

Ad-hoc

Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority
Constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, by Order dated 5th May 2006 in
IA No.1337 with IA Nos.827, 1122, 1216, 1473 in
WP (Civil) No.202 of 1995 : T N Godavarman Thirumalpad Vs Union of India & Ors.

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No.1-1/2011-CAMPA

Dated the 29th January 2015.

1. The Principal Secretaries (Forests),
All State Governments/ Union Territories.
2. The Principal Chief Conservators of Forests & HoFF,
All State Governments/ Union Territories.

Sub.: **CAMPA – transfer of funds, to – question of reconciliation.**

Sir,

Please refer to the instructions issued vide this Office circular of even number dated the 28th March 2011 (Annexure 'A') wherein the decision of the Ad-hoc CAMPA, to the effect that confirmation of receipt of funds in the Ad-hoc CAMPA should be got confirmed, before 2nd stage clearance to diversion of forest land is issued under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 was conveyed. Attention is also invited, in this connection, to circular letter of even number dated the 4th November 2011 (Annexure 'B') specifying the further details for deposit of funds in the Ad-hoc CAMPA, and for seeking confirmation of the receipt of these funds.

2. It has been decided that the existing system of verification of credits to the Ad-hoc CAMPA will also extend to approvals to diversion of forest land under the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 granted by the State Governments under their delegated powers. In such cases, before granting final approval to diversion of forest land under their delegated powers and/ or working permission in accordance with the Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India, the State/ UT Governments will be required to obtain confirmation of the receipt of the funds in the Ad-hoc CAMPA by sending the requisite information in the proforma (pl see Annexure 'A'), to the Ad-hoc CAMPA, under intimation to the concerned Regional Office of the MoEF&CC. The Ad-hoc CAMPA, while sending the confirmation of receipt of compensatory levies to the State Government, will send a copy of the communication to the Regional Office of the MoEF&CC, and to the FC Division, MoEF&CC.

3. These instructions may kindly be circulated to all concerned, for scrupulous compliance.

Yours faithfully,


(M S Negi)

Inspector General of Forests and
Chief Executive Officer, Ad-hoc CAMPA


Encl.: a.a.

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Copy forwarded for necessary action to :

1. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Regional Offices, Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change ;
2. Nodal Officers (FCA)/ Officers in Charge (CAMPA), all State Governments/ UTs;
3. All officers in the FC Division, MoEF&CC ;
4. Sr PPS to DGF&SS/PPS to Addl DGF(FC)/ PS to IGF.FC.

Encl.: a.a.


(M S. Negi)

Inspector General of Forests and
Chief Executive Officer, Ad-hoc CAMPA

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Ministry of Environment and Forests
(Ad-hoc CAMPA)

Annexure - A

Paryavaran Bhavan,
CGO Complex Phase II,
Lodi Road, **New Delhi 110510**,
Dated the 28th March, 2011.

To
The Chief Conservators of Forests,
All Regional Offices,
Ministry of Environment and Forests.,

Sir,

Sub.: Clearances under FC Act, 1980 : Deposition of funds with the Ad-hoc CAMPA : Remittances to precede 2nd stage clearance.

I am directed to say that the issue of ensuring the deposition of funds by User Agencies with the Ad-hoc Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA), in compliance of the conditions stipulated in the 1st stage (in-principle) clearance for diversion of forest land, under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, has been under consideration of the Government for quite some time. The issue was deliberated upon in the 15th meeting of the Ad-hoc CAMPA, chaired by the Director General of Forests & Special Secretary, on the 23rd August, 2010 wherein following decision was taken . . :

The 2nd stage approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 should not be formally conveyed until the CA, ACA, PCA, CAT, NPV funds, etc. are CAMPA before 2nd stage clearance under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been started.

3. The question came up for further consideration in the 16th meeting of the Ad-hoc CAMPA on 17th January, 2011 and the following was decided :

It was considered that the procedure had been put in place only in respect of the approvals granted by the Ministry (proper). It was decided that the procedure should be replicated, forthwith, in respect of approvals granted by the Regional Offices of the Ministry under their delegated authority.

4. I am, accordingly, to convey that Stage-II clearances for diversion of forest land under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 which are within the delegated authority of the Regional Offices of this Ministry should not be conveyed until it is ensured that the funds on account of CA, ACA, PCA, CAT, WL, and NPV are actually credited to the State specific CAMPA accounts maintained by the Ad-hoc CAMPA in New Delhi.

5. For the purpose of ensuring the implementation of the decision of the Ad-hoc CAMPA as above, I am to request that as and when a report in compliance of the conditions stipulated in the in-principle (1st stage) clearance is received from the State Forest Department, a report may be sought from the undermentioned, preferably through e-mail, viz. :

Officer on Special Duty,
Ad-hoc CAMPA,
202 Trikoot I,
Bhikaiji Cama Place,
New Delhi 110 066.

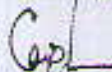
Telefax No. 26173671 e-mail : adhoc-campa-mef@nic.in

6. While soliciting confirmation of the receipt of funds, the following may be taken note of :

- (a) the communication sent to the OSD, Ad-hoc CAMPA should be enclosed with information in the prescribed proforma (copy enclosed) ;
- (b) OSD, Ad-hoc CAMPA is under instructions to send a report on such requests for confirmation of receipt of CAMPA funds, within 3 working days. Any delay on this account may be reported to the IGF(FC) in the Ministry of Environment and Forests.

7. I am directed to request that the above procedure, for ensuring remittance of funds to the Ad-hoc CAMPA before 2nd stage clearance may be put in force immediately.

Yours faithfully,


(C D Singh)

I/c Inspector General of Forests

Copy to :

- (1) DGF&SS/ Addl DGF(FC)/ Addl DGF(WL) ;
- (2) AIGF(HCC)/ AIGF(UK)/ AIGF(RS)/ DS(RO,Hq).


(C D Singh)

I/c Inspector General of Forests

Proforma.

1. Name of Regional Office
2. State/ Distt / Forest Division to which the proposal relates
3. Name of User Agency, nature of proposal
4. Extent of forest area involved
5. Whether original, or extension
6. If extension of lease, pl clarify if proposal involves additional forest area, and if so, specify
7. Date of 1st stage clearance
8. Extent of CAMPA charges, head wise viz. :
 - (a) Compensatory Afforestation ;
 - (b) Additional CA :
 - (c) Penal CA :
 - (d) Catchment Area Treatment :
 - (e) Wildlife Management Plan :
 - (f) Additional charges for diversion of area falling under notified/ protected areas :
 - (g) Net Present Value :
 - (h) Any other charges/Levies (Pl specify) :
9. Details of Bank Drafts (Bank, Draft No., Date & Amount), head-wise against items indicated in paragraph 9 above
10. Whether deposited by RTGS, if so, the particulars & date of remittance ;
11. Bank [Corporation Bank, Lodhi Complex/ Union Bank of India, Sunder Nagar] in which deposited, with date of deposition
12. Any other remarks

Signature of CCF, Regional Office.

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Amrinder B

Paryavaran Bhavan,
CGO Complex Phase II,
Lodi Road, New Delhi 110 510.
Dated the 4th November, 2011

To
The Principal Secretaries,
Forest Departments,
All States/ Union Territories

Subj: **Clearances under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 :
Deposition of funds with the Ad-hoc CAMPA :
Remittances to precede 2nd stage clearance.**

Sir,

Following deliberations in the meetings of the Ad-hoc Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, instructions were issued to all concerned vide circular letter No.12-2/2010-CAMPA dated 22nd October, 2010, 13th May, 2011 and 24th June, 2011 (copies enclosed) to the effect that before 2nd stage clearances for diversion of forest land under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are issued, it will be necessary to seek a confirmation from the Ad-hoc CAMPA that the funds have actually been deposited in the designated Savings Bank accounts.

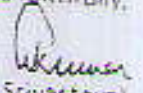
2. While the arrangements are, by and large, working satisfactorily and are subserving the purpose of ensuring the proper deposition and accounting of funds in the State CAMPA accounts maintained by the Ad-hoc CAMPA, the following issues require yet to be addressed, viz :

- I. in many cases, the funds received from different User Agencies as compensatory afforestation funds are clubbed together, and then transferred to the State CAMPA accounts maintained by the Ad-hoc CAMPA. This presents difficulties in identification & location of the funds deposited by the individual User Agencies. It is necessary that funds are deposited in the designated accounts maintained by the Ad-hoc CAMPA, Project-wise immediately as they are received from the User Agencies. Clubbing of funds for different projects must not be done ;
- II. where the funds have already been clubbed together, the Project-wise and component-wise break of the deposited compensatory levies will be a must. Without this break up, it will not be possible for the Ad-hoc CAMPA to certify the receipt of funds ;
- III. compensatory levies are still being deposited in Current Accounts instead of the Savings Bank accounts of State CAMPAs. It should be ensured that the funds are deposited, preferably through the RTGS/ IFSC mode in the Savings Bank accounts of respective State CAMPAs. Where User Agencies have already been asked to make deposits in the Current Accounts, they may kindly be addressed individually to make the deposits, instead, in the Savings Bank accounts ;
- IV. in some cases funds deposited with the Banks in the States remain with them for long periods, without transmission to the designated Banks/ accounts in New Delhi. This is not desirable. It should be ensured that the funds should be deposited directly with the designated Banks/ accounts, and in exceptional cases where the deposits

are made in the Banks in the States, the immediate transmission of the funds to the designated banks/ accounts in Delhi should be ensured

It is requested that appropriate instructions may kindly be issued to all concerned to follow the above instructions scrupulously, so that the process of clearance under the FC Act, 1980 is expedited.

Yours faithfully,




(A.K. Srivastava)

Inspector General of Forests &
Chief Executive Officer, Ad-hoc CAMPA

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2. The Nodal Officers (FCA), All States/ UTs.
3. The Chief Conservators of Forests, all Regional Offices of the MoEF.



(A.K. Srivastava)

Inspector General of Forests &
Chief Executive Officer, Ad-hoc CAMPA

Copies also forwarded to the following, with the request that while making references to the OSD, Ad-hoc CAMPA, information may invariably be furnished in the prescribed proforma (copy enclosed), and the State Govts/ UTs may also be sensitized to follow the above instructions, strictly

AIGF(HCC)/ AIGF(SPS)/ AIGF(INCS)/ IO(FC)/ SO(FC)

Copy also forwarded to Sr PPS to DGF&SS/ Sr PPS to ADGF(WL)/ Sr PPS to ADGF(FC)/ IGF(FC)



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