OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of 13th meeting of Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) on North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS)-Reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the minutes of 13th Meeting of the Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) as approved by the Competent Authority on North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DoNER on 22nd February, 2019 at 11.00 a.m. in Committee Room 243-A, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi for information and necessary action.

Encl. as above:

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To

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11. Shri Gulshan, E.E., Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
12. Shri Bihari Lal, Under Secretary, M/o Power, Govt. of India
13. Shri Prasir Kr. Mallik, Education Dept. Govt. of Tripura

Copy to:

1. PS to Hon’ble Minister of DoNER (i/c)
2. PS to Secretary, Ministry of DoNER
3. PS to Chief Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh/Nagaland/Tripura
4. Director (BNP), Ministry of DoNER
5. DS (IFD), Ministry of DoNER
6. SE, Technical Cell, Ministry of DoNER
7. Web Manager for uploading of the minutes of the meeting in the project portal.

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Sub: Minutes of 13th Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) / NESIDS Committee meeting held on 22nd February, 2019 at 11.00 a.m in the Committee Room-243-A, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DoNER.

The list of participants is at Annexure.

The meeting of 13th Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) on NESIDS was held on 22nd February, 2019 to discuss proposals for selection/sanction the projects of Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh and Tripura for funding under NESIDS.

2. At the outset, Secretary, DoNER welcomed the members of NESIDS Committee, representatives of the State Governments and the Line Ministries of Government of India after a brief round of introductions. Thereafter, JS (NLCP) made a brief presentation about the status of implementation of the NESIDS scheme spelling out the details of projects selected so far and the funds released against them. At the end of the briefing he placed following agenda items before the Committee for discussions and appropriate decisions:-

(A) Selection of Projects under NESIDS:-

i.

i. Five projects of Nagaland.

ii. One project of Tripura.

(B) Sanction of Projects under NESIDS:-

iii. Two projects of Arunachal Pradesh.

Accordingly, the State Government, Nagaland, represented by Chief Secretary and other officials made project-wise presentation and explained the proposals to the committee. The representatives of Tripura Government explained their proposal to the committee. The State Government of Arunachal Pradesh, represented by Chief Secretary and their officials including chairman of technical board, elaborated the SLEC
recommendations and justification. After detailed discussions, the Committee made the following recommendations:-

Nagaland

3. Selection of Projects of Nagaland under NESIDS:-

   i. Development of Tourism related infrastructure (Road with Heliport) at Tuophema tourist village:

   The State Government explained the objective to promote tourism and scope of the proposed project. Chief Secretary brought out that the Tuophema village is 41 km from Kohima and tourist footfall is in the range of seventy five thousand annually, which is envisaged to increase to one lakh after coming up the proposed facility. The tourist village is picturesque, pictorial and culture village with the motto to preserve the Naga Traditional Life Style. It was also brought out that besides the tourist village, the State Government has set up tourist destination at Tuophema within 4-5 km away from the village, aimed at being a get-away from the hectic life of the city, allowing people to and spend leisure time enjoying nature and experiencing the rural life. The annual 10 days Hornbill festival, which attracts lakhs of visitors to the State Capital Kohima, has visitors coming to Tuophema apart from the daily tourists visiting the place.

   After due deliberation, Committee recommended the project for funding of an amount of Rs. 17.79 Crore including 1% Labour Cess and 6% Central GST under NESIDS with the conditions that a specific waiver for a project less than Rs. 20.00 crore may be taken from MOS (IC), Ministry of DoNER.

   ii) Development of Water Supply infrastructure at Tuophema tourist village:

   The State Government explained the objective to promote tourism and scope of the proposed project. It was brought out that there is no comprehensive water supply system and the tourist village depends on the stream sources which don’t meet the requirement adequately. Chief Secretary explained the necessity to improve the water supply and importance of this project proposal to promote tourism.
After due deliberation, Committee recommended the project for funding of an amount of Rs.3.33 crore including 1% Labour Cess and 6% Central GST under NESIDS, with the conditions that a specific waiver for a project less than Rs. 20.00 crore may be taken from MOS (IC), Ministry of DoNER.

(iii) Up-gradation of road and bridge from NH 29 at 7th Mile Model Village to Siethekema “C” tourist destination onwards to Governor’s Camp (from Ch. 0.00 to 10.5 Km).

The State Government explained the objective to promote tourism and scope of the proposed project before the Committee. Chief Secretary brought out that Siethekema “C” is located 13 km from Dimapur and tourist footfall is in the range of 2.5 lakh annually, which is envisaged to increase substantially after coming up of the proposed facility. The proposed road will ultimately connect Viyto Village, where Eco-Tourism project has been proposed, under Swadesh-Darshan Scheme. Seithiekema has varied potential to be developed as a tourist hot spot as it is perched on the foothills of the Patkai mountain range, which is part of Arakan system extending upto Myanmar border. Triple Falls located at Seithiekema has three beautiful and glistening streams cascading from a height of 280 ft into a natural pool making the entire view stunning. The falls and the adjacent areas are well maintained by the tourism department of Nagaland with natural blooms. It was explained that this road will ultimately connect to the Governors Camp which is situated on the bank of river Doyang, with an exquisite view of the meandering river flowing into the plains of Assam. From Governors Camp, one can also drive to the “The Amur Falcon Capital” – Asha village area, cuddled away amidst serenity mountains of Wokha which is located near Doyang river. The representatives of the State Government brought out that the annual footfall is expected to touch 3 lakh figure once the project is completed.

After detailed discussion, Committee recommended the project for funding of Rs.32.83 crore including 1% Labour Cess and 6% Central GST under NESIDS.

(iv) Up-gradation of Road from Wokha HQ leading to Amur Falcon roosting site (N. Longidang) in Wokha District-23 Km.
The State Government explained the objectivity and scope of the proposed project before the Committee and intimated that the annual turnover of tourists is approximately between annual turnover of tourists is approximately 2.50 to 3.00 crore per year. Secretary, DoNER restated that project may be taken from the point where the road intersects Wokha – Merapani road which is being constructed by NHIDCL under NERSDS. Representative of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways mentioned that likely average expenditure on upgrading of road with intermediate lane comes out to be Rs. 2.50 to 3.00 crore. The committee suggested the road should ideally be Intermediate Lane Road. State Government requested to prepare the DPR accordingly. The committee recommended that a stretch of road may be upgraded to IRC standard with an overall cost of Rs. 22.74 crore.

After detailed discussion, the Committee recommended the project in conformity with above suggestions for funding of an amount of Rs. 22.74 Crore including 1% Labour Cess and 6% Central GST under NESIDS.

(v) Scheme for providing stable power supply to Mon District.

The State Government explained that the project is to improve the power stability in Mon, Naganimora and Tizit, by providing 66/11 KV substation of capacity 20 MVA and replacing the insulators of 66 KV line from Mokokchung to Mon. The representatives of State Government briefed the committee that Mon district is located in the eastern part of Nagaland, bordering with Myanmar and Assam. It is the land of the captivating Konyak Nagas whose culture and traditions are an attraction to tourists. Every year a large number of both domestic and foreign tourists visit the Mon district to see places like Longwa, Sangwu and famous Veda peak, etc., and to witness its unique rich culture and traditions. Other than Kohima, Mon district gets the most number of tourists, both domestic and international. It is estimated that during the past few years, more than 1,50,000 tourists have visited the District. The representatives of the State Government explained the necessity for strengthening 66 KV line and setting up of a new 20 MVA Sub Station in Mon.

After detailed discussion, the Committee recommended the project for funding of an amount of Rs. 22.74 Crore under NESIDS, subject to the confirmation by State Government / Ministry of Power that no money is available / catered for under Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS) for this proposed project.
4. Sanction of projects of Arunachal Pradesh under NESIDS:

SLEC, Arunachal Pradesh, in its meeting on 18.02.2019, recommended the following 2 projects for sanction.

After due deliberation and taking into account the Minutes along with the technical notes of SLEC meeting dated 18.02.2019, the committee recommended following two projects for sanction under NESIDS, at the vetted cost as deliberated, with the condition that a specific waiver for project at SNO.2 below, being less than Rs. 20.00 crore, may be taken from MOS (IC), Ministry of DoNER.

(Rs. in lakhs)

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5. Tripura

Construction of 250 Capacity Boys & 250 Capacity Girls Hostel with 180 mtr. Boundary wall at SCERT Complex, Agartala, West Tripura (Cost: Rs. 30.08 crore).

The Committee was briefed that the State Government has submitted the project “Construction of 250 Capacity Boys & 250 Capacity Girls Hostel with 180 mtr. Boundary wall at SCERT Complex, Agartala, West Tripura (Cost: Rs. 30.08 crore)” for funding under NESIDS against the likely savings of Rs. 14.00 crore in the ongoing NLCPR project of Tripura namely “Tripura Institute of Technology (TIT) phase–II”. Secretary, Higher
Education, Government of Tripura made a short presentation before the Committee elaborating different aspects of the project. The Committee appreciated the vision behind the project and recommended that the project could be considered for funding to the extent of the exact savings against the ongoing TIT phase-II project subject to following conditions:-

a. comments from Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India
b. concurrence of IFD on the exact savings in the TIT phase-II project.
c. commitment from the State Government that the DPR would be prepared for the entire project of Rs. 30.08 crore and the balance funds over and above the exact savings in the project TIT phase-II, would be arranged by them.

6. The Committee also discussed at length and recommended followings:

   i) Labour Cess will be admissible under NESIDS and will be borne from the Central Government.

   ii) Where ever State Government asks for GST Over and above SSR, only Central GST will be admissible and borne by the Central Government.

7. The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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14. All concerned Officers of Planning & and concerned implementing department of Government Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh were present on Video Conference.