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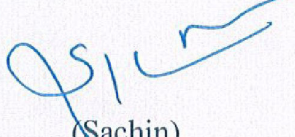
OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the 18th Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) Meeting of PM-DevINE Scheme held on 30.06.2025 at Jodhpur Officer's Hostel, Pandara Park, New Delhi-110003, New Delhi.

The undersigned is directed to refer the subject mentioned above and to forward herewith a copy of Minutes of the 18th meeting of EIMC of PM-DevINE Scheme held on 30th June, 2025 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) at Jodhpur Officer's Hostel, Pandara Park, New Delhi-110003, for kind information and necessary action please.

2. This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Encl. as above.


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To

1. Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog, NITI Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001.
2. Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi-110001
3. Foreign Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi- 110011.
4. Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industries and Internal Trade (DPIIT), New Delhi
5. Secretaries of central Ministries/ Departments (as per list attached).
6. Chief Secretaries of North Eastern States.
7. Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of DoNER, New Delhi-110011.
8. Secretary, North Eastern Council (NEC), Shillong, Meghalaya.
9. Joint Secretary (PM-DevINE), Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi-110011.

10. Joint Secretary (Infrastructure Wing), Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi-110011.
11. Joint Secretary (SDSL Wing), Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi-110011
12. Planning Secretaries of North Eastern States.
13. Financial Advisor, NEC, Shillong.
14. Advisor (Planning), NEC, Shillong
15. CMD, NEDFi, Guwahati
16. Managing Director, NEHHDC
17. Director General, NECTAR
18. Managing Director, AMTRON, Guwahati.
19. Director, Dr D. Borooah Cancer Institute, Guwahati.
20. Managing Director, NERAMAC.
21. Managing director, NECBDC.

Copy for information to:

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi-110011.
2. APS to Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi-110011.
3. Sr. PPS to Secretary, Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi- 110011.
4. DS, IFD/ DS(SDM) Ministry of DoNER, New Delhi.
5. Sr. Technical Director (NIC), Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi-110011.
6. EE, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER.

List of Ministries/Departments

1. Ministry of Civil Aviation, New Delhi.
2. D/o Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, New Delhi.
3. Ministry of Culture, New Delhi.
4. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, New Delhi.
5. Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, New Delhi.
6. Ministry of Power, New Delhi.
7. Ministry of Textiles, New Delhi.
8. Ministry of Tourism, New Delhi.
9. Ministry of Culture, New Delhi.
10. Department of Sports, New Delhi.
11. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.
12. Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
13. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, New Delhi

Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

Minutes of the 18th Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) Meeting of PM-DevINE scheme held on 30.06.2025 at Conference Hall of Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, Pandara Park, India Gate Circle, New Delhi.

The Eighteenth meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of the PM-DevINE scheme was held on 30th June, 2025 at Conference Hall of Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, Pandara Park, India Gate Circle, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER). The list of participants is at **Annexure**.

2. Welcoming the participants, Joint Secretary (MDoNER) proceeded with a presentation covering the meeting agenda, including the scrutiny of new project proposals and the review of ongoing projects. A summary of the agenda-wise discussions and decisions taken by the EIMC are as follows:

Agenda I: Confirmation of the minutes of the last EIMC meeting:

Minutes of 17th EIMC meeting held on 03.06.2025 were circulated on 18.06.2025. Since no comments were received from the State Governments/ Central Ministries, etc., the Minutes of 17th EIMC meeting were confirmed.

Agenda-II Action Taken Report on the decision of the last EIMC meeting:

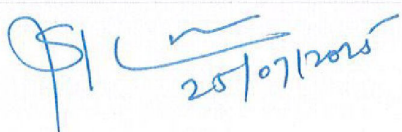
In the 17th EIMC meeting held on 03.06.2025, Concept Note of 1 project proposal (worth Rs.59.16 cr) and DPRs of 02 project proposals (worth Rs.166.50 cr.) including 1 for single stage appraisal/approval were deferred for want of documents/comments of NITI Aayog / concerned line Ministry.

Agenda III – DPR along with Concept Note for single stage appraisal/ approval (1 Project):

The project "Construction of Kohima Multi- disciplinary Sports Centre at IG Stadium Complex, Kohima District (Rs.74.00 crore) proposed by the Govt. of Nagaland was discussed. On this, the Competent Authority made the following observations:

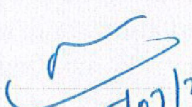
- (i) Comprehensive details on coaches, trainers, trainees, training equipment, talent sourcing, and wider association tie-ups are to be specified; and
- (ii) Overall execution period for the project or a detailed phasing plan is to be explicitly mentioned.

The State Govt. of Nagaland may address the above observations of the Competent Authority.

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Agenda IV – DPRs of In-principle recommended projects for appraisal/approval (1 Project)

Sl.	State Central Agency	Title of the proposed project	Deliberations	Decision
1	Meghalaya	Construction of 2x50 MVA, 132/33kV Substation at Mawkhan, East Khasi District, Meghalaya, along with the construction of 132kV D/C Saiseij-Mawkhan Line and GIS Bay at Saiseij Meghalaya (Rs.92.50 crore)	<p>State Govt. mentioned that the 132/33kV, 2x50MVA substation at Mawkhanu, connected to the 220/132kV Saiseij substation via a 132kV D/C line, aims to meet the growing power demand in New Shillong and East Khasi Hills. It would improve supply reliability, provide an alternative power source, and support regional development. Benefiting areas like Mawkhanu, Diengpasoh, Tynring, and Bhoi Rymbong, the project will enhance livelihoods through improved electricity access for agriculture, industry, and education.</p> <p>DPR was shared with NITI Aayog and M/o Power on 10.02.2025.</p> <p>M/o Power supported the proposal on 11.03.2025.</p> <p>NITI Aayog on 12.06.2025 asked for some additional information related to O&M cost, output-outcome, encumbrance free land certificate, Annexure-C etc. State Govt submitted their response on 25.06.2025.</p> <p>During the meeting, NITI Aayog asked for some more time to examine the response of State Govt.</p> <p>NITI Aayog was requested to submit their further comments within one week.</p>	To be placed in the next EIMC meeting.

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Agenda V –Concept Note for In-principle approval (3 project proposals):

Sl.	State Central Agency	Title of the proposed project	Deliberations	Decision
1	NECBDC	Engineered Bamboo Products Promotion through Cluster Strengthening and Export Facilitation in NER (Rs. 59.16 Cr.)	<p>NECBDC stated that the proposal aims to promote value-added engineered bamboo products by developing modern processing infrastructure, enhancing design, branding, and packaging, and ensuring quality certification for domestic and international markets. It seeks to support export readiness, market linkages, and artisan upskilling, while fostering long-term Public-Private Partnerships to drive innovation and sustainable cluster development.</p> <p>Concept Note was shared (through PVS) with NITI Aayog and D/o Agriculture & Farmers Welfare on 07.05.2025.</p> <p>DA&FW, (National Bamboo Mission) on 27.06.2025 supported the project.</p> <p>During the meeting, NITI Aayog stated that they have certain observations on the proposal viz. :</p> <p>i) Rs.15 crore is proposed to be spent on creating 1000 Hectare of new Bamboo plantation on private land. As per para 7.1.51 of PM-DevINE guidelines 2023, creation of long term or permanent individual entitlements appears to be inadmissible.</p> <p>ii) In the preliminary cost estimate, 10% administrative expenses, 2% contingency are charged separately in the cost break-up component of new bamboo plantation, and again 2% agency cost, 1% contingency cost on the overall project appears to be high and may be reviewed. The</p>	To be placed in the next EIMC meeting.

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			<p>concept note may include a component of up cycling various processing facilities that could convert the waste generation into value-added product such as packaging material, disposable tableware, paper, etc. should be included in it. Bamboo for biofuel, charcoal, pulp, paper, fiber etc. are key component that can potentially establish circular economy model in the underlying challenge in the value chain. The Central Pulp and Drip Research Institute has developed concept note on the Chemo Thermo Mechanical Pulping (CTMP) technology of production of pulp that can convert bamboo waste into pulp. This could potentially address the waste material generated in the bamboo value chain, without significant transportation costs as it would be treated within the project premises.</p> <p>NITI Aayog was requested to submit their observations in writing within one week so that NECBC could respond.</p>	
2	NERAMAC	<p>Agarwood cluster development project in Assam and Tripura</p> <p>(Rs. 64.55 cr.)</p>	<p>NERAMAC stated that the project aims to enhance farmer incomes, establish CPCs in Assam and Tripura, and train 14,100 growers in modern techniques. It will boost exports through value addition meeting global standards while ensuring legal and sustainable trade under Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).</p> <p>Concept Note was shared (through PVS) with NITI Aayog, M/o Ayush, M/o Environment & Forest, DPIIT and D/o Agriculture & Farmers Welfare on 14.06.2025.</p> <p>M/o Ayush, M/o Environment & Forest, DPIIT and D/o Agriculture &</p>	<p>To be placed in the next EIMC meeting.</p>

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			<p>Farmers Welfare were asked to give their comments one by one. However, none of the line Ministries was present.</p> <p>It was decided to issue a letter to line Ministries expressing concern for not attending the meeting.</p> <p>NITI Aayog and Line Ministries were requested to expedite their comments within one week.</p>	
3	NECTAR	<p>Upgradation of NECTAR stated that the project Bamboo and Cane proposal aims to transform the bamboo sector into a hub of innovation, entrepreneurship, and sustainable development, driving inclusive growth as National Institute in the North East and across India. It will boost incomes, promote Technology indigenous industries, and support national missions like Aatmanirbhar Bharat and Make in India.</p> <p>(Rs. 126.77 Cr.)</p> <p>Concept Note was shared (through PVS) with NITI Aayog and D/o Agriculture & Farmers Welfare on 10.06.2025.</p> <p>D/o Agriculture & Farmers Welfare sought certain additional information, are as under:</p> <p>i) The Governance and Monitoring mechanism of the proposed CoE/NIBT may be elaborated.</p> <p>ii) The means of revenue generation may be explained for ensuring the sustainability of the CoE/NIBT after the project period.</p> <p>iii) Plan for collaboration with premier educational institutes/ universities for the recognition of the courses offered by the CoE may be indicated.</p> <p>NITI Aayog also raised some concern about the project such as the Administrative building, recurring</p>	<p>To be returned to D/o Science and Technology for consideration under their Scheme.</p>	

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		salaries of the staff, individual benefits etc. which fall under the Negative list of the PM-DevINE guidelines.	
		EIMC agreeing to the observations of NITI Aayog decided that the proposal may be sent back to D/o Science and Technology for consideration under their scheme.	

Agenda VI – Proposals for change in Scope:

Sl.	State/ Agency	Title of the Project	Deliberations	Decision
1.	Mizoram	Pilot project for (i) construction of Bamboo Link Roads- from Tuirial Airfield to North Chaltlang (18 km) at a cost of Rs.33.58 crore; and (ii) from Lengpui to Saiphai Bamboo Plantation (41 km) at a cost of Rs.66.42 crore, under PM-DevINE.	<p>State Govt. stated that change in scope of the project has become necessary due to unforeseen site conditions; cyclone induced damages, and increased water discharge.</p> <p>The total increase in cost would be Rs.13.42 cr., and the same is within the approved project cost of Rs.100 crore as the tendered cost of the originally approved components is lesser than the approved total project cost.</p> <p>SLEC in its meeting held on 18.02.2025 recommended the change of scope proposal.</p> <p>IFD and Technical Wing of MDoNER supported the proposal.</p> <p>MoRTH supported the proposal for change in scope.</p> <p>NITI Aayog on 19.06.2025 observed as under:</p> <p>i) Certain cost estimate items (IX, X, XI) for the Tuirial Airfield to North Chaltlang road should be reviewed and possibly deleted due to lack of clarity or non-provision under PM-</p>	<p>To be placed in the next EIMC meeting.</p>

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			<p>DevINE guidelines.</p> <p>ii) The State Govt to clarify how disaster resilience measures have been enhanced and provide the Checklist for Change in Scope of Sanctioned Project.</p> <p>iii) Recommendations include to review the project's unit cost, conducting traffic analysis, and performing EIRR and FIRR analysis. It is suggested to deploy sensor-based landslide early warning systems and using bio-engineering techniques.</p> <p>The State Govt submitted its clarifications to the observations of NITI Aayog on 27.06.2025.</p> <p>NITI Aayog asked for some time to examine the response of State Govt.</p> <p>NITI Aayog agreed to furnish their response in one week.</p>	
2.	NEHHDC	To establish an Artist's village for promotion of World's most unique Pottery Art form Longpi Black Pottery of Manipur. (Rs. 32.32 Crore)	<p>The project was sanctioned at cost of Rs.32.32 core. The project has two major components—(i) the CPWD component costing Rs.24.88 crore, to be executed by CPWD, and (ii) the NEHHDC component costing Rs.7.44 crore, to be executed by NEHHDC. As per the revised estimates, the cost of the CPWD component has increased from Rs. 24.88 crore to Rs. 28.80 crore, resulting the total revised project cost to be Rs.36.24 cr. which is approx 12.13% above the originally approved cost of Rs.32.32 crore.</p> <p>NEHHDC submitted the following reasons for change in scope:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Electrical development work with rooftop solar photovoltaic power generation system with Estimated cost: ₹3.72 Cr 	PD and IFD to review with NEHHDC and CPWD.

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			<p>(approx.) not considered in the earlier estimate has been included now;</p> <p>ii. Cost escalation included as per CPWD norms; and</p> <p>iii. The cost Index for Longpi, Ukhrul has been considered as 193 in place of earlier 204.</p> <p>IFD, MDoNER and Technical Wing, MDoNER had no objection to the proposal.</p> <p>Change of scope proposal was shared with M/o Culture, M/o Textiles, M/o Tourism, M/o Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and NITI Aayog on 15.05.2025.</p> <p>M/o Culture supported the proposal.</p> <p>NITI Aayog stated that though the project is in EPC mode yet they are charging $(3+3)=6\%$ supervision charge which is not in line with the PM-DevINE guidelines.</p> <p>Technical Wing, MDoNER stated that the charges are as per CPWD norms.</p> <p>It was deliberated that all the applicable norms including EPC norms are to be followed.</p> <p>MD, NEHHDC further stated that change in scope is not limited to solar and there is addition of other components too.</p> <p>Programme Division was asked to have a meeting with MD, NEHHDC and CPWD. IFD may see to ensure that all the applicable norms are satisfied.</p>	
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Agenda VII – DPRs of In-principle recommended project proposals awaited:

Sl.	State Central Agency	Title of the project	Deliberations	Decision
1.	Manipur	Construction of Manipur International Convention Centre, Imphal Phase-I (Rs.167 crore)	The project was recommended in-principle in the 15 th EIMC meeting held on 12.03.2025. State Govt. assured that they would submit the DPR of the project by 15 July, 2025.	State to expedite DPR/ documents

Agenda VIII – Work Orders of sanctioned projects awaited:

Sl.	State Central Agency	Title of the project	Deliberations	Decision
1	Arunachal Pradesh	Construction of Integrated State of Art Convention Centre at Tawang Project Cost: Rs. 146.83 crore. AFS Date: 10.06.2025	SG stated that the tender has been prepared and would be floated by this week.	State to award and start the work.
2	IICA	Establishment of a regional campus of Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) at Shillong. Project Cost: Rs.100.95 crore. AFS date: 05.03.2025	IICA stated that land was handed over in June only and tendering process would take some more time. The EIMC expressed its concerns over delay by IICA and asked the Programme Division to review the project with DG, IICA.	IICA to award and start the work.
3	Nagaland	Setting up of 50 Bedded Hospital at New District Headquarter Peren, Nagaland Project Cost: Rs. 44.65 crore.	State Govt. stated that they will complete the tendering process within stipulated period of 6 months. State Govt. was alerted that six month period as stipulated is	State to award and start the work.

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		AFS date 29.04.2025	maximum period for award of work and that too is in exceptional cases. The six month period should not be construed as period available for award of work; rather work should be awarded at the earliest possible. Chief Secretary, Nagaland was requested to look into the matter to ensure that work is awarded without undue delay.	
4	Nagaland	Multi-speciality hospital in Chumokedemia Project Cost: Rs. 58.72 crore. AFS date 09.06.2025	State Government was asked to expedite the tendering process and award the work at the earliest possible.	State to award and start the work.

4. NITI Aayog and line Ministries were again requested to furnish their comments within the stipulated time, i.e., two weeks from the receipt of the Concept Notes and within 30 days from the receipt of the DPRs through the Poorvottar Vikas Setu Portal, as per the new guidelines issued by MDoNER. State Governments were also requested to reply timely to the observations made by the line Ministries or NITI Aayog. The State Governments were further advised to expedite physical progress of the ongoing projects and utilize the funds allocated under the scheme during the Current Financial Year 2025-26, by raising fund demands through PVS Portal.

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

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List of the participants to the 18th meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North Eastern Region (PM-DevINE) scheme held on 30.06.2025 at Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, New Delhi.

S. No.	Ministry/Department/ State/Agency	Name	Designation
1	Ministry of DoNER	Shri Chanchal Kumar	Secretary - In Chair
		Shri Angshuman Dey	Joint Secretary
		Shri S.D. Meena	Deputy Secretary
		Shri Sandeep Verma	Deputy Secretary
		Shri Sachin	Section Officer
		Shri Tanuj Guliani	Associate Director
		Shri Mohd. Mohsin	Consultant
		Shri Prabhat Patel	Assistant Section Officer

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED MEETING THROUGH VC			
S.No.	Ministry/Department/ State	Name	Designation
1	Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh	Shri Abu Tayeng	Secretary Sports
		Shri Tadar Appa	Director Sports
		Shri Gamnya Padu	Chief Engineer (PWD)
2	Govt. of Assam	Smt. Reena Mech	Secretary, Planning
3	Govt. of Manipur	Shri Neilenthang Telien	Special Secretary, plg.
		Shri Mercina Panmei	Jt. Secretary, Planning
4	Govt. of Meghalaya	Mr. K. Hynniewta	JS, OSD & Ex-officio Joint Secretary,
5	Govt. of Mizoram	Shri Lalrinchhana	Pr. Advisor, Planning
		Shri Eddie C. Zothansanga	Superintendent Engineer
		Smt. Temsunaro Aier	Development Commissioner, Planning Department
		Shri Anoop Khinchi	Commissioner & Secretary, H& FW

6	Govt. of Nagaland	Sh. Anthony Ngullie	Commissioner & Secretary, Youth Resource & Sports
		Shri Imlikokba Longkumer	Asstt. Development Commissioner
		Dr. Hokugha Sema	Nodal Officer, H&FW
		Sh. Kethosituo Sekhose	Director, YRS Department
7	Govt. of Sikkim	Shri Jigme Basi	Addl. Secretary, Plg.
		Shri Dorjee Dadul Bhutia	Chief Engineer (PWD)
8	Govt. of Tripura	Shri. Lalhming Thanga Darlong, IAS	Secretary, Planning
		Dr. Shailesh Kumar Yadav, IAS	Director, I&C Dept.
9	Ministry of DoNER	Asit Gopal	AS&FA
10	NITI Aayog	Shri Mohd Zubair Ali Hashmi	Director
		Ms. Archana Gupta	Consultant
11	Department of Sports	Shri OP Chanchal	Under Secretary
12	Ministry of Power	Shri Om Kant Shukala	Director
		Shri Naorem Indra Kumar	Under Secretary
13	M/o Corporate Affairs	Shri D. Kalita	OSD, IICA Shillong
		Shri Prashant	US
14	Ministry of Tourism	Smt. Gargi Mittal	AD
		Shri Pawan Tewatia	Under Secretary
15	MEA	Shri Bibhuti Nath Pandey	US (States)
16	MoHUA	Shri Hira Lal Mishra	Under Secretary
17	M/o Culture	Shri Mohit Rawat	Section Officer
18	MHA	Shri A.K. Dhyani	Consultant
19	DPIIT	Shri Sher Singh Meena	US
20	NEHHDC	Shri Mara Kacho	Managing Director
21	NECTAR	Dr. Krishna Kumar	Technical Advisor
22	M/o Ayush	Dr. M.A Qasmi	Advisor
23	MoRTH	Shri Lalatendu Behera	SE
24	M/o Textiles	Shri Bharat Bhushan	AD
25	DAF&W	Shri Sanjay Kumar	Director(ORG-INM)
