

**NEC-11/2/2024-UNDER SECRETARY(A)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region**  
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Jodhpur Officer's Hostel  
Pandara Road,  
New Delhi - 110011  
Dated: 19.06.2025

**OFFICE MEMORENDUM**

**Subject: Minutes of the meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of Schemes of NEC held on June 03, 2025 at 10:45 AM under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to consider various proposals under 'Schemes of NEC-reg.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to forward herewith a copy of the minutes of meeting of EIMC held on June 03, 2025 at 10:45 AM under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to consider various proposals under 'Schemes of NEC' for kind information and necessary action.

2. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Enclosed: As above

Digitally signed by  
Vijay Kumar Goel  
Date: 19-06-2025  
15:02:55  
Director

**All the Members of EIMC for SoNEC**

**To:**

1. Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region - Chairperson;
2. Chief Executive Officer of NITI Aayog- Member
3. Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs - Member
4. Secretary, DPIIT- Member
5. Secretary, North Eastern Council - Member
6. Financial Adviser, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region - Member

7. Chief Secretaries of all the NE States
8. Secretary, Department of Science and Technology- Line Ministry

**Copy for information to:**

1. Sr. PPS to Secretary, MDoNER
2. PPS to Joint Secretary (AD), MDoNER
3. Deputy Secretary, IFD, MDoNER
4. Technical Wing, MDoNER
5. Dr. Geetima Das Krishna, Invest India
6. Prof. Vimal Katiyar, IIT Guwahati
7. Dr. Mantu Bhuyan, CSIR- Jorhat

**Minutes of the meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) for Schemes of NEC held on June 03, 2025 at 10:45 AM under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER**

A meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of 'Schemes of NEC' was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER on June 03, 2025 at 10:45 AM through VC in the Conference Hall, Jodhpur Officer's Hostel, New Delhi-110003. The list of participants is attached at Annexure-I.

2. Welcoming the participants, the presentation was made. The Agenda wise deliberations and decisions taken are as follows:

**3. Agenda 1: Confirmation of minutes of previous EIMC meeting held on 21.03.2025.**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated vide OM No. NEC-11/2/2024-UNDER SECRETARY(A) on 24.03.2025. No comments have been received. Therefore, the minutes were treated as confirmed.

**4. Agenda 2: Action Taken Report against decisions taken in previous EIMC meeting:** The action taken report of the meeting were discussed and noted by the committee.

**5. Agenda 3: Proposal under 28% Central Agency Component which fall under the subject matter of EIMC:** Detailed presentation was made by Invest India for the IPA proposal. After due discussions and deliberations, the committee made the following recommendations/observations:

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S.No	Project Proposed	Observation of the EIMC	EIMC Recommendation
1	Strengthening state Investment Promotion Agencies (IPAs) in Eight North Eastern States.	<p>The proposal is about providing support to the Investment Promotion Agency (IPA) in each of the 8 NE States. The role of the IPAs is to attract and facilitate potential investment in the respective State.</p> <p>DPIIT supported the proposal.</p> <p>NITI Aayog did not support the Proposal and made certain observations. Clarifications were given by Invest India to NITI Aayog's observations during the meeting. It was made clear that the Proposal is to strengthen the existing IPAs for each and every State, as a single IPA for the NER would not resolve issues specific to the State as the the investment ecosystem would vary from one State of NER to another significantly. Reference was made to the investment summits and roadshows organized by MDoNER in the past garnered around Rs 1.12 lakh crore intent of investment out of which only 5% only could be grounded due to various challenges including variation in land policies across states and due to lack of follow up by the States with the prospective investors. In the wake of the recent 'Rising North East' investment summit a total investment intent of Rs 4.3 lakh crore has been generated whose grounding would required substantial handholding.</p> <p>Other members of EIMC were of the view that every state should have its state-specific IPA, as different states have</p>	EIMC requested NITI Aayog to furnish their comments quickly, in view of the discussion that has taken place.

		different principles, investment policies, land policies, incentive policies and have different USPs. All the States have different policies according to their ecosystem, strengths etc. So, it would be more effective to provide support to respective IPAs of the State rather than having a single IPA for whole NER.	
2	Establishment of North Eastern Science & Technology Cluster (NEST) for promoting Research, Innovation and Skill development	The Proposal is for promoting Research, Innovation and Skill development. NITI Aayog and D/o Science & Technology supported the proposal.	EIMC Approved the proposal with contingency charges of 1% as admissible.

**6. Agenda 4: Proposed changes to the scope / modification of DPR which fall under the subject matter of EIMC:**

Sl No	Project proposal	Remarks	Observations of EIMC	EIMC Recommendation
1	Establishment of STINER-CFC at CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat	The project was already sanctioned on 10.08.2018 and it is placed before EIMC for Change of Scope of work without changing the cost of the project.	NITI Aayog was apprised that the project was sanctioned under NLCPR-Central and the projects were transferred to NEC by Ministry of DoNER for implementation with committed liabilities vide OM No NLCPR-11/1/2018-O/o DIR (NLCPR CENTRAL) dated 23.04.2018.	EIMC asked PD of MDoNER to share the relevant details with NITI Aayog and requested NITI Aayog to furnish its comments quickly. The proposal may be placed in the next EIMC.
4	Establishment of STINER - CFC at SASRD, Nagaland	The project was already sanctioned on 10.08.2018	NITI Aayog was apprised that the project was transferred to NEC and NEC has	EIMC asked PD of MDoNER to share the relevant details with NITI Aayog and requested

		and it is placed before EIMC for Change of Scope of work without changing the cost of the project.	issued revised sanction for the same amount and has also released Rs 4 Crore.	NITI Aayog to furnish its comments quickly. The proposal may be placed in the next EIMC.
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7. The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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#### Annexure- I

##### List of Participants:

1. Secretary, Ministry of DoNER- in chair
2. AS & FA, MDoNER
3. Joint Secretary (AD), MDoNER
4. Secretary, North Eastern Council
5. Deputy Secretary (SDM), MDoNER
6. Deputy Secretary (SV), IFD, MDoNER
7. Under Secretary (AN), MDoNER
8. Consultant (SC), MDoNER
9. ASO (TH), MDoNER
10. Sh. Zubair Ali Hashmi, Director, NITI Aayog
11. Sh. Rajesh Kumar Singh, US, MHA
12. Representative from DPIIT
13. Sh. Chihan Kashung, Invest India
14. Dr. Geetima Das Krishna, Invest India
15. MD, NERCORMP
16. Prof. Vimal Katiyar, IIT Guwahati

17. Representatives from State Govts.
18. Sh. Sananbam Sujen Singh, Extension Officer, NEC
19. Dr. Mantu Bhuyan, CSIR, Jorhat