



## **ABSTRACT**

Environment, Climate change and Forest Department - Nature camps for Government School Students at Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve for Rs.6.00 lakh for the year 2024-2025 by utilizing the Discretionary fund of Secretary - Orders - Issued.

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### **ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTS (FR.7) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Ms)No.08**

**Dated: 03.01.2025**

**குரோதிவருடம், மார்கழி-19  
திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு-2055**

**Read:**

1. G.O. (Ms) No.334, Finance (BG.I) Department, dated 22.10.2022.
2. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, Letter No.WL6/30993/2024, Dated: 06.12.2024.

### **ORDER:**

In the Government Order first read above, the Government have enhanced the financial powers to Secretaries to Government to enable disposal of cases expeditiously without reference to Finance Department.

2. Nature Camp is an outdoor educational program designed to connect children or young adults with nature through immersive, hands-on experiences. These camps typically take place in natural settings such as forests, lakes or mountains and emphasize outdoor activities like hiking, wildlife observation, environmental education and much more. It is also aimed at creating greater awareness, understanding and empathy of children with and for the environment. In the letter second read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden has sent a proposal to conduct Nature camps for Government School Students at Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve. The detailed cost estimate for nature camp is summarized as follows:-

<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Total amount in Rupees</b>
1	Breakfast	50*40	2000
2	Snacks	50*30	1500
3	Lunch	100*40	4000
4	Remuneration for Naturalist	1500*2	3000
5	Handouts and interactive play materials	100*20	4000
6	Vehicle expenses	150*40	6000

7	Miscellaneous expenses	2800	1500
<b>Total cost / per camp</b>		<b>20000</b>	
Tentative number of students		1000	
Number of Camps needed		30	
<b>Total Cost proposed</b>		<b>6,00,000</b>	

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden has requested the Government to sanction a sum of Rs.6.00 lakh under the discretionary funds of Principal Secretary to Government for "Conducting Nature Camps for Government School Students at Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve".

4. Based on the orders issued in Government Order first read above, the Government after careful examination, sanction an amount of Rs.6,00,000/- (Rupees six lakh only) for "Conducting Nature Camps for Government School Students at Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve" for the year 2024-2025 by utilizing the Discretionary fund of Secretary.

5. The Section Officer, Bills section, Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 4 above.

6. The amount sanctioned in para 4 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

'3451 00 – Secretariat –Economic Services – 090 – Secretariat – AS – Grants for Unforeseen Expenditure provided to Secretaries to Government – 39901 - Miscellaneous'

**(DP Code: 3451-00-090-AS-399-01)**

7. This order does not require the concurrence of Finance Department as per G.O. (Ms) No.334, Finance (BG.I) Department, dated 22.10.2022.

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**P. SENTHILKUMAR  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To:-

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Chennai-32.  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Chennai-32.  
The Accountant General (A&E), Chennai-18.  
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-9

Copy to:-

The Section Officer,  
Environment, Climate Change and Forest (Bills / OP.II) Department, Chennai-9.  
The Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government,  
Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department,  
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**// FORWARDED BY ORDER //**

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**SECTION OFFICER**

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