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To

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Sir,

Sub : Implementation of works funded by KIIFB – regarding

Ref : 1. Govt. Order GO (Rt) No. 35/2016/F&WLD dated 21/10/2016

2. Govt. Order GO (Rt) No. 286/2024/F&WLD dated 30/06/2024

Government vide reference cited above had sanctioned Rs. 110 crore under KIIFB Phase I and Rs. 110 crore under KIIFB Phase II respectively for undertaking different activities aimed at mitigating Human Wildlife Conflict. The components of the work revolve around wildlife management and to mitigate human wildlife conflict. The progress of the KIIFB works are being reviewed by the CPS to the Hon'ble Chief Minister every month.

Presently, the following new activities are planned as per the projects approved by KIIFB.

### **KIIFB Phase I (Rs. 53.62 crore)**

1. Voluntary Relocation of 275 families in 13 settlements in Wayanad district (Rs. 41.25 crore) – Applications are being collected.
2. Establishment of 124 km of Hanging Solar Fence at an estimated cost of Rs. 12.37 crore (This is proposed to be undertaken through an accredited Government Agency who shall function as PMC to the SFDA. Tenders shall be invited by SFDA for executing the work through the contractor who has quoted the L1 bid)

Note: The decision to implement the projects centrally is to ensure timely completion of works. Past experience of delegating the works to circles has led to inordinate delay.

Further KIIFB funding is different from other sources like ongoing government schemes, NABARD etc. as every item of work has to be submitted in the form of DPR in Price software to KIIFB who will scrutinize tender documents, contract documents, monitor the work and finalize payment after field inspection.

## **KIIFB Phase II (Rs. 110 crore)**

1. Voluntary Relocation of 453 families in 41 settlements in the State (**Rs. 67.95 crore**) – Applications are being collected.

2. Implementation of Civil works (**Rs. 16.75 crore**)

a.	Construction of 80 check dams ( <b>Rs. 8 crore</b> )	Agreement signed with Kerala Irrigation Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd., who shall function as PMC (with 3.5% as PMC charges) for assisting the SFDA to prepare estimates, tender documents, monitoring and evaluation, preparation of work bills for effecting payment. SFDA shall invite tenders and award the works to the contractor who quotes the L1 bid.
b.	Construction of 15 watch towers ( <b>Rs. 3.75 crore</b> )	
c.	Construction / improvement of 5 hospice centers at Muthanga / Dhoni / Abharanyam / Neyyar / Perambra ( <b>Rs. 5 crore</b> )	

3. Improving visibility in human settlements (**Rs. 8 crore**)

a.	Setting up of 1000 Solar Lights in human settlements	Agreement signed with ANERT who shall function as PMC (with 2% as PMC charges) for assisting the SFDA to prepare estimates, tender documents, monitoring and evaluation, preparation of work bills for effecting payment. SFDA shall invite tenders and award the works to the contractor who quotes the L1 bid.
b.	Setting up of 100 High Mast Solar Lights in human settlements	

4. Purchase of equipment (**17.28 crore**)

a.	Purchase of 50 Guns (12 bore pump action gun)	Invoices have been obtained directly from the Ministry of Defense.
b.	Purchase of 5000 ammunition	
c.	Purchase of 25 (4x4 vehicles)	Procurement to be affected through the GEM Portal
c.	Purchase of 100 drones and 10 thermal sensor drones	Procurement shall be made through a. GEM Portal (or) b. Expression of Interest if the products are not extensively available in GEM Portal
d.	Purchase of 400 nos. of AI based camera systems	
e.	Purchase of 1000 camera traps	
f.	Purchase of 10 Radio collars	
g.	RRT Kit (25 nos) – Purchase of tranquilizers, night vision cameras, cages etc.	

## 5. Studies

a.	(i) Alternate Cropping Pattern as a means to mitigate human wildlife conflict (ii) Biological barriers to mitigate human wildlife conflict (iii) Traditional knowledge available with tribal communities	Expression of Interest invited and RFP document circulated. Work will be awarded after technical and financial evaluation of bids. Funding will be borne by SFDA.
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## 6. Exposure visit to forest officials for studying biological methods to mitigate HWC

a.	Exposure visit to frontline staff planned in phases @ 33 officials at a time for about 100 officials during 2025.	Action taken for providing training by Wildlife Research and Conservation Society, Pune at Kulgi, near Hubli in Karnataka. The funding for the training will be borne by SFDA.
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It is proposed to undertake the work by

- a. inviting e-tenders for civil works and procurement of those items which are available in GEM Portal
- b. invite Expression of Interest route for procurement of items which are not extensively available in GEM Portal
- c. place orders for those items where are supplied only by Government, like arms and ammunitions

As action has just been initiated to implement the works and procure various equipment, if there are any suggestions, for adopting alternate approaches to implement the Project, the same may please be informed within the week. If no response is received, the SFDA / ETW Wing will implement the Projects as per existing norms as detailed above.

Yours faithfully,



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