

**No. Coord-14/8/2021-O/o US(NLCPR)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region**  
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R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110066.  
Dated, the 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee held on 09.09.2022 at 12:00 noon and on 14.09.2022 at 03:30 PM under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region through Video Conferencing (VC).**

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee, as approved by the Competent Authority, held on 09.09.2022 at 12:00 noon and on 14.09.2022 at 03.30 P.M. under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER for information and necessary action.

Encl: As above.



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- i. Chief Secretary, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
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- iii. Chief Secretary, Government of Nagaland, Kohima.
- iv. Chief Secretary, Government of Tripura, Agartala.

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- i. CEO, NITI Aayog NITI Aayog, Sansad Marg , New Delhi 110001.
- ii. Home Secretary, North Block, New Delhi-110001.
- iii. Secretary (Expenditure), Deptt. of Expenditure, Min. of Finance, New Delhi.
- iv. Foreign Secretary, Min. of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi.
- v. Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
- vi. Secretary, Ministry of Power, Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi.
- vii. Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, New Dehli.
- viii. Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways, Transport Bhawan, New Delhi.
- ix. Secretary, Housing and Urban Affairs, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
- x. Secretary, Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation, New Delhi.
- xi. Secretary, Min. of Women and Child Development, New Delhi.

Copy also to:

- i. PS to Hon'ble Minister, MDoNER, New Delhi.
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- v. Joint Secretary (Infrastructure Wing), Ministry of DoNER
- vi. DS (IFD)/DS(AM)/ DS(SDM), MDoNER.

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The 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee was held on 09.09.2022 at 12:00 noon and continued on 14.09.2022 at 03:30 PM to consider the proposals received from State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura. The cases considered therein were those requiring revised sanction for various reasons - viz., for change in scope of work, for condonation of delay in issue of work orders etc. - in respect of the projects sanctioned under North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) and Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) schemes. List of participants is at **Annexure-I** and **Annexure II**.

2. At the outset, Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) welcomed the representatives of State Governments and members of IMC / NESIDS Committee and line Ministries of the Government of India. Thereafter, the Committee took up the following proposals for detailed discussion and recommended as detailed below each of these:-

**ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

3. **Project “Construction of road from Rumgong to connect Kaying (64 kms) – Molom to Bogne village 23 kms in Siang district” in Arunachal Pradesh under NESIDS –For consideration for cancellation of the project.**

3.1 The officials of the Ministry pointed out that this project had been sanctioned in 2019, and since no work order had been received in the Ministry so far, the project needs to be cancelled. Commissioner (Home), Government of Arunachal Pradesh along with the officials of the State Government participated in the meeting through VC. Representatives of the State Government stated that the work order of the project could not be issued due to an ongoing court case in the project. Hence, the representative of the State Government requested not to cancel the project.

3.2 Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with all its enclosures, is at **Annexure-A**.

3.3 **After due deliberations, in the meetings held on 09.09.2022 and 14.09.2022, the Committee gave directions to State Government to reassess the timelines in which the court case may reasonably be expected to be cleared in a manner which would allow the project to commence. Subsequently, the matter should be placed before the SLEC for consideration / appropriate recommendation, before putting it up for consideration of IMC / NESIDS Committee.**

4. **05 proposals of Arunachal Pradesh related to issue of multiple work orders, splitting of work, awarding of work without call of tender and change in scope of work.**

4.1 The following five (5) proposals were placed before the Committee. The representative of the State Government informed that prior to Year 2013-14, the works were awarded by the State Government on nomination basis and after 2013-14 and onward, works are being awarded by following the due tender process. Therefore, all the projects from Sl. No. i to v in the Table hereafter, for which the work orders were issued prior to 2013-14, were awarded on nomination basis. The respective proposals are also indicated - essentially these seek further release of

funds for progressing hitherto incomplete works, despite procedural issues pertaining to non-call of tenders, multiple work orders, splitting of work and change in scope of work etc.

S. No.	Name of Project	Cost (Rs. in crore)	IMC proposal
i.	Project Construction of 2x3.15 MVA, 33/11 KV S/S at Seppa including distribution transformers and associated 11 KV link line, East Kameng District in Arunachal Pradesh under NLCPR scheme-	8.36	For consideration of the issue of multiple work orders and splitting of work and change in scope of work.
ii.	Project "Construction of road from BRTF road (32.00 km) to Heya Mara via Poda Mara, Merring Mara under Taliha Circle (Ph-I) 15.00 km upto WBM level in upper Subansiri district in Arunachal Pradesh" under NLCPR scheme-.	15.42	For consideration of the issue of multiple work orders and splitting of work
iii.	Project "Augmentation of water supply under Boleng PHE Sub-Division, East Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh" under NLCPR scheme-	7.66	For consideration of the issue of non execution of work on turnkey basis
iv.	Project "Construction of road from BRO road (4 KM point) on Anini Dambuine road to Etabe (12 KM) in Dibang Valley District" in Arunachal Pradesh.	22.14	For consideration of the issue of multiple work orders and splitting of work.
v.	Project "Infrastructure development of Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya at Dado in Arunachal Pradesh' under NLCPR scheme" -	7.10	For consideration of the issue of non-compliance to the conditions of Administrative & Financial Approval of the project i.e. award of work of the project without call of tender

**4.2** During deliberations, the officials of the State Government stated that apart from these five projects, there are at least nine more proposals seeking consideration on essentially similar grounds.

**4.3** Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with all its enclosures, in respect of aforementioned projects is at **Annexure-B, Annexure-C, Annexure-D, Annexure-E & Annexure-F respectively.**

**4.4** After due deliberations in the meetings held on 09.09.2022 and 14.09.2022 it was decided that the State Government may give a comprehensive status report through the SLEC for all such projects, mentioning clearly project-wise the procedures adhered in tendering process, reasons for not taking steps as per the scheme guideline if any therein, whether progress of works were commensurate with funds released etc., and the justification for seeking any reconsideration by the IMC / NESIDS committee duly.

## **MEGHALAYA**

**5. Project "Construction of Shopping complex cum Auditorium near Lumshad, Lad, Mawngap, East Khasi Hills in Meghalaya under NLCPR" – For cost escalation.**

**5.1** The representative of the State Government informed that the project for "**Construction of Shopping Complex-cum-Auditorium near Lumshad, Lad Mawngap East Khasi Hills**"

was recommended for funding by Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) for NLCPR in its 64<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 27.01.2009 at an estimated cost of ₹ 231.37 Lakh. The Administrative and Financial Sanction (AFS) in respect of the project was issued on 20.02.2009. Representative of State Government informed that the implementation of project was delayed due to an 11-KV line passing through the project site, which was shifted in October, 2010. Further, after multiple show-cause notices to the contractor, the work started in July, 2012 but again stopped in October, 2012 after completion of site preparation only.

**5.2** The contractor submitted the petition expressing the inability to go ahead with the work at the allotted rate, due to inordinate delayed of the project and high cost of building material and labour charges ; and requested to enhance the rate at 75 % above S.O.R. (B) for the year 2004-05. It was decided in a meeting held under the chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER on 30.06.2022 that a proposal for change in the scope / escalation of the project cost of the project.would have to be provided to the Ministry of DoNER along with the requisite information through the SLEC - to be placed duly before the IMC for its consideration.

**5.3** In this regard, it was made clear that the scope of the project was not possible to be considered for a change ; and that the liability of the Ministry of DoNER shall be limited to 90% of the originally sanctioned cost of the project, viz. Rs.208.23 Lakh against the originally sanctioned total cost of Rs.231.37 lakh for the project. Any cost escalation shall be borne by the Government of Meghalaya from its own resources. State Government had agreed to the same ; and has now indicated that the cost estimate of project is likely to be Rs.6.27 crore ; and accordingly submitted the proposal for escalation in cost of the project from Rs. 231.37 Lakh to Rs. 627.00 Lakh.

**5.4** Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with all its enclosures, is at **Annexure-G**.

**5.5** After due deliberation, the Committee deferred the proposal for revision in cost of project in respect of the project “Construction of Shopping complex-cum-Auditorium near Lumshad, Lad, Mawngap, East Khasi Hills” with the advice that the State Government has to first go for tendering the work and then resubmit the proposal for consideration of IMC / NESIDS Committee with the finalized cost of the project accordingly, to avoid repeated proposals for change in the sanctioned cost of the project. The State Government was also advised to float the tender expeditiously, to avoid further cost escalation.

## **6. International Centre for Performing Arts and Culture, Shillong in Meghalaya under NLCPR - For change in scope of work.**

**6.1** The representative of the State Government informed that the Project for "Construction of International Centre for Performing Arts & Culture, Shillong" was sanctioned at a cost of Rs.151.33 crore, in 124<sup>th</sup> meeting of NLCPR Committee held on 26.03.2017. The project was discussed in a review meeting held under the chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER on 30.06.2022, wherein it was agreed that the Planning Department of Meghalaya would make a suitable proposal at the earliest to SLEC for considering duly the change of scope for the project. This should inter alia mention clearly each sanctioned component of the project vis-a-vis the component correspondingly proposed to be actually executed - with cost breakups. It was also clarified that the resultant additionality / escalation in the project cost, if any, shall be borne by the Government of Meghalaya from its own resources and Ministry of DoNER's share shall not exceed Rs.13619.98 Lakh (viz. 90% of the already approved total project cost of Rs.15133.14 Lakh). Accordingly, the Planning Department, Government of Meghalaya has now submitted the proposal with SLEC recommendation.

**6.2** The representative of the State Government further informed that the change in scope of the project is necessary, as the Black Box Theatre is now designed for performing skits, dramas and cultural programmes etc. Therefore, it is not required to have a rotating stage as was approved in the original sanction, but a fixed stage screening theater. Further, while the

originally proposed project layout was over 36 acre land, it was realized during the implementation process that enough area was not provided for parking, circulation of visitors, approach etc. in the original design. Accordingly, additional 5 acre land was made available as additional parking area for the project - hence, the boundary wall for the campus is required to be re-designed necessitating increased length and cost of the boundary wall and approach. State Government also informed that the project along with the modifications proposed would be completed by December, 2022.

**6.3** Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with all its enclosures, is at **Annexure-H**

**6.4** After due deliberation, the Committee recommended the proposal of necessary changes in scope of work of the project 'International Centre for Performing Arts and Culture, Shillong in Meghalaya under NLCPR' at a cost of Rs. 151.33 crore subject to the condition that funding from the Ministry of DoNER would be limited to Rs. 136.19 Crore (90% of sanctioned cost) only and funds over and above the same would be arranged by the State Government from their own resources. The State Government was also advised to complete the balance works expeditiously, to avoid further delays in completion and any more cost escalations.

## **NAGALAND**

**7. Project proposal: "Strengthening of Health Infrastructure of various Health Facilities in Nagaland" for change in location, Scope and reduction in cost.**

**7.1** Representative of the State Government stated that the project was sanctioned at a cost of Rs.21.01 crore on the recommendation of IMC / NESIDS Committee in its 26<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 26.02.2021. The Administrative and Financial Sanction was issued on 24.03.2021. The proposal of change of location has now been proposed by the State Government of Nagaland due to land ownership issues at original site.

**7.2** Resultantly, the scope of work has been slightly increased - i.e. from 46500 sq.ft to 49649 sq.ft (increase of 3149 sq.ft). The construction area of the project was informed to have increased slightly thus due to increase in plinth area as per site requirement at the proposed new location. As per minutes of SLEC meeting, the concerned Department has already stated that there is no change in the cost, equipment, area, capacity and quantity of the project. The capacity and other specifications of the proposed hospital remain the same. The revised DPR of the project has been vetted by National Institute of Technology, Nagaland.

**7.3** Representative of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare stated that the Ministry has no objection to the proposal for change in location of work as proposed by the Government of Nagaland. State Government of Nagaland suitably replied to the observations raised by IFD.

**7.4** It was decided that change in location would be recommended by the Committee. However, since no dismantling is required at the proposed new location, the cost of dismantling as was earlier included would have to be adjusted from the previously sanctioned cost. Additional cost, if any, due to increase in plinth area or any other reason would be borne by the State Government from their own resources.

**7.5** Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with all its enclosures, is at Annexure- I.

**7.6** After due deliberations, the Committee recommended the proposed change in location and slight increase in area of the project as well as the exclusion of dismantling costs for the project "Strengthening of Health infrastructure of various Health Facilities in Nagaland" under NESIDS, with the condition that increased costs if any due to increase in plinth area or any other reason shall be borne by the State Government of Nagaland from their own resources.

## **TRIPURA**

**8. Project “Construction of 51 Anganwadi Center Buildings, in Tripura under NESIDS”- for condonation of delay in award of work, change in scope of work along with reduction in project cost.**

**8.1** It was informed by the MDoNER officials that work orders of 33 Anganwadi Centres have been received by the Ministry so far. However, representatives of the State Government stated that so far work orders have been issued for 41 Anganwadi Centres and the works for 06 Anganwadi Centres has been assigned to the concerned Government Department (Rural Development) of the State. Representatives of the State Government also stated that the balance 04 Anganwadi centres are not feasible to be executed due to non availability of land.

**8.2** The representatives of the State Government of Tripura intimated that the delay in issue of work orders for executable projects was mainly due to COVID -19 pandemic ; and assured that all balance 14 works orders (including the six Anganwadi Centres assigned to the Rural Development Department) will be provided to the Ministry by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

**8.3** Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with all its enclosures, is at Annexure-J.

**8.4 After due deliberations, the committee recommended the following :-**

**i) Condonation of delay in issue of the work orders in respect of the project “Construction of 51 Anganwadi Center Buildings in Tripura under NESIDS” subject to the condition that State Government will submit all the balance (14) work orders to this Ministry by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.**

**ii) Reduction in the sanctioned cost of the project from Rs. 4.20 Crores for 51 Anganwadi Center Buildings to Rs. 3.87 Crores for 47 Anganwadi Center Buildings, on pro rata basis, on account of works of 04 Anganwadi centres not being feasible to be executed due to non-availability of land.**

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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**Annexure-I****36<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee held on 09.09.2022.****List of Participants (meeting dated 09-09-2022)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Officers attended</b>
1.	Members of Inter-Ministerial Committee/NESIDS Committee/ their representatives	Shri Lok Ranjan, Secretary, M/o DoNER (in Chair) Shri Saurabh Endley, Joint Secretary, M/o DoNER on VC
2.	Other Special Invitees from Line Ministries	Shri Elangbam Robert Singh, Director, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, on VC Shri A.K. Dhyani, Dir (NE), Ministry of Home Affairs Shri N.T. Paite, Ministry of Culture Shri Shailesh Kumar, DS, Ministry of Power on VC Shri Ashok Kumar, Director, Ministry of Power on VC Shri Pooran Singh, Chief Engineer, MoRTH
3.	Government of Arunachal Pradesh	Shri Kaling Tayeng, IAS, Commissioner (PWD) Shri N. T. Glow, IRS, Secretary (P&I) Shri R. K. Sharma, Additional Secretary (P&I) Shri P. Mishra, Director (Project Coordination) Shri Dani Gambo, CE PWD (SID&P) Shri D. Etc. CE, PWD (CZ-B) Shri Hage Bida, CE, PWD (CA-A) Shri Bar Takum, CE, Power (WEZ) Shri Marmik Rina, EE, PHED (EZ) Shri Okep Tayeng, Joint Director (Project Coordination) Shri Milo Pushang, Joint Director (Project Coordination) Ms. Nani Neha, RO (Planning) Shri Bom Borang, EE, PWD, An in I Shri B. Baruah, EE (Planning), PWD (EZ)
4.	Government of Meghalaya	Shri Cyril V Darlong Diengdoh, Planning Secretary, Meghalaya

		Shri Sibhi Chakravarthy Sadhu, Director, Community & Rural Development Department, Meghalaya
		Shri K. L. Nongbri, MCS, Joint Secretary, Arts and Culture Department, Meghalaya
		Shri Saljong K Marak, Director, Arts & Culture Department, Meghalaya
		Shri K. Hynniewta, OSD & ex-officio Joint Secretary, Planning Department, Meghalaya
5.	Government of Nagaland	Shri Nlumo Murry Deputy Development Commissioner
		Shri Pudusul Luho, Assistant Development Commissioner
6.	Government of Tripura	Shri Apurba Roy, Planning Secretary
		Shri Abhishek Singh, Secretary, Department Social Welfare & Social Welfare Department.
7.	Ministry of DoNER, GoI	Shri Purushottam Verma, Deputy Secretary (IFD)
		Shri Ankit Mishra, Deputy Secretary
		Shri S. D. Meena, Deputy Secretary
		Shri N.K. Saha, Under Secretary
		Shri S. K. Jain, Executive Engineer
		Ms. Shimpy Gandhi, Assistant Section Officer
		Shri Viveka Nand, Senior Secretariat Assistant



**ANNEXURE-II****LIST OF PARTICIPANTS FOR MEETING HELD ON 14.09.2022**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Officers attended</b>
	Members of Inter- Ministerial Committee/NESIDS Committee/ their representatives	1. Shri Lok Ranjan, Secretary, MDoNER 2. Shri Saurabh Endley, Joint Secretary, MDoNER
	<b>State Government of Arunachal Pradesh</b>	1. Shri Shri Dharmendra, Chief Secretary 2. Sri P.S. Lokhande, Commissioner (P&I), on VC 3. Sri N.T. Glow, Secretary (P&I) , on VC 4. Sri R.K. Sharma, Addl. Secretary (P&I) , on VC 5. Sri P. Mishra, Director (PC) , on VC 6. Er. Dani Gambo, CE, PWD (SID &P) , on VC 7. Er. Tomo Basar, CE, PHED (EZ) , on VC 8. Er. Bar Takum, CE, Power (WEZ) , on VC 9. Er. Tabe Doni, CE, PWD (NWZ) , on VC 10. Er. T. Talo, CE, PWD (WZ) , on VC 11. Er. Hage Bida, CE, PWD (CZ-A) , on VC 12. Er. D. Ete, CE, PWD (CZ-B) , on VC 13. Er. K. Kamsi, CE, PWD (EZ) , on VC 14. Sri Okep Tayeng, JD (PC) , on VC 15. Sri Milo Pushang, JD (PC) , on VC 16. Sri Ikar Dirchi, JS (Finance) , on VC 17. Sri Takhe Kani, DS (Finance) , on VC

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