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Environment and Forests
(FR.7) Department,
Secretariat, Chennai -9

Letter [D] No: 121, Dated: 08.09.2020.

From
Dr. Sandeep Saxena, IAS.,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force),
Chennai-15.

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) – State Innovative fund – Development of Novel Expression markers to aid in the screening of tamarind genotypes for superior fruit characteristics at a cost of Rs.9.89 lakhs – Sanction accorded during 2019-2020 – Revalidation – Authorization for utilize unspent amount during 2020-21 – Regarding.

- Ref: 1. G.O. (D).No.39, Environment and Forests (FR.7) Department, Dated 09.02.2018.
2. Government Letter No.200/FR.7/2018, Dated 19.07.2018.
3. Government Letter No.218/FR.7/2019, Dated 05.08.2019.
4. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No. J1/23543/2017, Dated 27.05.2020.

In the Government order first cited, the Government have sanctioned a sum of Rs.9.89 lakh during 2017-18 towards the scheme of "Development of Novel expression markers to aid in the screening of tamarind genotypes for superior fruit characteristics" under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives.

2. In the letter second cited, the Government had authorized to incur an expenditure of Rs.5.58 lakh towards implementation of balance works under the above said scheme during 2018-2019.

3. In the letter third cited, the Government had authorized to incur an expenditure of Rs. 2.28 lakh [Rupees Two lakh and twenty eight thousand only] to implement the balance works mentioned above, in the scheme "Development of Novel expression markers to aid in the screening of tamarind genotypes for superior fruit characteristics" under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives, during the year 2019-2020.

4. In the letter fourth cited, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has stated that out of Rs.2.28 lakh sanctioned, an amount of Rs.0.12 lakh alone could be spent
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 during 2019-2020, leaving an unspent balance of Rs.2.16 lakh. The details are as follows:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of the work	Amount sanctioned	Amount spent	Balance
1.	Engagement of JRF for conducting Research work	0.12	0.12	0.00
2.	Engagement of Field Assistant	0.20	0.00	0.20
3.	Next Generation Sequencing (outsourcing)	1.60	0.00	1.60
4.	Contingency	0.36	0.00	0.36
	Total	2.28	0.12	2.16

5. He has further stated that analysis, validation and documentation of anthocyanin pathway gene expression analysis from both red and brown varieties and submission of project report has to be carried out under the scheme. He has further stated that the Next Generation Sequencing work is nearing completion. Hence, in view of these, he has requested to revalidate the unspent balance of Rs.2.16 lakh to be utilised during 2020-2021.

6. After careful examination of the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, I am directed to convey the authorization of the Government to incur an expenditure of Rs. 2.16 lakh [Rupees Two lakh and sixteen thousand only] to implement the balance works mentioned at Para 4 above, in the scheme "Development of Novel expression markers to aid in the screening of tamarind genotypes for superior fruit characteristics" under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives, during the year 2020-21.

7. (i). The expenditure authorized in para 6 above shall be debited to the following head of account:-

"2406 Forestry and Wild Life – 01 Forestry – 105 Forest Produce – State's Expenditure-JG Screening of tamarind genotypes for superior fruit characteristics under State Innovation Fund – 309 Grants-in-Aid – 03 Grants for Specific Schemes

(Old DPC – 2406 01 105 JG 0931)"
 (IFHRMS DPC: 2406-01-105-JG-30903)

(ii). The expenditure shall be met from the State Innovation Fund by deducting under the following head of account:-

"2406 Forestry and Wild Life – 01 Forestry – 902 Deduct – Amount met from State Innovation Fund (Reserve Fund). State's Expenditure - JA

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Deduct – Amount met from State Innovation Fund – 330 Inter-Account Transfers – 01 Inter – Account transfers

(DPC – 2406 01 902 JA 3001)”
(IFHRMS DPC: 2406-01-902-JA-33001)

And Contra debiting the following fund account:-

“J- Reserve Fund – (b) Reserve funds not bearing interest – 8229- 00 – Development and Welfare Funds – 200. Other Development and Welfare Funds – BE State Innovation Fund – 802 – Outgo – 02 – Not Bearing Interest.

(DPC – 8229 00 200 BE 0006) (Outgo)”
(IFHRMS DPC: 8229-00-200-BE-80202)

8. Necessary funds Rs.2,16,000/- will be provided in Revised Estimates / FMA 2020-2021 to meet the expenditure authorized in para 6 above. Pending provision of such funds, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is authorized to draw and incur the expenditure and also include this expenditure while sending the budget proposals for RE / FMA 2020-2021 to Finance (AHD&F) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

9. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is also requested to ensure that the amount authorized is utilized in full during 2020-2021 itself and to send the Utilization Certificate as soon as the work is completed.

10. This letter issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No: 20752/AHD&F/2020, Dated: 01.09.2020 along with ASL No. 427 (Four hundred and twenty seven)

Yours faithfully,

G. R. Suresh
10/9/20

for Additional Chief Secretary to Government

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