Tribals at a cost of Rs.15 lakhs.

After detailed dicussion on the above proposals, the Steering Committee approved the revised Work Programme against the first instalment of fund of Rs.5.29 crores, which is enclosed as Annexure-In

<u>Discussion on Agenda Item No.4</u>:- Approval of the l'ian of Operation for Rs.5.29 crores received from Adhoc CAMPA as 2nd instalment, in October 2010

The Steering Committee discussed on the new Work Programme, proposed by the State Level Executive Committee of the State CAMPA against the 2nd instalment of Rs.5.29 crores of fund received. After threadbare discussion on each and every item of proposed work, the Committee opined that the items of construction of Aranya Bhawan, at Kolkata and Siliguri, as well as the construction of residential building of CF/Wildlife (North) should not be taken up with the CAMPA fund.

PCCF(HoFF). West Bengal explained the need for augmenting the essential infrastructure of Forest Directorate by way of the above construction which are necessary for effective functioning of the Forest Directorate. The Steering Committee, while appreciating the need for the infrastructural augmentation mentioned above, suggested

PCCF to explore possibilities of providing fund from State Plan or other available sources like Civil Deposit, for construction of office buildings at Kolkta/Siliguri and residence of CF/Wildlife (North). The Steering Committee further agreed that the available fund of Rs.140 lakhs, against the proposed construction of office buildings etc., should be utilised for providing. infrastructural and logistic facilities at the field level, like purchase of motor cycles/patrolling vehicles/mobile vans for the field level staff and providing accommodation and electricity to the field staff. The Work Programmes, which had been finally approved by the Steering Committee against the 2nd instalment of fund is enclosed as Annexure-II.

Discussion on Agenda Item No: 5:- Any Item with the approval of the Chairperson: No issue was raised by any member

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

Sd/- S.Ghosh

(Chief Secretary, Govt of West Bengal)

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Dated: - 02/12/10

To

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- 11) Shri U.K. Bhattacharya, IFS, Spi.Addl. P.C.C.F, & C.C.C, West, W.B
- 12) Dr. Asis Mazumdar, Coordinator, Regional Centre, NAEB, Jadavpur University, Kolkata
- 13) Dr. S.N.Roy, Director, IISWBM, Kolkata
- 14) Shri K.M.Agarwal, Prof. & Head. MPSM, IISWBM
- 15) Shri Gautam Ghosh, Jt. Secretary, Development & Planning Deptt., W.B
- 16) Shri P.D.Bandyopadhyay, Jt. Secretary, Forest Deptt., W.B.
- 17) Shri Bhabani Prasad Das, DFO (Retd.), State CAMPA

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