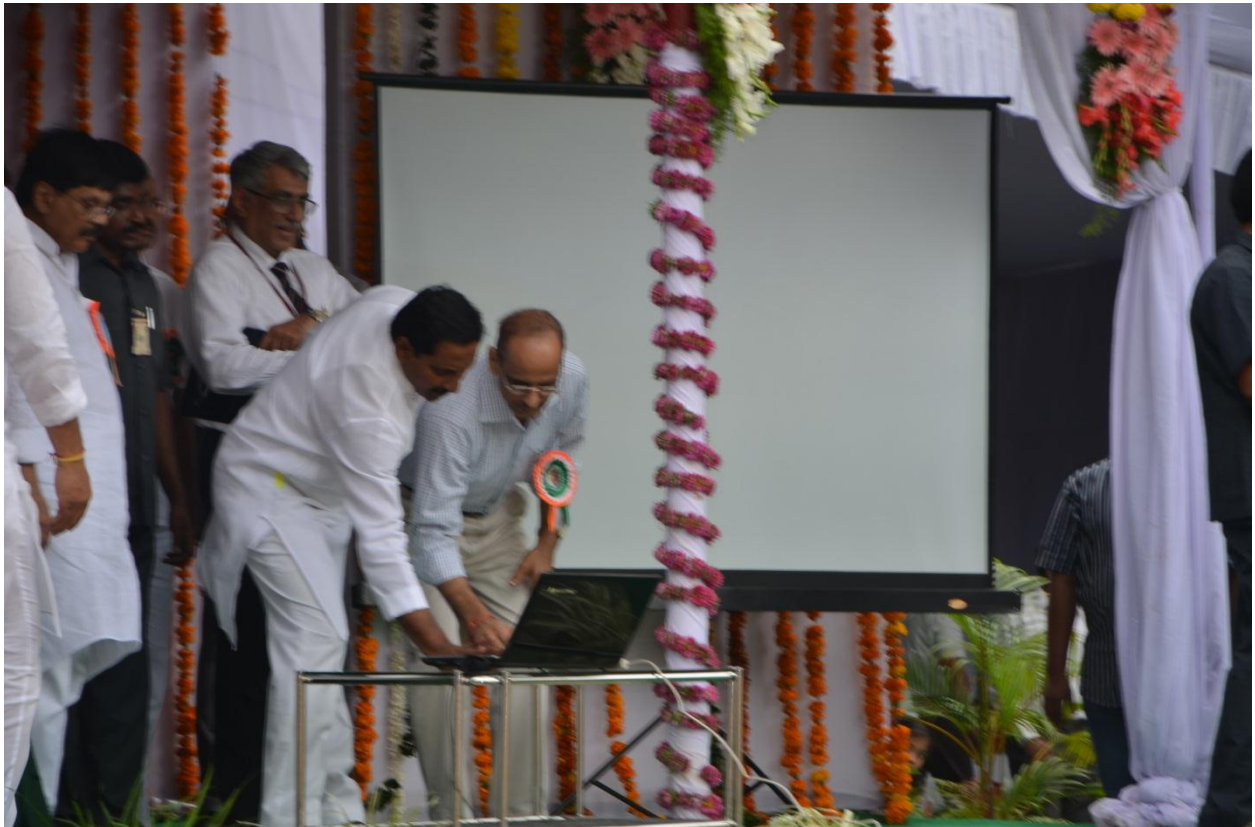


Rollout of e-Greenwatch portal in Andhra Pradesh

The Honorable Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, Sri N. Kiran Kumar Reddy rolled out “**e-Greenwatch portal**” with the data of Andhra Pradesh on 3rd Oct 2012, in the presence of his cabinet colleague and Dr. P. J. Dilip Kumar, Director General of Forests & Special Secretary, MoEF, New Delhi, Sri S.V. Kumar, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh and Sri Rajesh Kumar Pathak, Technical Director, NIC, New Delhi.



Hon'ble Chief Minister of AP, Sri N. Kiran Kumar Reddy rolling out e-Greenwatch portal along with Hon'ble Minister for Forest, Environment & Science and Technology, AP, Sri V. R. Satrucharla and Dr. P. J. Dilip Kumar, Director General (Forests)& SS, MoEF and Sri P. K. Sharma, Addl PCCF(IT), AP State Forest department



Sri R. K. Pathak, Technical Director, NIC, New Delhi with Sri P. K. Sharma, Addl PCCF(IT) and Sri H. C. Mishra, Addl PCCF(GIS), AP State Forest Department in photo gallery

e-Greenwatch Portal:-

Prelude:

The Honorable Supreme Court of India while reviewing the Compensatory Afforestation activities directed the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India in July 2009 to evolve an independent system for concurrent monitoring and evaluation of the works carried out in the States with Compensatory Afforestation (CA) and Net Present Value (NPV) funds given under CAMPA (Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority).

Pursuant to this order, meetings for the monitoring of CAMPA funds have been convened at the highest level with the erstwhile Hon'ble Minister of

State (Independent Charge) for Environment and Forests (Sri Jairam Ramesh) with Sri Sam Pitroda, Advisor to the Prime Minister of India on Public Information Infrastructure & Innovations and Dr. B. K. Gairola, DG(NIC), wherein it was decided to design and develop a comprehensive web-based and role-based workflow application evolving to an integrated information system (e-Greenwatch portal) that shall enable automating functions and activities related to monitoring. This in turn will provide transparency to the use of CAMPA funds and state of execution of various works sanctioned in the Annual Plan of Operations (State CAMPA) approved by the State Authorities. The conceived framework is proposed to be extended to include other programs of the forestry wing like National Afforestation Programme (NAP), Intensification of Forest Management Scheme (IFMS) etc. to bring in a standardized monitoring framework for the activities undertaken under the umbrella of the '**Green India Mission**'.

NIC was entrusted with the task of technical execution of the project by MoEF by virtue of its institutional framework, support services, in-house technical competence, national-level presence, infrastructure and vast experience of handling large e-governance projects. MoEF decided to rollout this portal in 5 states (i.e. Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Sikkim and Tripura) in the first phase. Subsequent phases are to follow in due course.

Objectives:

The objective of project CAMPA (e-Greenwatch) is to facilitate process of system automation in real time data capturing, storing, reporting and mining in all States for administrative and planning process. The system is also expected to capture details of all the diverted and acquired land under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 to infuse transparency, efficiency and accountability in CAMPA fund utilization. It is expected to evolve into a Knowledge Management (KM) system in forestry study and research in an era when call is to go green environmentally.