

**Proceedings of 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting Of The Executive Committee Of State Authority Held On 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2023 Under the Chairmanship of Sh. Ajay Shrivastva, IFS, PCCF (HoFF) HP –cum- Chairman, Executive.**

List of participants is enclosed as Annexure-A.

At the outset, the Deputy Chief Executive Officer, HP State Authority welcomed the Chairperson and other members of the Executive Committee. Thereafter, the agenda items were discussed and deliberated upon at length.

The decisions taken on the agenda items of the meeting are as under:-

**AGENDA ITEM – 8.1**

**Action Taken Report on the decisions taken in 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of Executive Committee.**

Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Committee of H.P State Authority (CAMPA) was placed before the Executive Committee of State Authority for favour of perusal and approval.

**Decision Taken:** The Executive Committee perused the Action Taken Report and approved the same. Agenda stands dropped.

**AGENDA ITEM – 8.2**

**Progress Report for the F.Y. 2022-23**

The EC was apprised that during 2022-23, against the approved outlay of Rs. 190.23 crore the GoHP released an amount of Rs. 140.01 crore out of which the expenditure upto 20.01.2023 is about Rs. 40.44 crore and remaining works are in progress and the final position will be apprised in the next meeting after closing of the financial year.

**Decision taken:** The Executive Committee perused the progress of expenditure upto 20.01.2023 and suggested to gear up the pace of expenditure so that the maximum funds could be booked upto 31.03.2023. It is also suggested by the EC that the APOs from field office should reach on time so that the same could be compiled accordingly. Representative from Agriculture Department was requested to submit proposal regarding pumping of water stored in ponds/dams in forest areas for irrigation purpose in nearby villages.

### AGENDA ITEM – 8.3

#### Approval of APO for the F.Y. 2023-24

The EC was apprised that APO for the year 2023-24 has been formulated keeping in view the provisions of CAF Act & Rules including permissible and non permissible activities. The committee was also informed in detail about the salient features and targets proposed in thrust areas in the APO for 2023-24. The sector wise detailed APO of Rs. 150.00 crore was placed before the Executive Committee for favour of perusal and approval before placing it before the Steering Committee for its consent for submitting to the National Authority. The details of sector wise provision of funds made in the APO amounting to the tune of Rs. 150.00 crore are as under:

Sr. No.	Name of Sector	Outlay for 2023-24
		(Amount in Rs.)
1	Compensatory Afforestation (CA)	24.00
2	Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plans	22.00
3	Integrated Wild Life Management Plan (IWMP)	14.00
4	Net Present Value (NPV)	86.62
5	Interest	2.35
6	Others	1.03
	<b>Total</b>	<b>150.00</b>

**Decision Taken:** The Executive Committee, after detailed discussions and deliberations, approved the same for placing it before the Steering Committee for approval with following suggestions:

EC suggested reviewing the activities proposed in the APO for the year 2023-24 keeping view slow pace of expenditure/progress.

EC approved the proposal to constitute a committee of three IFS officers who will study the impact of Lantana eradication in major Lantana infested Circles and submit the assessment report in a month's time.

Chairperson Executive Committee directed to all field offices to ensure construction of toilet in every building of Forest Department.

EC suggested that before distribution of funds under forest fire prevention and control operation activity a detailed plan should be prepared and funds should be allotted for activities accordingly. Forest fighting equipments, maintenance of fire line, creation of fire line, fire watchers, mobility etc. should be incorporated as major activities in the plan.

CCF (FP & FC) Bilaspur requested to prepare a comprehensive plan of Rs. 6.00 crore as per proposed APO and to submit the same to this office for further scrutiny & approval.

EC suggested that in every village one natural spring will be taken up for rejuvenation of the same to benefit the local communities.

Chairperson, Executive Committee suggested that in CAMPA innovative activities should to be proposed, which conserve and enrich the Forest and in coordination/collaboration with other departments. Proper waste disposal management plan should be prepared so that the forests could be saved by waste disposal and an awareness programme should be started to aware communities regarding proper waste disposal system.

#### **AGENDA ITEM – 8.4**

##### **Revision of Emoluments of Contractual Staff of HP State Authority**

The Executive Committee is apprised that following manpower deployed through NRTC parwanoo & NIELIT Shimla are working in the O/o the HP State Authority, CAMPA:

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Nos.</b>
1	Project Manager	1
2	Computer Operator	5
3	MPW/MTS	3
	<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>

Vide HP Govt. office memorandum No. Fin (c) –B(7)-2/2021 dated 12.01.2022 revised the monthly emoluments of the State Government employees to a fixed amount, equal to 60% (sixty percent) of the first cell of the applicable level of the Pay Matrix of the corresponding cadre of employees, appointed/working on regular basis. In view of this, it is proposed to revise the monthly contractual emoluments of the Project Manager from Rs. 21,000 to Rs. 33,660 and the Computer Operators from Rs. 15,500 to Rs. 21,600/- and also allow annual increase in emolument @3% for further extended years. Further it is proposed that the CEO, HP State Authority, CAMPA may be authorized to revise the wages of MPW/MTS at his own level as & when the same are revised by the HP Govt. in future.

**Decision Taken:** The Executive Committee, after detailed discussions and deliberations, approved the proposal to enhance the emoluments of Project Manager & Computer Operators w.e.f. 01.04.2023 with annual increase in emoluments @ 3% for further extended years and approved the proposal to authorize Chief Executive Officer, HP State Authority, CAMPA to revise the wages of MPW/MTS at his own level as & when the same are revised by the HP Govt. in future as per proposal.

#### **AGENDA ITEM – 8.5**

##### **Engagement of Contractual Services against CAT Plan Holi Bajoli**

The Executive Committee is apprised that approval was given to engage 2 Nos. of Computer Operator/Data Entry Operator and 3 Nos. of Multi-purpose under the **component operational support in ongoing CAT Plans** in Bharmour Division. Now the funds under this component in ongoing CAT Plans in Bharmour Division are over and now there is no other source of funding to above mentioned staff.

**Decision Taken:** Executive Committee after detailed deliberations and discussion on the matter suggested that the expenditure for emoluments upto 31.03.2023 will be met up with the contingency and from 01.04.2023 onwards services of all the mentioned staff should be dispensed with as there is no budget left in the CAT Plan Holi Bajoli and if their performance is good their services may be taken in some other CAT Plans if provision is there, or priority should be given to their services as and when required under CAMPA/CAT Plan works.

#### **AGENDA ITEM – 8.6**

##### **Execution of Approved CA Schemes in the Field**

The Executive Committee is apprised that the user agency deposits the funds against CA Stipulation under FCA diversion cases and the approved CA schemes. CA plantations are to be carried out but it has been observed that against approved CA schemes areas which was previously approved/considered under the approved CA schemes is currently not available because the sites are either taken up under departmental plantations or the sites are no more suitable for plantation as the site is either infected by lantana or local people resisting to close the area. Field units are reporting that due to non-availability of said areas CA plantations cannot be undertaken thus creating a backlog to be compensated by the HP State Authority, CAMPA.

**Decision Taken:** Executive Committee after detailed discussions and deliberations on the matter suggested that the revised proposal have to be submitted to Govt. of India within the budget outlay already approved for that scheme being the competent authority in the matter.

#### **AGENDA ITEM – 8.7**

##### **Development of HP State Authority (CAMP A) Website**

Executive Committee is apprised that as per the provisions of RTI Act, 2005 and Rules framed therein and as per CAF Act, 2016 at 19(xi) i.e. maintain and update public information system on the State Authority and present all information on its transaction in the public domain; need is felt to put the information pertaining to HP State Authority, CAMP A in the public domain. Hence proposal for according approval to launch independent website of HP State Authority is placed before EC for consideration.

**Decision Taken:** The Executive Committee approved the development of new independent website of HP State Authority.

#### **AGENDA ITEM – 8.8**

##### **Project on Quality Seedlings Production by Using Mycorrhizal Biotechnology by HFRI**

Executive Committee is apprised that the HFRI has submitted project proposal amounting to Rs. 35.16 lakh to be covered in 3 years. The project proposal has the following objectives:

1. To produce the planting stock by artificial inoculation with mycorrhizal fungi in the nurseries of HP Forest Department.
2. To evaluate the growth and development of artificially inoculated seedlings under nursery and field conditions.
3. Capacity building of field functionaries of HP Forest Department on mycorrhizal biotechnology and production of quality planting stock.

**Decision Taken:** The Executive Committee reviewed the project proposal thoroughly and after detailed discussions and deliberations approved the same subject to submission of revised proposal as discussed with the Director HFRI during presentation made by him and his team at Talland on 21.01.2023.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.

(Nagesh Kumar, IFS)

**Member Secretary**  
**Executive Committee-cum-CEO**  
**HP State Authority**

(Ajay Srivastav, IFS)

**Chairperson**  
**Executive Committee HP State Authority**  
**-cum-Pr. CCF (HoFF) HP**

**Annexure - A**

**List of Participants**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Name (Mr./Mrs./Ms.)</b>	<b>Designation</b>	<b>Name of Department</b>	<b>Contact No.</b>
1	Ajay Shrivastva	Chairperson, Executive Committee	HPFD	-
2	Rajesh J Ekka	PCCF (R&T) S/nagar	HPFD	98681-57056
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4	Ajit Thakur	CCF, Rampur	HPFD	94180-74901
5	Anil Kumar Sharma	CCF, Bilaspur	HPFD	94180-77275
6	Abhilash Damodran	CF (IT)	HPFD	94177-50571
7	Saroj Verma	DFO (HQ) WL	HPFD	94184-58094
8	Arun Ojha	Jt. Director	Treasuries	94784-60120
9	Ravinder Kumar	Dy. Director	Planning	94181-58451
10	Devinder Singh	ASCO (Engg.)	Agriculture	94180-54020
11	Kewal Sharma	Addl. Director	Panchayati Raj	94186-26511
12	Khem Chand	Research Officer	Tribal Development	94189-89771
13	Vikram Jeet Singh	Tehsildar	Revenue Department	94180-20304
14	Ajay Upadhyay	Jt. Controller-cum- Financial Advisor CAMPA	HPFD	94598-46860
15	Nagesh Kumar Guleria	CEO, CAMPA	HPFD	94180-00160
		Dy. CEO, CAMPA		
16	Preeti Bhandari	DCF, SFDA	HPFD	94180-14666
		DCF, Finance		