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Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

(Forest Protection Division)

5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Agni Wing, Indira ParyavaranBhawan, JorBagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003. Dated the 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2025

To,

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

Subject: Assistance to State Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for the Annual Plan Operation (General Works) during 2024-25 under the CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management – Release of 2<sup>nd</sup> and final instalment- Part.

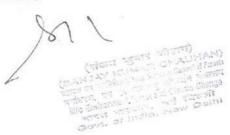
Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's letter of even number dated 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (copy enclosed), I am directed to convey the approval of competent authority for sanction and release of Rs. 46.53 lakhs (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs and Fifty Three thousand only) as the release of 2<sup>nd</sup> and final installment of Central Share of Approved Annual Plan Operation (General Works) during 2024-25 under Centrally Sponsored: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme to the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh, subject to the condition that the State Government on 90%: 10% 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 2024-25 (Plan):

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
Forest Fire Prevention & Management	3601.06.101.01.03.31	43.83
Scheme	3601.06.101.01.03.35	2.70
	TOTAL	46.53

- 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 and sanction order number Sanction Order No. 23/2024-25/FPD dated 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2024. Further, the released amount is to be utilized also subject to following additional 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 provisions 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
NE States and Special category States of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand	90%	10%
Rest of the States	60%	40%

A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be iii. open for audit by the C&AG.

The GFRs 2017 is to be followed along with the economic instructions issued by the iv. Government of India from time to time.

All payments are to be made by bank transfer and no cash payment is made. ٧.

The payment for the engagement of labor for various works such as fire watchers, vi. 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.

In case of employment through contract, a copy of the PF & ESI of employees shall vii.

be furnished, wherever applicable.

Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payments and CST in case viii. of purchase of leviable goods are obtained along with a Utilization Certificate and compliance with DBT scheme has to be ensured.

The UCs (as prescribed in GFR-12 C of GFR 2017 under Rule 239), Progress Report ix. along with satellite photographs of physical deliverables with date and latitudelongitude coordinates before and after implementation shall be submitted in time.

Color photographs with coordinates should be submitted for various activities. X.

A strict economy should be observed so as to keep the actual expenditure to a χi. minimum. The works are to be executed as per the Sanctioned Schedule of Rates applicable in the area.

The expenditure is to be incurred as per the allocation of funds. There shall be no xii. diversion of earmarked funds from one item to another, except in case of unavoidable circumstances and only with the prior approval of MoEF&CC. 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:

There should not be any overlapping of activities under the scheme with the xiii.

activities of other ongoing schemes of the Central / State Govt.

The programme is to be monitored by State regularly and the quarterly progress xiv. report shall be submitted by the State on the progress of implementation of the scheme in the format given in Annexure-VII of the Operational Guidelines of the Scheme, for every quarter of the year.

The infrastructure created will be fully utilized for the purpose for which they have XV. been sanctioned and all recurring cost in respect of all items sanctioned will be borne

by the State Government.

Procurement of goods and services will be done through GeM. xvi.

If any interest of central share is yet to be deposited, as per SNA 04(A) report, then xvii.

the interest must be deposited in CFI fund.

For the proposed infrastructure works including the construction of water tanks, the xviii. location of the site along with the details of GPS details may be submitted to this office.



xix. The fixed assets created out of this grant shall not be disposed of without the concurrence of this Ministry.

The outcome of the money released under the Scheme should be submitted as per

the format given below:

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Outcome	Indicator	Periodicity	Data Source/Method	Responsible Agency
Reduction in fire incidences	Number of forest fires	Annual	Satellite data	FSI, Dehradun
Reduction in damage to forest resources	Total estimated area affected due to forest fire	Annual	Satellite data and Information from States/UTs	
Capacity development for forest fire fighting	The number of field forest staff and members of JFMCs / villages trained.	Annual	State / UT Forest Departments	State / UT Forest Departments

- The State shall carry out monitoring & evaluation of the works undertaken. The xxi. proposal for 2<sup>nd</sup> installment should also include the details of the mid-term monitoring & evaluation report, the number of alerts, actual fire incidences, and the losses due to the forest fire.
- 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.
- 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 Arunachal Pradesh and to debit the amount to the Account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
- This issues with the concurrence of Internal Finance Division vide their Dy. No. E-137996 dated 10.01.2025 and Unique ID No. 408/IFD/2024 under the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments.

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Telephone No. 20819255

Yours faithfully,

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- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar. 2. The Secretary, Department of Finance, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
- 3. The Secretary, Forests Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

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

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Subject: Assistance to the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for the Annual Plan of Operation (General Works) during 2024-25 under the CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management – release of 1<sup>st</sup> instalment-reg.

#### Sir,

I am directed to convey the administrative approval of the competent authority for the Annual Plan of Operation for the FY 2024-25 submitted by the Govt. of **Arunachal Pradesh** under the **CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme**, for an amount of **Rs. 206.80 Lakh** (Rupees Eight Lakh and Eighty Five thousand only) on a 90%: 10% cost sharing basis as the Central Share and the State Share respectively.

- 2. I am further directed to convey the approval of the competent authority for sanction of Rs. 93.06 Lakh (Rupees Ninety Three Lakh and Six Thousand Only) (50% of Central Share) and a net release of Rs. 93.06 Lakh (Rupees Ninety Three Lakh and Six Thousand Only) towards the 1<sup>st</sup> instalment of Annual Plan Operation 2024-25, under CSS: Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme to the State of Arunachal Pradesh for the financial year 2024-25.
- 3. The expenditure incurred is adjustable to the Demand No. 28. (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change) under the following Heads during the Financial Year 2024-25 (Plan):

Scheme	Budget Head	Amount (Rs.	
orest Fire Prevention & Management	3601.06.101.01.03.31	87.66	
Scheme	3601.06.101.01.03.35	5.40	
	TOTAL	93.06	

4. The approved 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 of Operation sanctioned as given in Annexure and no deviation from the approved items of expenditure shall be made without prior concurrence of the Government of India.

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- The released amount is to be utilized subject to adherence to the following terms and conditions:
  - The sanction is provisional and is subject to adjustment on the basis of the audited figures of expenditure.
  - ii. State Government should make adequate Budget provisions 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
NE States and Special category States of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand	90%	10%
Rest of the States	60%	40%

- A separate bank account shall be opened for the purpose and the account shall be open for audit by the C&AG.
- iv. The GFRs 2017 is to be followed along with the economic instructions issued by the Government of India from time to time.
- v. All 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, a copy of the 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 a Utilization Certificate and compliance with 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. Colored photographs with co-ordinates should be submitted for various activities.
- xi. A strict economy should be observed to keep the actual expenditure to a minimum. The works are to be executed as per the Sanctioned Schedule of Rates applicable in the area.
- xii. The expenditure is to be incurred as per the allocation of funds. There shall be no diversion of earmarked funds from one item to another, except in case of unavoidable circumstances and only with the prior approval of MoEF&CC. 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.
- xiii. There should not be any overlapping of activities under the scheme with the activities of other ongoing schemes of the Central / State Govt.
- xiv. The programme is to be monitored by the State regularly and the **quarterly progress report** shall be submitted by the State on the progress of implementation of the scheme in the format given in Annexure-VII of the Operational Guidelines of the Scheme, for every quarter of the year.
- xv. The infrastructure created will be fully utilized for the purpose for which they have been sanctioned and all recurring costs in respect of all items sanctioned will be borne by the State Government.
- xvi. For the proposed infrastructure works including the construction of water tanks, the location of the site along with the details of GPS details may be submitted to this office.
- xvii. The fixed assets created out of this grant shall not be disposed of without the concurrence of this Ministry.

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xviii. 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	
Fewer fire incidences	Number of forest fires	Annual	Satellite data	FSI, Dehradun	
		Annual	Satellite data and Information from States/UTs	FSI, Dehradun and States/UT	
	The number of field forest staff and members of JFMCs / villages trained.	Annual	State / UT Forest Departments	State / UT Forest Departments	

- xix. The State shall carry out monitoring & evaluation of the works undertaken. The proposal for 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment should also include the details of the mid-term monitoring & evaluation report, the number of alerts, actual fire incidences, and the losses due to the forest fire.
- 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 the 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 the Government of **Arunachal Pradesh** and to debit the amount from the Account of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
- 8. This issues with the concurrence of the Internal Finance Division vide their **Dy. No. E-137996 dated 09.09.2024 and Unique ID No. 234/IFD/2024 under** the powers delegated to the Ministries/Departments.

Annexure: Approved Annual Plan Operation 2024-25 (General Works).

Yours faithfully,

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# Centrally Sponsored Forest Fire Prevention & Management Scheme (FPM)

### Revised Annual Plan Operation for the year 2024-25 (General Works)

## Name of the State / UT: Arunachal Pradesh

(Rs. in lakhs)

			Proposed by State Govt. R				ed by Division	
S.No.	Items	Unit	Unit Cost	No. of Units	Total Cost	No. of Units	Total Cost	Remarks
1	Procurement of fire fighting equipments						=	
a	Fire safety unit per individual (including helmet, mask, suit, gloves and shoes)	Nos	0.10	100	10.00			
b	Fire Hose Reel Box (36 meters)	Nos	0.03	100	3.00			
¢	Forest Fire blower	Nos	0.50	50	25.00			
d	Power Chain saw	Nos	0.50	10	5.00			
ę	Fire Extinguisher	Nos	0.20	50	10.00	LS	54.00	
f	Fire Rake	Nos	0.02	50	1.00			
g	Fire Beater	Nos	0.01	50	0.50			
h	Shovels	Nos	0.02	50	1.00			
i	Drone	Nos	3.70	10	37.00			
2	Controlled burning, fire line creation and maintenance							
a	Fireline creation	Km	0.0600	600	36.00	300	14.00	
b	Fire line maintenance	Km	0.0400	400	16.00	200	8.00	



3	Creation of infrastructure							
a	Watch towers	No	3.50	10	35.00		0.00	
b	forest roads	Km	LS	20	20.00	an ar leasure -	0.00	
c	Water Storage Streture	Nos	4.00	10	40.00	3	12,00	
d	Construction of double unit staff barracks	No	20.00	5	100.00		0.00	
e	Maintenance of Assets under FPM Scheme	Nos	0.50	10	5,00		0.00	
f	C/o 24x7 Fire Control Room	No	6.50	5	32.50		0.00	
4	Procurement of field vehicles for transportation of resources	No	8.50		0.00		0.00	
a	Fire tenders (Small multipurpose)	Nos	15.00	3	45.00		0.00	
b	Water Tankers	Nos	14.00	2	28.00		0.00	
5	Soil & Moisture Conservation (SMC) work in High risk areas - artificial ponds	Nos	0.355	100	35.50		0.00	
6	Engagement of fire watchers @0.12 x 5 months = 60,000/-	Mandays	0.6000	1500	900.00	140	84.00	
7	(a) Awareness camping, Pre-fire season workshops for coordination among line departments and elected bodies and NGOs	Nos	0.30	100	30.00	20	6.00	
	(b) Preparation of Forest Fire Management System with help of NESSC	Nos	I.S	LS	139.74		10.00	4

(c) Forest Fire Action Plan by rain Forest Research Institute (RFRI), a govt. of India Organization, Johrat, Assam	Nos	Ls	LS	4.38	0,00
Total				1559.62	188.00
Imprest Money (guidelines at Annexure-l) (5%)				77.98	9.40
Monitoring and review (guidelines at Annexure-II). 2%				31.19	3.76
Short term research/survey on forest fire related issues (guidelines at Annexure-III). 3%				46.79	5.64
Grand Total				1715.58	206.80
Tentative allocation Rs. 181.94 lakh					

Central share (90%) State share (10%) Total 186.12 lakhs

20.68 lakhs

46.53

Total :

206.80 lakhs

