



### **ABSTRACT**

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

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

G.O.(Ms)No.09

Dated: 03.01.2025

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Read:

1. G.O. (Ms) No.334, Finance (BG.I) Department, dated 22.10.2022.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Chief Wildlife Warden, Letter No.WL6/30993/2024, Dated:11.12.2024.

### **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 that connects children or young adults with nature through immersive, hands-on experiences. These camps typically take place in natural settings such as forests, lakes or hill areas and emphasize outdoor activities like trekking, wildlife observation, environmental education and much more. The goal is to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of the natural world, promote physical activity and teach valuable life skills. The "Nature experience" for children and teachers has vast potential to trigger their sensitivity towards nature appreciation and conservation, leading to positive environmental actions at different levels. It also aims to create 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 Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve. The detailed cost estimate for conducting nature camp for Government School Students at Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve are as follows:-

Sl. No	Category	Quantity	Expenses (in. Rupees)	Total amount (in. Rupees)
1	Breakfast	30	75.00	2,250.00
2.	Snacks	30	25.00	750.00
3.	Lunch	30	100.00	3,000.00

4.	Remuneration for naturalist	1	1,500.00	1,500.00
5.	Interactive play materials	30	150.00	4,500.00
6.	Vehicle expenses	30	150.00	4,500.00
7.	Miscellaneous expenses	1	3,500.00	3,500.00
	Total cost per camp			20,000.00
	Total cost for 30 camps @ 20000 per camp			6,00,000

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 "Nature camps for Government School Students at Sathyamangalam 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 Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve" for the year 2024-2025 by utilizing the Discretionary fund of Secretary.

5. The Section Officer, Bills section, Environment, Climate Change and Forest 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,

C.No.9177312/FR.7/2024

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SECTION OFFICER

3/11/25