



## **ABSTRACT**

Forests – Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) – Removal of Invasive Alien Species and Restoration of Native Grass Land in Kodaikanal Division – over a period of 3 years from 2018-19 to 2020-21 - at a total cost of Rs.84.70 lakh – Administrative sanction accorded – Release of a sum of Rs.20.33 lakhs for the year 2020-2021– Sanctioned – Orders - Issued.

### **Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department**

G.O. (D) No. 129

Dated: 25.09.2020.

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Read:

1. G.O.(D) No. 42, Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department, dated 13.02.2018.
2. G.O.(D) No. 354, Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department, dated 18.12.2018.
3. G.O.(D) No. 189, Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department, dated 24.07.2019.
4. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests letter Ref.No.J1/22051/2017, Dated 27.05.2020 and 09.06.2020.

### **ORDER :**

In the Government Order first read above, the Government have accorded administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.84.70 lakh for a period of three years from 2017-2018 to 2019-2020 for the implementation of the scheme of "Removal of Invasive Alien Species and Restoration of Native Grass Land in Kodaikanal Division" under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiatives (TANII) fund and also released a sum of Rs.42.91 lakh, during 2017-2018.

2. In the Government Order second read above, the Government have released a sum of Rs.50.29 lakh for "Removal of Invasive Alien species and Restoration of Native Grass land in Kodaikanal Division during the year 2018-2019 and to continue the works during the years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021, as detailed below :-

<b>Year</b>	<b>Rs. in lakh</b>
2018-19	50.29
2019-20	22.83
2020-21	11.58
<b>Total</b>	<b>84.70</b>

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3. In the Government Order third read above, the Government have released a sum of Rs.14.08 lakh for "Removal of Invasive Alien species and Restoration of Native Grass land in Kodaikanal Division during the year 2019-2020 and revalidated the unspent amount of Rs.12.70 lakhs pertaining to 2018-2019. (Total Rs.26.78 lakhs)

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter fourth read above, has stated that out of Rs.26.78 lakh sanctioned for the year 2019-2020, an amount of Rs.25.16 lakh was spent leaving an unspent balance of Rs.1.62 lakh. The reason for shortfall is towards Staff Cost for engaging technical staff (sanctioned Rs.2.16 lakh towards staff cost). The technical staff who was engaged from April 2019 to June 2019 failed to produce sufficient output on the works assigned to him and also no suitable person could be found to engage for remaining months. Hence, an amount of Rs.1.62 lakh could not be spent.

5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has further stated that as per the administrative sanction accorded, the works to be carried out under the scheme during 2020-2021, is as follows:

Sl.No	Item of Work	Financial Cost (Rs.in Lakhs)
<b>A.</b>	<b>Recurring</b>	
1.	Staff Cost - Engaging technical staff @ Rs.18,000/- per month	2.16
<b>B.</b>	<b>Non Recurring - Restoration of Native Grass Land</b>	
1.	III <sup>rd</sup> year maintenance of alien species removed area by uprooting and weeding out the alien species which are grown in the removed area - 50 Ha @ Rs.16489/Ha.	8.42
2.	Monitory and evaluation of the above work	1.00
	<b>Total for 2020-2021</b>	<b>11.58</b>

He has further stated that, as per the administrative sanction a sum of Rs.22.83 lakh was accorded during the year 2019-2020 under the scheme. However, funds to the tune of Rs.8.75 lakh for the component namely, "Maintenance of planted grass area and replacement of casualties where empty patches seen in the planted area" was not released during 2019-2020, since the planting of grass slips was taken up only during 2019-2020 for which maintenance proposed to be carried out during 2020-21. Hence, the total requirements of funds for the year 2020-2021 under the scheme, is as follows:-



Sl. No.	Item of Work	Amount (Rs.in Lakhs)	Justification
<b>I.</b>	<b>Works pertaining to 2020-21</b>		
<b>A.</b>	<b>Recurring</b>		
I.	Staff cost- Engaging technical staff @Rs.18,000/- per month	2.16	Technical assistant is essentially required to look out the progress of works.
<b>B.</b>	<b>Non Recurring – Restoration of Native Grass Land</b>		
1.	III <sup>rd</sup> year maintenance of alien species removed area by uprooting and weeding out the alien species which are grown in the removed area – 50 Ha @ Rs.16489/Ha.	8.42	The cleared area of wattle during 2018-19 has to be maintained by uprooting the small wattle recruits. Hence, this item of work may be allowed.
2.	Monitoring and evaluation	1.00	Monitoring and evaluation of the works is vital to assess the implementation and progress of the scheme. Hence, this item of work may be allowed.
	<b>Sub-total (I)</b>	<b>11.58</b>	
<b>II.</b>	<b>Works pertaining to 2019-2020 which was not released during 2019-20 and proposed to be carried out during 2020-21.</b>		
	<b>Non-recurring</b>		
	Maintenance of planted grass area and replacement of causalities where empty patches seen in the planted area – 50 Ha @ Rs.17515/Ha.	8.75	In order to ensure survival and successful of the planted grass slips, maintenance and replacement of causalities where empty patches seen in the planted area will be carried out during 2020-2021. Hence, this item of work may be allowed.
	<b>Sub-total (II)</b>	<b>8.75</b>	
	<b>Grand Total (I + II)</b>	<b>20.33</b>	

6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has therefore requested the Government to sanction a sum of Rs.20.33 lakhs for implementation of the scheme "Restoration of Native Grass Land in Kodaikanal" during the year 2020-2021.

7. The Government after careful consideration of the request of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, have decided to sanction and release a sum of Rs.20.33 lakh (Rupees Twenty lakhs and thirty three thousand only) towards the implementation of the scheme "Removal of Invasive Alien Species and Restoration of Native Grass Land in Kodaikanal Division" during the year 2020-2021.

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

2406 Forestry and Wild Life - 02 Environmental Forestry and Wild life - 110 Wild Life Preservation - State's Expenditure - JO Restoration of Native grass Land in Kodaikanal under State Innovation Fund - 309 Grants - in - Aid - 03 Grants for Specific Schemes.

(Old DPC : 2406 02 110 JO 0933)

(IFHRMS DPC:2406 02 110 JO 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 - 02 Environmental Forestry and Wild life - 902 Deduct - Amount met from State Innovation Fund - State's Expenditure - JA Deduct Amount met from State Innovation Fund - 330 Inter Account Transfers 01 - Inter Account Transfers

(Old DPC : 2406 02 902 JA 3000)

(IFHRMS DPC: 2406 02 902 JA 33001)

(iii) And Contra - debiting the following fund account:-

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

(Old DPC : 8229 00 200 BE 0006) (Outgo)

(IFHRMS DPC: 8229 00 200 BE 80202)



9. In B.E.. 2020-2021, a sum of Rs.11,58,000/- have been provided under the above Head of Account. Necessary additional funds Rs.8,75,000/- will be provided in Revised Estimates/Final Modified Appropriation 2020-2021 to meet the expenditure sanctioned/released in para 7 above. Pending provision of such funds, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is authorized to incur the expenditure. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is also directed to include the expenditure sanctioned above while sending the budget proposals for RE/FMA 2020-21 to Finance (AHD&F/BG.I) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No 27309/AHD&F/2020, Dated: 24.09.2020 and ASL No.580 (Five hundred and eighty).

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

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