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## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest and Wildlife Department - KIIFB - Project FOR001-00 for "Fencing along forest boundary under the Special Investment Plan" - Phase II - Administrative Sanction - Accorded - Orders issued.

**FOREST & WILDLIFE (D) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(Ms)No.46/2018/F&WLD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 12/11/2018

Read: 1) G.O (Ms) No. 315/2016/Fin dated 08-08-2016.

2) G.O (Ms) No.35/2016/F&WLD dated 21-10-2016.

3) G.O.(Ms) No.40/2018/F&WLD dated, 13/09/2018.

4) Letters No. E&TW1-54448/2016 dated 06/10/2018 from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FM), Thiruvananthapuram.

**ORDER**

The Detailed Project report for "Fencing along forest boundary" was approved with the following components for Rs.100 crores. As per the GOs read as 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above administrative sanction was accorded for the project 'Fencing along forest boundary - Phase I' for an amount of Rs. 25 crores with KIIFB financial assistance.

1)	Solar Fence @ Rs. 1.8 lakh/km for 220.50 km.	Rs.396.9 lakhs
2)	Elephant proof wall @ Rs. 140.00 lakhs/ km for 11.5 km.	Rs.1610.00 lakhs
3)	Rail Fence @ Rs. 150 lakh/km for 26 km.	Rs.3900.00 lakhs
4)	Stone pitched trenches @ Rs.95 lakh/ km for 7 km	Rs.665.00 lakhs
5)	Steel Fencing @ Rs.132 lakh/ km for 26 km.	Rs.3432.00 lakhs
	Total ( Rs.in lakhs)	Rs.10003.90

As per letter read as 4<sup>th</sup> paper above Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FM) has reported that, as the above barriers are quite expensive, there is a need to review the different physical barriers, reduce the high cost interventions and introduce the crash guard steel rope fence which is a much cheaper but efficient option as a physical barrier. This option was recently constructed on a pilot basis at Mankulam Forest Division for 1.2 km and its

design is being tested by IIT, Palakkad so as to replicate it on a bigger scale elsewhere. Hence in Phase II of the project crash guard steel rope fence has been included replacing other high cost physical barriers and while doing so the **total length of all barriers** included in the **initial DPR** (291 KM) will not be reduced but, in fact, will be slightly increased (296.9 KM). In view of this, the saving on account of the change in the components of the physical barriers can be used for relocating willing families from the enclosures within the forests and the habitations along the forest periphery. This change has been agreed in principle by Member Secretary, KIIFB in the last meeting held on 26.09.2018.

In the circumstances, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FM) has modified the project proposal for Phase II by including Crash guard steel rope fence and relocation of families inside / at the periphery of forest as two new components replacing costlier barriers like Steel fence, Stone pitched trench and part of Rail fence already approved in the original Detailed Project Report and requested Government to accord administrative sanction to the same. A summary of works proposed under the Project 'Fencing along forest boundary' revised Phase II comes to the tune of Rs.73.61Crore (Seventy three crores and sixty one lakhs only) as below:

<b>Modified Phase II proposal</b>				
<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Name of Work</b>	<b>Length (in km)</b>	<b>No of beneficiary families (Nos)</b>	<b>Amount Required (Rs. in lakh)</b>
1	Solar fence	136.70	--	246.06
2	Crash guard steel rope fence	42	--	2100.00
3	Relocation of families	--	497	4970.00
	Elephant proof wall	0.3	--	45.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>7361.00</b>

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to accord Revised Administrative Sanction for the project 'Fencing Along Forest Boundary' - Phase II for an amount of Rs.73.61 Crore (Seventy three crores and sixty one lakhs only) as proposed above with KIIFB assistance.

State Forest Development Agency (SFDA) is designated as the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for the implementation of the project.

(By order of the Governor)

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**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY**

To

1. The Chief Executive Officer, Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Felicity Square, MG Road, Statue, Thiruvananthapuram.
2. The Secretary, Finance (Infra) Department.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Forces, Thiruvananthapuram.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Thiruvananthapuram.
5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FM), Thiruvananthapuram.
6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (E&TW), Thiruvananthapuram.
7. The Chief Executive Officer, Thrissur Forest Development Agency, Thiruvananthapuram.
8. The Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
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