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Dated the 31st August, 2018


OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Monthly Summary of Principal Activities undertaken and important decisions taken during the month of July, 2018 in respect of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Cabinet Secretariat's D.O. letter No.1/26/2018-Cab dated 30th May, 2018 on the subject mentioned above.

2. The Monthly Summary of Principal Activities undertaken and important decisions taken during the month of July, 2018 pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region is hereby circulated for information.

Encl: As above.



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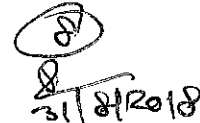
To
All Members of the Council of Ministers.

Copy with enclosures also forwarded to:-

1. The Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The Secretary to the Hon'ble President of India, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Vice President of India, No.5 Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi.
4. The Secretaries to the Government of India.
5. Ms. Rachna Shah, Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.

✓ 6. As per the list attached.
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1. Joint Secretary (SNP)/ Joint Secretary (JKS)/ Joint Secretary (SE)/ Economic Adviser (MS)/ Joint Secretary (SLM)/Joint Secretary (SE)/ Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser (JT), Ministry of DoNER.
2. Senior Technical Director, NIC, Ministry of DoNER for uploading on Ministry's website.
3. PPS to Secretary, DoNER.



Government of India
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

Monthly Summary of Principal Activities undertaken and important decisions taken during the month of July, 2018 in respect of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

1. **67th Plenary meeting of North Eastern Council (NEC):** The 67th Plenary meeting of the North Eastern Council (NEC) was held at Shillong on 9th & 10th July. Shri Rajnath Singh, Hon'ble Union Home Minister and Chairman, NEC presided over the meeting. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble MoS, DoNER and Vice Chairman, NEC, Hon'ble Governors of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Sikkim and the Chief Ministers of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura participated in the meeting.

1.1 Major Agenda Points:

- ❖ The Plenary was informed of approval of the Union Cabinet to the continuation of existing schemes of NEC within the existing funding pattern (90:10) till March, 2020 and implementation of new projects in specified sectors on 100% Central funding.
- ❖ An amount of Rs. 4500 crore was approved by the Cabinet for the above schemes/projects, including Rs.1000 crore for the North East Road Sector Development Scheme (NERSDS).
- ❖ NEC would concentrate on those sectors that require cross-Ministerial interventions benefiting more than one state and therefore may not be taken up by any individual Central Ministry or State Government. During the period 2017-18 to 2019-20 would be focusing on sectors like bamboo; piggery; regional tourism; higher education, tertiary healthcare (including health education) & special interventions in the Sixth Schedule Areas, backward districts and militancy affected districts & Autonomous Council Areas. NEC would support interventions throughout the value chain in other sectors which are local strengths of NER having great potential of augmenting livelihood employment generation and augmenting incomes and capture the entire value chain from production till processing and packaging in areas like (a) Floriculture; (b) Aromatic medicinal plants (c) Horticulture (d) Poultry (e) Fishery (f) Handloom (g) Handicraft and (h) Bee-keeping. NEC will also support S&T interventions in NER including setting up of technology facilitation centres; use of remote sensing application; early warning system for disaster

mitigation including use of space technology. It was informed that NEC would also help in preparation of DPRs and survey investigations for various infrastructure projects including flood management, irrigation, soil erosion, etc. It was brought out that the above interventions are illustrative and fresh areas, if any, would be identified in consultation with the State Governments and the Central Ministries.

- ❖ **Key initiatives like the Poshan Abhiyaan; Ayushman Bharat; restructured Bamboo Mission; and doubling farmers income by 2022** were discussed. Presentations were made on strengthening livelihood programmes in North East Region; transformation of the 14 Aspirational Districts including Gram Swaraj Abhiyan-I; catchment area treatment through afforestation; water resource management; road connectivity and on security related matters.

2. **A joint review meeting for livelihood projects was held on 3rd July by MDoNER and M/o Rural Development for Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM), North East Rural Livelihood Project (NERLP) and North Eastern Region Community Resource Management Project (NERCORMP).**

3. **Ministry of DoNER in collaboration with GiZ organized a training on Value Links/Value Chain in Nagaland during 9th-13th July, 2018.** This training was conducted with the aim of taking steps towards development of NE agriculture sector from subsistence agriculture to a more market oriented agriculture.

4. **A joint review meeting was organized by M/o DoNER and M/o Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) on 11th July at Guwahati** with NE State Governments, Entrepreneurs, and State Industry Associations to discuss constraints in utilization of funds under various schemes of the MoFPI and to find out ways to increase proposals from the region.

5. **Extended Gram Swaraj Abhiyan in Aspirational Districts of NER:**

5.1 A Video Conference was organized by M/o DoNER with DCs/DMs of Aspirational Districts on 17th July, 2018. M/o DoNER, being the nodal Ministry for coordinating saturation of seven flagship programmes of the Extended Gram Swaraj Abhiyan in 14 Aspirational Districts of NER, has deputed Senior Officers of Ministry/North Eastern Council to monitor and review progress of the schemes in these districts through field visits and video conferencing.

5.2 A one-day workshop was organized, jointly by NITI Aayog and M/o DoNER at Guwahati on 27th July, 2018, with DMs and their team to discuss collating and uploading of data on website and other relevant issues which need immediate intervention by Central Ministries/Departments.

5.3 M/oDoNER recommended credible Self Help Groups (SHGs)/Self Help Group Federations (SHGFs) of NERLP/NERCORMP to act as "*points of delivery*" under Ujjwala Scheme of MoPNG to ensure seamless distribution and refilling of LPG cylinders.

6. MEA and M/o DoNER organized an interactive meeting on 19th July, 2018 with 20 Journalists from ASEAN countries under "India-ASEAN Media Exchange Program during 14th -20th July, 2018". The interaction was mainly focused on "Development Initiatives & Investment Opportunity in NER".

7. The first State Level Sanctioning Committee Meeting for Hill Area Development Program(HADP) was held at New Delhi on 19th July, 2018 to discuss action plan for implementation of Hill Area Development Program in Tamenglong District and Noney District on pilot basis under the chair of Chief Secretary, Manipur.

8. Rs.63.43 crore was released to different NE States under the scheme of NLCPR-State in July, 2018. The 4th meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee was held on 20th July to consider selection of projects under North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS).

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