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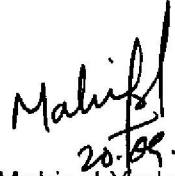
Dated: 20th September, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the 49th meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of NESIDS-OTRI held on 10.09.2024 at 11:30 AM.

The undersigned is directed to refer to subject cited above and to forward herewith the minutes of the 49th meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of NESIDS (OTRI) held on 10.09.2024 at 11:30 AM under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) and Co-chairmanship of Chief Secretary, at Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi- 110011 for information and necessary action, please.

Encl: As above.


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To:

- i. Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi
- ii. Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog, New Delhi
- iii. Chief Secretaries of concerned NE States.
- iv. Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs
- v. Foreign Secretary, Min of External Affairs, New Delhi.
- vi. Secretary, DPIIT, New Delhi
- vii. Secretary, North Eastern Council, Nongrim Hills, Shillong, Meghalaya
- viii. Joint Secretary, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
- ix. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh
- x. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Assam
- xi. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Manipur
- xii. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Meghalaya
- xiii. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Mizoram
- xiv. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Nagaland

- xv. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Sikkim
- xvi. Principal Secretary (Planning), Govt. of Tripura
- xvii. Dir (IFD), MDoNER
- xviii. Sr. Technical Director (NIC), MDoNER with the request to arrange to upload the Minutes of the Meeting in Ministry's website
- xix. Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER

Copy for information to:

- i. PS to Hon'ble Minister, MDoNER
- ii. APS to Hon'ble MoS, MDoNER
- iii. Secretaries of the concerned Line Ministries/Deptt.

Minutes of 49th meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of NESIDS-OTRI held on 10.09.2024 at 11:30 AM under the Chairpersonship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

The 49th meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) for NESIDS-OTRI was held on 10.09.2024 at 11:30 AM, through hybrid mode, to discuss project proposals received from State governments of NER. List of participants is at Annexure-I.

2. At the outset, Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) and Chairperson of the Committee welcomed the participants and directed the Joint Secretary (Infrastructure), MDoNER to start the presentation. The Agenda-wise deliberations and decisions were taken as follows:

Agenda No. I: Confirmation of the Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the 48th Meeting were issued on 09th September 2024. As there were no comments received from the State Government, therefore the Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.

Agenda II: Proposal for Approval of DPRs:

DPRs against the following projects were discussed and the Committee made observations/ recommendations as follows:

S. No.	State	Name of Project	Deliberations	Decision
1.	Manipur	Installation of Grid connected SPV	(i) MNRE had already supported the project during the	To be placed in next EIMC

		Power Plant of capacity 600 kWp at 132/33 kV Elangkhangpokpi Power Sub-Station, Kakching District, Manipur (Rs.35.68 cr.)	<p>47th EIMC</p> <p>(ii) NITI Aayog had supported the project with suggestions to undertake Tarrif based competitive bidding and to take the Technical expertise of NTPC/SLVN may be taken. JV mode execution with these CPSUs may be considered. State government has submitted the reply to the comments of NITI Aayog. Final comments/support from NITI Aayog is waited.</p> <p>(iii) NITI Aayog stated that they will examine the reply of State government and will submit their final comment/reply at the earliest.</p>	
2.	Manipur	Strengthening of 120 High Schools and Higher Secondary schools (Rs 134.36 cr)	<p>i. Department of School Education and Literacy had already supported the project during the 47th EIMC.</p> <p>ii. NITI Aayog had earlier supported the proposal with the observation that there should be no duplication with Samagra Shiksha</p> <p>iii. State government had replied by submitting an undertaking that there is no duplication with Samagra Shiksha</p> <p>iv. NITI Aayog accepted the clarification and supported the project</p>	Recommended for Approval
3.	Mizoram	Implementation of Educational Infrastructure Related to IT	i. Department of School Education and Literacy had already supported the project during the 47 th EIMC	To be placed in next EIMC

		Projects In 220 Schools Across Mizoram (Rs 23.73 cr)	<p>ii. NITI Aayog had sought certain clarifications along with details as per Annexure C of Guidelines of scheme. The clarifications along with Annexure 'C' has been submitted to NITI Aayog by the State government on 03.07.2024</p> <p>iii. NITI Aayog responded by stating that the clarifications from the State Govt. have been examined and there is a lack of specific reply/point-wise clarification from the State Govt.</p> <p>iv. The State Government was requested to furnish point-wise specific & detailed reply regarding NITI's observations</p>	
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Agenda III: Proposals for In-Principle Approval

S. No	State	Name of Project	Deliberations	Decision
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	Construction of Multipurpose Indoor Stadium for DK Government College, Tawang (Rs.20.00 cr.)	<p>i. Department of Sports had already supported the project during the 47th EIMC meeting.</p> <p>ii. NITI Aayog had sought component wise cost breakup along with timelines.</p> <p>iii. State Government had submitted the reply to the observations of NITI on 27.06.2024</p> <p>iv. NITI Aayog stated that the proposal is under consideration and the decision in this matter will be conveyed within 7 days.</p>	To be placed in next EIMC

2.	Manipur	Creation of Digital Infrastructure of Sports Excellence in Manipur	<p>i. Department of Sports supported the project with the following suggestions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Availability of expert personnel within the Department of Sports, Manipur to manage and operate such advanced equipment effectively to be ensured. ▪ Original Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) of all equipment should cover a period of not less than 5 years <p>ii. State government had submitted the compliance for the above suggestions.</p> <p>iii. NITI Aayog had sought certain clarifications for the project for which the reply was shared with NITI Aayog by the State government on 13.07.2024</p> <p>iv. NITI Aayog stated that the proposal is under consideration and the decision in this matter will be conveyed within 7 days.</p>	To be placed in next EIMC
3.	Manipur	Development of allied infrastructure in Sainik School, Imphal (Rs.22.80 cr.)	<p>i. Department of School Education and Literacy and NITI Aayog had already supported the project during the 47th EIMC meeting.</p> <p>ii. During deliberation, the representative of Ministry of Defence also supported the project</p>	Recommended in principle
4.	Mizoram	Development of	i. NITI Aayog had supported the project with following	To be placed in

		<p>school Buildings in Mizoram</p> <p>(Rs 44.25 cr)</p>	<p>observations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of existing Samagra Siksha funded projects should be mentioned in the proposal • No duplication with any Central Scheme/ State Scheme <p>ii. State government has provided the list of 71 schools proposed under the project. 49 out of 71 schools are covered under Samagra siksha handrails and electrification stating that there is no duplication</p> <p>iii. Department of School Education and Literacy mentioned that they had certain reservations about the proposal such as inclusion of 2 private schools in the projects and regarding duplication with Samagra Shiksha. They stated that they will furnish their detail observations within 7 days.</p> <p>iv. The Committee directed the State government to provide the point wise reply to observation of DoSEL as an when it is uploaded on the Purvottar Vikas Setu Portal.</p>	<p>next EIMC</p>
5.	Tripura	<p>Establishment of 100 Bedded Sepahijala, District Hospital at Bishramganj, Sepahijala</p> <p>(Rs 45.57 cr)</p>	<p>(i) NITI Aayog supported the project with broadly the following observations on 13.06.2024</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposed buildings need to comply with the guidelines for District Hospital by NHM, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. 2. The building must be made 	<p>Recommended in principle</p>

			<p>disability friendly</p> <p>3. Standard cost norms must be followed while preparing the DPR.</p> <p>4. The project has included construction staff quarters which are not permissible as per the guidelines</p> <p>(ii) The State government had accordingly submitted the revised Concept note with modified drawing as per NHM guidelines.</p> <p>(iii) After due deliberation, NITI Aayog and MoHFW supported the project during the meeting.</p>	
6.	Assam	<p>Smart Tech-Enhancing Learning Through Technology Integration in Assam for 275 schools</p> <p>(Rs 44 cr)</p>	<p>i. State Government of Assam stated that the proposed Project pertains to Setting up of Smart Classrooms in 275 Schools in the state with Tele-Education facility, empowered with Interactive Touch Panel and student assessment devices, virtual classroom solution, power backup, HTS connectivity and other necessary hardware</p> <p>ii. The committee directed NITI Aayog and DoSEL to examine the proposal and furnish their comments on priority</p>	To be placed in next EIMC
7.	Assam	<p>Smart Tech-Enhancing Learning Through Technology Integration in Assam for 272 schools</p> <p>(Rs 43.52 cr)</p>	<p>i. State Government of Assam stated that the proposed Project pertains to Setting up of Smart Classrooms in 272 Schools in the state with Tele-Education facility, empowered with Interactive Touch Panel and student assessment devices, virtual classroom solution, power</p>	To be placed in next EIMC

			backup, HTS connectivity and other necessary hardware ii. The committee directed NITI Aayog and DoSEL to examine the proposal and furnish their comments on priority	
8.	Assam	Smart Tech-Enhancing Learning Through Technology Integration in Assam for 265 schools (Rs 42.4 cr)	i. State Government of Assam stated that the proposed Project pertains to Setting up of Smart Classrooms in 265 Schools in the state with Tele-Education facility, empowered with Interactive Touch Panel and student assessment devices, virtual classroom solution, power backup, HTS connectivity and other necessary hardware ii. The committee directed NITI Aayog and DoSEL to examine the proposal and furnish their comments on priority	To be placed in next EIMC

Agenda IV: Proposals for Change of Scope/Revision of cost

1.	Tripura	Implementation of Educational Infrastructure Related to IT Projects in 240 Schools across Tripura (Rs 26.44 cr)	i. The state government of Tripura mentioned that the DPR of project was approved for Rs.24.87 crore by the EIMC in its 41st meeting held on 26.09.2023. ii. State Government had submitted the change of scope proposal, with the revised cost of Rs 28.73 cr, with the following additional scope of work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 years Operation and maintenance • An extra component of 'Question Bank, Assessment & Analytic 	Recommended for Approval
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			<p>s System</p> <p>iii. It was decided during 47th EIMC that component of 'Question Bank, Assessment & Analytics System' of Rs.1.57 crore may be considered whereas the O&M component may be borne by State. Accordingly, the cost of proposal was revised to Rs 26.44 cr.</p> <p>iv. Department of School Education and Literacy had already supported the change of scope of the project during the 47th EIMC.</p> <p>v. NITI Aayog had earlier supported the proposal with the observation that that there should be no duplication with Samagra Shiksha, collaboration with NETF and CIET may be explored, convergence with Gatishakti Master plan may be ensured, Sustainability plan post 3 years including maintenance of hardware may be provided</p> <p>vi. The state government had submitted compliance of these comments on 30.07.2024.</p> <p>vii. After deliberation, NITI Aayog accepted the clarification and supported the change of scope of the project</p>	
2.	Mizoram	<p>Development of Village Based Eco Tourism at Khamrang, Mizoram</p> <p>(Rs 8.00 cr)</p>	<p>i. The State government stated that the AFS for the project issued on 19.04.2022. They further stated that certain components in the original DPR are required to be changed for better outcome of the project after conducting site inspection with NGOs and local community leaders.</p> <p>ii. As per original sanction there were 8 locations in which tourist infrastructure was proposed to be developed, which has now been revised to 7 locations. Costs have been readjusted among the 7 locations. However, there is no</p>	To be placed in next EIMC

			iii. change in overall cost of the project. Comments are awaited from Ministry of Tourism and NITI Aayog	
3	Mizoram	Upgradation of Cardiology department at Civil Hospital , Aizawl (Rs 12.42 cr)	i. The State government stated that the AFS issued on 19.04.2022 in which Rs 99.44 lakh was meant for civil work and Rs 11.43 cr was for procurement of 20 items of medicals equipment. ii. The State government further stated that they have submitted the proposal for the component of procurement of 20 items in which change of scope is requested for 13 of the 20 items, reduction in quantity is requested for 12 items and omission of one time is requested. However, there is no change in overall cost iii. Comments are awaited from Ministry of Health and Family welfare and NITI Aayog	To be placed in next EIMC

Agenda V: Proposals for Condonation of Delay

1	Assam	Construction of Additional classroom at Karanga girls HS school Jorhat (Rs 0.621 cr)	i. The State government stated that the AFS for the project was issued on 29.03.2020. However, due to work order was issued on 06.05.2021. The delay in issue of work order was due to the delay in issuance of Administrative Approval by Samagra Siksha Aabhiyan (SSA) to PWBD due to COVID pandemic restrictions. ii. After due deliberation, the committee decided to condone the delay	Delay Condoned
2	Assam	Transformation of schools(50) of the state as Centre of	i. The State government stated that the AFS for the project was issued on 14.11.2023. However, due	Delay Condoned

		excellence (Rs 400 cr)	to the ongoing Model Code of Conduct and Non-receipt of performance security deposits from the contractor on time, the issue of work order was delayed. ii. After due deliberation, the committee decided to condone the delay	
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4. The Committee reiterated that the State Government while submitting the new project proposals under NESIDS OTRI should provide the details regarding operationalization, maintenance and sustainability of the project along with all statutory clearances as per Annexure-B for Concept Notes and Annexure-C for DPRs, as per the guidelines of NESIDS (OTRI) issued vide No. NESIDS/4/20202-US(NLCPR) dated 21.08.2023.

5. Further, from now onwards, all the Project proposals, whether it is Concept notes or DPRs, the same to be uploaded on the Poorvottar Vikash Setu Portal by the concerned agencies posing the projects which has already started functioning, and all ancillary processes starting from uploading of projects to sanction will be done through this portal only.

6. The status of project-wise pending UCs were reviewed, and State governments were advised to take prompt action for submission of pending UCs. Further, the Program Division was also directed to take immediate action on the documents that are being received from the States.

7. All concerned Line Ministries and NITI Aayog were requested to expedite their comments for the project proposals those are being forwarded to them and furnish the same on time so that final decisions can be taken in the meetings without further delaying the process.

8. Lastly, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure-I**List of Participants**

49th meeting of EIMC of NESIDS(OTRI) and SDP of Assam held on 10th September, 2024 at Vigyan Bhawan Annexe at 11:30 AM.

Sl. No.	Organization	Officers attended
1	Members of the EIMC of NESIDS(OTRI)/their representatives	Shri Chanchal Kumar, Secretary, MDoNER – in Chair Shri Asit Gopal, Additional Secretary and Financial Advisor, Ministry of DoNER Shri Vineet Joshi, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur, on VC Shri Shantanu, Joint Secretary, MDoNER
2	Govt. Of Arunachal Pradesh	Shri R.K. Sharma, Secretary Planning, on VC
3	Govt. of Assam	Shri Akashdeep, Principal Secretary, BTR, Kokrajhar Shri Ajay Agarwal, Consultant, BTC, Assam
4	Govt. Meghalaya	Dr. Vijay Kumar, Secretary Planning
5	Govt. of Mizoram	Shri Lalmalsawma Pachuau, Secretary Planning, on VC
6	Govt. of Nagaland	Shri I. Kittu Zhimomi, Commissioner & Secretary, Planning Department, on VC
7	Govt. of Tripura	Shri Udayan Sinha, Addl. Secretary Planning Shri L.T. Darlong, Secretary, Planning Shri Bhaskar Mukherjee, Dy. Director, Planning
8	Govt. of Sikkim	Shri Jigme Basi, Addl. Secretary Planning & Development, on VC
9	NITI Aayog	Shri Yugal Joshi, Joint Secretary Ms. Kavya Rajendran, Consultant Shri Devdasshan Chetia, Young Professional
10	Ministry of Textile	Shri Bharat Bhushan, Assistant Director Shri Nipun Pande, JDC
11	Department for Promotion of Industries and Internal Trade	Shri Rakesh Director, on VC
12	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	Shri Sunil Sharma, Joint Director, on VC

13	Ministry of New & Renewable Energy	Shri Hiren Chandra Borah, Scientist E, on VC
14	Ministry of Food Processing Industries	Dr. G. Srinivasan, Deputy Agricultural Marketing Advisor, on VC
15	Ministry of Culture	Shri Karan Singh Tanwar, Deputy Director
		Shri Mohit Singh Rawat, Section Officer
16	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare	Shri Ashutosh Kr. Agrawal, Under Secretary
		Shri Subir Dutta, SSO
17	Department of School Education & Literacy	Shri S.D. Sarkar, Deputy Secretary, on VC
		Shri Piyush Singh, Under Secretary (ED)
18	Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports	Shri O.P. Chanchal, Under Secretary (MDSD), on VC
19	Ministry of DoNER	Shri B.B. Panigrahi, Joint Director
		Shri Silabhadra Das, Deputy Secretary
		Shri Sandeep Verma, Deputy Secretary
		Shri Sunil Kumar Jain, Executive Engineer
		Shri Mahipal Yadav, Under Secretary