## MINUTES OF THE $10^{\text{TH}}$ MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, GOA STATE CAMPA HELD IN THE CHAMBER OF PCCF ON 14/08/2015 AT 11:00HRS

The 10th meeting of the Executive Committee of Goa State CAMPA was held on 14/08/2015 at 11:00hrs in the chamber of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Panaji. The following members were present.

1.	Shri Ajai Saxena, IFS, PCCF	Chairman
2.	Shri M.K. Shambhu, IFS, CF (Cons.)	Member
3.	Shri N.D.Naik, DCF(P&S)	Member
4.	Shri Dilip Morajkar A.A.O	Member
5.	Shri Nirmal Kulkarni, H.W.W	Member
6.	Shri Philip Fernandes, H.W.W	Member
7.	Smt. Arti Chaudhary, IFS, DCF(M& E)	Member Secretary

The Chairman welcomed the members to the meeting and the following points were deliberated upon and the decisions taken were as below:

## **Agenda 1:** General APO 2015-16

As desired by the committee during the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, the reworked General APO 2015-16 was placed before the committee, after prioritising the works to be taken up under CAMPA as per the guidelines issued by MoEF in this regard. The same was deliberated upon and following decisions taken.

CAMPA Funds position as on 31st March 2015 was placed before the Committee. The expenditure  $vis \ \dot{a} \ vis$  the works completed was found to be satisfactory.

Shri Philip Fernandes remarked that the maintenance of the Plantations should include uprooting of Eupatorium for better survival of the young seedlings. It was clarified that tall seedlings are used for planting and the weeding is done around the seedling during maintenance of plantation. Once the seedlings establish,

Eupatorium is not likely to disturb its growth. Provision for eradication of Eupatorium has been kept under State Plan separately to avoid duplication of work.

Shri Nirmal Kulkarni put up a proposal that the Department should have an Automatic Weather Station. It is the first step towards providing accurate climate and weather data for wildlife managers, Foresters, Ecologists, Scientists, climate researchers and students of forestry. Those working on field botany, climate change, forestry, and conservation biology and agro forestry can use long-term data of this nature. The committee accepted the proposal and agreed to install one such Automatic Weather Station at the Forest Training School at Valpoi. An amount of 5 lakhs were allotted to Research & Utilisation Division for the purpose.

For the construction of Hostel block for Forest training school through GSIDC a provision for Rs. 1 crore was kept for the current year against the total estimate of about Rs. 3 crores allotted to Research & utilization (as per Gen APO 2014-15).

With the above minor modifications the General APO 2015-16 was approved by the Committee.

The meeting ended with a word of thanks to the Chair and all the members.

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