

**MINUTES OF THE 2nd MEETING OF GOVERNING BODY OF STATE
AUTHORITY (CAMPA) HELD IN THE CHIEF MINISTER'S
CONFERENCE HALL on 03.12.2025 at 10.00 Hrs**

The 2nd meeting of Governing Body of State Authority (CAMPA) was held on 03.12.2025 at 10.00 Hrs under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister in the Conference Hall of Chief Minister's office, Mc Donald Hill, Zarkawt, Aizawl.

The list of members present is at *Annexure – I*.

After a brief welcome address, the Chairman invited Pu Rajeev Kumar Tiwari, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests to initiate the meeting. In his opening remarks, the PCCF informed that this was the second meeting of the Governing Body and the Hon'ble Chief Minister has also reviewed CAMPA working in general during the Department Review Meeting held earlier in the month of May 2025. He also briefed the members about the organization set up of CAMPA in the State of Mizoram being headed by a Governing Body and assisted by the Steering Committee and an Executive Committee in performance of its functions and powers under the Act.

With the permission of the Chair, he then invited Pi Arti Chaudhary, CCF & CEO CAMPA to make presentation on the agenda items for the meeting. The CEO, CAMPA, made a detailed presentation on the agenda items. The detailed agenda-wise deliberations and decisions are as below:

Agenda-I: Confirmation of minutes of Governing Body Meeting held on 19.03.2024

The Minutes of the Meeting of last Governing Body was issued on 17.04.2024. The Action taken on minutes was briefed to the members present. No comments were conveyed on the Minutes from any of the members, hence the Minutes are confirmed.

Agenda-II: Overview and Status of the CAMPA Fund in the State

The project-wise and year-wise details of 11768.89 Ha of forest land that had been diverted for non-forestry purpose till 2025-26 was shared with members present.

The Hon'ble Chairman and the members were briefed that an amount of Rs 212 crores was available with State CAMPA account as on 31.10.2025. The details of expenditure carried out under CA, NPV and other components for last three years as per approved APOs were also informed to the Governing Body.

Agenda- III: Progress Report and Annual Plan of Operations (APO) approval status

The status of total Compensatory Afforestation (CA) target of 12259.447 Ha (including Penal CA) for forest area diverted up to Sept 2025 was placed before the members. It was also informed that till last year total CA target of 11059.2121 Ha has been taken up and is in various stages of completion. During the current year APO 2025-26 an area of 436 ha is taken up for new advance works.

The implementation status of APO 2024-25 which was approved for an amount of Rs 22.77 crore was placed before the Governing Body. It was informed that an amount of Rs

16.59 cr for spill-over works has been approved by National Authority for implementation during current year. The details of major activities taken up were also briefed to members present.

It was further informed that in addition to the approval for spill-over of last year APO, the current year APO 2025-26 has also been approved and sanctioned by the Executive Committee of National CAMPA in November 2025 for a total amount of Rs 21.28 crores. Accordingly, the department is in process of seeking expenditure sanction for the proposed activities. The details of activities proposed in the current year APO were also informed to the members present.

The Chief Secretary suggested to increase the outlay of Annual Plan of Operations to the permissible limit of the available NPV funds at balance as against the present outlay of only 10%. The PCCF briefed the Hon'ble Chairman and the members that the combined outlay of Spill over works of APO 2024-25 (Rs 16.59 cr) and new APO 2025-26 (Rs 21.28 cr) being implemented during the current year is Rs 37.87 cr. However, considering the limited resources and manpower available in the implementing Divisions it is very challenging for the DFOs to meet the timeline of completion of planned activities maintaining prescribed standards of quality of work, necessary documentation and record keeping etc. Further, as most of the department activities such as plantations, fire management, SMC works etc are seasonal in nature, therefore delayed expenditure sanctions and untimely fund release after the season is over, results in the works being forced to become spilled over to next year. Efforts are being made to improve capacity building within the department for enhanced utilization of CAMPA funds in future.

The Chairman appreciated the emphasis given on demarcation of forest areas in the APO and desired that the incidents of boundary disputes be handled amicably during the process of demarcation in fringe forest areas.

The Chairman enquired about the sharing of CAMPA APOs with Planning Department for better coordination. In this regard it was informed that the Secretary Planning & Programme Implementation Department is *inter alia* member of the Steering Committee and the Governing Body and his valuable inputs are taken during the APO formulation. Also, the draft APO is shared with the Secretary Planning & Programme Implementation department along with the minutes for information and reference.

The Chairman emphasized the need to promote and propagate the State Tree 'Indian Rose Chestnut, scientifically known as *Mesua ferrea*, a strong, slow-growing evergreen tree valued for its beautiful fragrant flowers and hard wood, also called Ironwood. The PCCF informed that during the current year also the department has been promoting the plantation of State Tree during the Green Mizoram Day and other plantation drives such as Plant for Mother initiatives of the MoEF&CC.

The Chairman further shared that the master plan for the Peace City in Serchip District (covering Thenzawl Forest Division) was under preparation and hence no major works or plantation activity (other than CA) should be taken up along roadsides or community areas without referring the master plan to avoid wasteful expenditure.

Decision – The Governing Body expressed satisfaction on the progress reported. Efforts should be made to utilise the full potential of available CAMPA funds in the State and increase the outlay of APO to optimum potential as per relevant Act, Rules & guidelines. It is also decided that the works/projects proposed under CAMPA fund should be put up to the Chairman for his approval.

Agenda IV : Status of Audit of CAMPA Account

The Governing Body was briefed that CAMPA Audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India has been completed for the period from 2019-20 to 2022-23 and the State Finance Audit Report till the year ending 31.03.2023 has been submitted.

The compliance audit of the accounts of the PCCF Office for the period from 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2025 was conducted by a team led by the Senior Audit Officer (I/O) from the office of the Principal Accountant General (PAG), Mizoram. The audit also included the compliance audit of CAMPA accounts for the same period. The report is received recently and is under perusal of the department.

The CEO CAMPA also briefed the Chairman that reconciliation with National Authority has been completed for Project-wise CAMPA funds deposited for the State of Mizoram upto 31.10.2025. Further, the reconciliation of data on Project-wise details along with Compensatory Afforestation against each proposal of Forest Land diversion since 1980 along with KML files has been verified with records of IRO Shillong and submitted to National Authority.

Decision – The Governing Body expressed satisfaction on the progress reported.

Agenda V : Status of 3rd Party Monitoring & Evaluation of CAMPA Works

The Third-Party Monitoring for CAMPA APO period 2020-21 and 2021-22 was completed by Save Environment Association (SENA), Mizoram and the Monitoring reports have been submitted up to the year 2021-22. The overall grading awarded in the report was 7.5 out of 10, falling under the "Very Good" category. The highlights of the report were placed before the Governing Body for its information.

The Hon'ble Chairman and the members were briefed that for subsequent years monitoring, the administrative approval for three years 2022-23 up to 2024-25 has been received. Accordingly, the tender for awarding Third Party Monitoring work for the subsequent years 2022-23 to 2024-25 has been floated recently in November 2025 in accordance with the National CAMPA, guidelines vide its letter dated 31/01/2025 for Monitoring & Evaluation, Verification, and Review of CAMPA activities.

Decision – The Governing Body expressed satisfaction on the progress reported.

Agenda VI : Action taken on the directions issued as per the review meeting of the Hon'ble Chief Minister held on august 2025.

The action taken on the directions issued in the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister on 20.8.2025 regarding CAMPA fund & its related matter were submitted to the members present. It was informed that details of

projects/ works taken up under CAMPA APO has been submitted to MSPMC. It was also informed that the proposal for creation of post of Finance Officer/Adviser not below the rank of Deputy Secretary has been initiated by the PCCF office and will be submitted at the earliest.

Decision – The Chairman directed that the Deputy Director (Accounts) posted with the PCCF office should be entrusted with the responsibility of CAMPA financial matters till the creation of post of Finance Officer/Adviser under CAMPA.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair and the participants.

Sd/- LALDUHOMA

Chief Minister, Mizoram

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Chairman, Governing Body Mizoram State CAMPA

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