OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of the meeting to review the project proposals of State Governments under NESIDS, Special Packages of Assam and other miscellaneous matters of projects under Special Packages and NLCPR held on 27.05.2019 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith a copy of the Minutes of the meeting to review the project proposals of State Governments under NESIDS, Special Packages of Assam and other miscellaneous matters of projects under Special Packages and NLCPR held on 27.05.2019 in Hall-A, Ground Floor, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER, for information and necessary action.

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Minutes of the meeting to review the project proposals of State Governments under NESIDS, Special Packages of Assam and other miscellaneous matters of projects under Special Packages and NLCPR held on 27.05.2019 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER

1. A meeting was held on 27.05.2019 at 9.30 am under the Chairmanship of Secretary, M/o. Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) in the Conference Hall at Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi to review the project proposals received from the States for selection/ sanction under NESIDS, Special Packages, NLCPR, etc. and for finalisation for placing before the IMC/ NESIDS Committee for consideration and approval.

2. List of participants is at Annexure-I.

3. Secretary MDoNER, welcoming the participants, in his opening remarks stated as follows:

(i) It is the prime responsibility of the State Government and its officers at state headquarters and field to ensure that estimates of the various proposals / projects submitted to MDoNER are prepared correctly, and quantities / items of works required to be done are reflected correctly duly keeping in view the ground situation, in accordance with the laid down guidelines and procedures prescribed by the State Government.

(ii) There is a need to bring in qualitative improvements in project management by the State Government and strengthening the monitoring and supervision mechanism through regular inspections by the State Government officers, both from the state headquarters and field. It should be ensured that there are no time and cost overruns and / or any leakages/ pilferage/ misappropriation, and full benefit of such projects reach the intended beneficiaries.

(iii) Currently the schemes of MDoNER have approvals upto March 2020 only. Hence it is essential that projects taken up under such schemes are completed in a time-bound manner, preferably by March 2020, or at least the last eligible instalment is claimed from MDoNER before March 2020, for which proposals need to reach MDoNER at least one month in advance to give enough time for processing of such proposals and timely release of funds to the States. If any state is not able to claim the final instalment under any of the sanctioned projects which are ongoing, it will have to bear the remaining liability and complete the project from out of its own resources. Under no circumstances, any project can be abandoned midway.
(iv) Further the State government need to take requisite steps and make necessary budgetary provisions for upkeep and maintenance of the assets created under such projects so that they survive for their planned lifespan without deterioration in its quality or suffer untimely damages.

(v) MDoNER would move the proposal to Ministry of Finance for extension of its scheme with enhanced allocations at appropriate times. For this purpose, the states may send further proposals, which can be broadly processed and kept in shelf of projects for consideration as and when MoF agrees for sanction of schemes and / or enhanced allocations.

(vi) It was also observed that in many cases, especially in case of road projects, the states propose projects which contain only segment(s) of a larger road, with multiple segments being undertaken under different schemes of Centre and/ or State, which make it difficult for MDoNER to monitor the progress of such projects and ensure non-duplication with other schemes. This would also lead to weaker control(s) over the multiple contractors working on multiple segments of the project sanctioned under different schemes. Hence it is desirable that for each project, especially for road project, a holistic view should be taken to pose those projects to MDoNER which have not been taken / are not proposed to be taken in parts under other schemes, unless there are very strong reasons / justification to do so.

(vii) Further, all such road projects where only part of the road is proposed under a particular project, the starting and end point chainage should be clearly mentioned and identified with local names and same should be mentioned alongwith the main nomenclature of the road by which it is generally known in that area so that the project areas are clearly identifiable and demarkable. (This is in addition to giving the longitude and latitude and other relevant details of the starting / end point as per existing practice). Each such proposal should be accompanied with a layout map of road with all points and distances etc. being clearly earmarked.

(vi) A board should be put up at each site, right from the date work is awarded, giving brief project details at a glance, for the information of general public.

4. Thereafter, projects of States under different schemes were taken up one by one. Representatives of the States made presentation(s). Discussions held on these projects and observations / decisions are summarised as follows :

5 Five project proposals from Assam for sanction under NESIDS

5.1 Construction-cum-double laning of the 64 km of road from Diyungmukh to Umrongso via Panimir (Cost – Rs. 152.93 crore) (copy of presentation at Annexure-II)
(a) It was observed that in the concept paper, the route was from Lanka to Khandong via Umrongso, costing Rs. 221 crore. In the 9th IMC held on 19.12.2018, while approving the selection of the project, the length was reduced by taking only section of Diyungmukh to Umrongso (54 kms) plus upgradation of village road from this road to Panimur (10 kms). The total length of the road was 64 kms, costing Rs. 153 crore. SLEC chaired by Chief Secretary in its meeting held on 07.05.2019 has further reduced the length from 64 kms to 45.115 kms at a cost of Rs. 152.93 crore. It was observed that the reduction in the road length has not got reflected in the corresponding reduction in the cost. To this, the state government representative explained that the length of the road has been reduced keeping in view the available balance funds under NESIDS, otherwise, as per latest SoR, based on which estimates has been prepared, 64 kms of the length cannot be completed at the cost of Rs. 153 crore. The state government representative also mentioned that they would cover the remaining stretch of 90 kms road under its own schemes, from its own resources and float a separate tender for the remaining works.

(b) After detailed discussion, there was a consensus that state government may review and consider covering all the required works / segments in the complete road segment from Lanka to Khandong via Umrongso (90 kms) and upgradation of village road from this road to Panimur (10 kms), if required, as per local need to promote tourism, and pose a complete project for overall development of this road from NESIDS scheme of MDoNER rather than covering it under multiple schemes of Centre / State. If sufficient funds are not available to cover the full project, it is advisable to cover some of the other proposed projects under state schemes or keep them pending for the time being till further allocations are available under NESIDS.

(c) State Government will submit the revised proposal accordingly, with the approval of SLEC, at least 7 days before the next IMC/ NESIDS committee meeting.

5.2 Restoration and improvement of SH-6 [Barpeta road to Bashbari Road leading to Manas Wildlife Sanctuary from Length – 1.50 km (Cost – Rs. 56.50 crore) (copy of presentation at Annexure -III)

(a) As per the decision of 9th IMC meeting held on 19.12.2018, the selection of the project was subject to technical vetting of the project by institutes with contextual domain expertise. North Eastern Hydraulic and Allied Research Institute (NEHARI), Guwahati and Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS) under MoWR, RD and GR. This has not been done by the state Government. Instead a component wise abstract of the costs has been vetted by the Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, Assam Engineering College. IMC had retained the project for Rs. 47.46 crore, but as per SoR 2018-19, approved by SLEC held on 07.05.2019 cost has escalated to 56.50 crore.

(b) It was seen that it was actually not a work of restoration work to SH-6, stretch(s) of which have already been taken up under different schemes and work is going on. Rather, these are the river protection works. Representative of line ministries were of the view that undertaking of such project without undertaking a
detailed technical study and collection of data is not desirable. The representatives of the State government explained that river data sought by NEHARI and such vetting of such data could not be carried out.

(c) Keeping in view the reservations of representatives of line departments on technical grounds and non-adherence to the conditions imposed in the IMC meeting referred to, there was a consensus view that this project may be taken up by the State government under its own scheme / from its own resources and savings from this project can be suitably used to augment the requirement of funds for project at S. No. 1 above and/or other projects.

5.3 Construction of Majuli Bongaon (Dakhinpat Satra) Road, Majuli (Cost – Rs. 17.79 crore) (copy of presentation at Annexure-IV)

(a) As per concept note the project would improve the connectivity between Salmara Ghat, Afalamukh Ghat and Sumaimari Ghat in the Majuli Island, a famous tourist destination and would also provide connectivity to other states via Lakhimpur. In the 9th IMC meeting held on 19.12.2018, State Government stated that retaining walls needs to be strengthened in the proposed selection of the road to protect its erosion from the Brahmaputra river. Length of road is 7.85 km. The proposed road starts at Bongaon chariali and passes through the approach roads of Salmora Ghat, Afala ghat, Dakhinpat ghat, Dakhinpat Satra and Sumaimari ghat and finally connects Kamalabari-Majuli-Bangaonroat at Potiya Tinali. The project name in Appraisal Report has been changed to “Improvement of Road from Bongaon to Potia Tinali (Dakhinpat Satra Road)”. No component of protection work or retaining walls for erosion in vetted abstract of cost. Retained cost is Rs. 14.91 crore and SLEC vetted cost of the project is Rs. 17.79 crore.

(b) After detailed discussion, and keeping in view that the available funds may not be sufficient, State government was asked to keep this project pending. In the meantime, discrepancies pointed out may be sorted out so that this project can be kept in the shelf of projects to be taken up as and when some savings emerged.

5.4 Digboi Town Water Supply Scheme (Cost – Rs. 25.00 crore) (copy of presentation at Annexure-V)

(a) Originally SG submitted a concept note of the project for Rs. 44.56 crore. In the 14th IMC meeting held on 01.03.2018 it was recommended the part of project proposal to develop the source of water supply consisting of following components at the estimated cost of Rs. 25 crore:

   - Construction of intake well including raw water pump house; River protection of barge site by spurs, Suppling and installation of centrifugal raw and clear water pump etc., Supplying and laying of DISS raw water pumping and clear water pumping; Construction of 3.90 MLD capacity treatment plant including sludge disposal line; Construction of 1450 cum capacity RCC ESRs.

(b) The balance portion component of the project was to be taken up under other
resources. SLEC vetted cost of the project funded under NESIDS is Rs. 25.00 crore including the component “Road restoration charge for raw water and clear water pumping main” of Rs. 52 lacs which was not catered for in the concept paper. The total project cost is Rs. 44.52 crore.

(c) After detailed discussion, and keeping in view the benefit of such scheme, there was a consensus that such project should be taken up in totality including the distribution part, so that assets created are fully used. If necessary some other projects can be deferred and savings can be utilised for this purpose. This was agreed to and State was asked to submit the revised cost estimates for the project, including distribution part, with the approval of SLEC, at least 7-days before the date of next IMC.

5.5 Construction of RCC Bridge No. 3/1 (L=160.94 m) over River Dikhow at Chiripuria Ghat (Cost – Rs. 18 crore) (copy of presentation at Annexure-VI)

(a) The State government originally proposed bridge over river Dikhow at Chiripuria Ghat along with road from Chiripuria to NH-37 which would serve as a direct link of communication between Amguri and Sibsagar with an estimated cost of Rs. 25 crore. The 14th IMC meeting held on 01.03.2019 recommended only the bridge part of the project i.e. construction of RCC Bridge No. 3/1 (L=160.94 m) over River Dikhow at Chiripuria Ghat and related work at estimated cost of Rs. 17.00 crore for selection under NESIDS. IMC opined that balance work of widening of road will be considered against the saving of the foreclosure of projects whenever it occurs. Project is giving connectivity to Ajan Peer Dargah which is a popular tourist place; Pani Dihing wildlife sanctuary and Pani Dihing Bird Sanctuary. SLEC recommended the vetted DPR of the project while again including road from Chiripuria via Ajan Peer Dargah to NH-37 and recommended to sanction at vetted cost of Rs. 18.00 crore. The cost of the approach road is Rs. 4.39 crore including taxes as per cost appraisal report.

(b) Representatives of the state government gave due justification and requested for sanction of the total project including cost of project road. This was agreed to by the Committee.

6. Project proposals from Arunachal Pradesh for sanction under NESIDS – Construction of Residential Building for HCM at Niti Vihar, Itanagar (Cost Rs. 24.08 crores) (copy of presentation at Annexure-VII)

Representatives of the State government made a brief presentation and explained the rationale behind the proposed project. However, after detailed deliberations, it was observed that the scope of the proposed work does not fall under NESIDS guidelines. Hence, the state government was requested to undertake such projects under its own schemes from its own resources.
7. **Project proposals from Assam for retention / selection under KAATC**

Representatives of the KAATC presented following 5 proposals for retention / selection. Copies of presentation at Annexure VIII to XII

7.1 Waste water treatment plant in catchment area to check the source of pollution of river Diphu (Cost Rs. 69.92 crores)
7.2 Improvement of road from Dikreng Char-li via Heliport (Under Construction) to Taralangso Road circle, Length=2.60 km (Cost Rs. 7.60 crores)
7.3 Conversion of single lance to Double lane road from DAV school to Polytechnic, Diphu via checksolangso, Length=2.00 km (Cost Rs. 8.10 crores)
7.4 Improvement of road from Assam Survey Office to Taralangso via Malongso, Length=32.0 km (Cost – Rs. 6.08 crore)
7.5 Improvement of Diphu Government College Approach road from Lorulangso road to ITI PHE road (Cost – Rs. 3.22 crore)

As regards project at S. No. 7.1, it was stated that in 153rd meeting of NLCPR committee held on 23.08.2017, project “Preservation, protection and improvement & cleaning of Diphu river at Diphu” was retained at the cost Rs. 10.00 crore but the committee requested Principal Secretary, KAATC to work out cost of installation of sewage plant in the catchment area to check the source of pollution of the river and incorporate these components with costs while preparing DPR and revise the overall cost of the project accordingly.

In response, State government submitted the revised instant project proposal catering for the Sewage / Waste Water Treatment Plant and other relevant works.

A detailed presentation was given by the State Government. After detailed discussion, the project was found in order for retention.

As projects equal to the available balance under the KAATC package have already been selected / sanctioned and no balance is available, the remaining 4 projects at S. No. 7.2 to 7.5 were deferred for consideration as and when some savings emerge.

8. **Project Proposals from Assam for retention under DHATC**

Representatives of the Council presented following proposals for retention under DHATC special package. Copies of the presentations enclosed at Annexure-XIII to XVII.

8.1 **Establishment of Bamboo Industrial Park (BIP) at Manderdisa (Cost – Rs 50.00 crore)**

(a) The State Govt explained in detail about the proposal and created facility, which has long term impact of sustainable socio-economic development. This facility will result optimum utilization of bamboo with least wastage. A Concept Paper on the outcome of the proposed facility is enclosed at Annexue-XVIII.

(b) After detailed discussion, the project was found is in order and accepted.

8.2 **Enhancement of Rural Socio-Economy with sustainable livelihood**
through piggery farming in Dima Hasao (Cost – 4.00 Cr)

(a) Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam explained the merits of the project and derived benefits. He brought out that 70% of the total demand of pork is met by the supply from outside the North East states. He suggested cluster based module in which two piglets per family can be given. 8 to 10 households will form one SHG. One cluster will have around 10 SHGs. He also explained about shifting cultivation.

(b) After detailed discussion, an opinion was evolved to incorporate insurance to make the project sustainable. It was also observed to contemplate the availability of pig feed, veterinary services and supply of piglets in the area of the project. Representative of DHATC was asked to modify the project suitably keeping in view the suggestion of Additional Chief Secretary and other members during the meeting and submit a revised project proposal. Subject to this, the project was found acceptable.

Following projects were also found in order to be retained:-

8.3 Construction of Veer Sambhudhan Phonglo Memorial Park at Maibang, Dima Hasao

Based on the presentation made by DHATC representatives and discussion, the project was found acceptable.

8.4 Construction of Model Village at Longkhor Maibang, Dima Hasao

Based on the presentation made by DHATC representatives and discussion, the project was found acceptable.

8.5 Conservation and Preservation of Dimasa Stone House at Maibang, Dima Hasao

Based on the presentation made by DHATC representatives and discussion, the project was found acceptable.

9. Miscellaneous Issues in projects under KAATC

9.1 Dropping of project -- “Construction of 2 (two) RCC Bridge, Br. No. 4/1, and Br. No. 8/1 on Ulukunchi Amtereng Bazar (UAB) road” (Cost – Rs 4.40 crore)

State Government requested to drop the above project as it had already been taken up under PMGSY scheme. After detailed discussion, it was found appropriate to drop the project. State Government assured refund of the released token amount of Rs 10.00 lakh.

9.2 Change in scope of Work -- Construction of RCC Road from NH-39 to BBDC road via Langmili, L=10.70 km (Cost Rs 12.63 crore)

This project was retained at a cost of Rs. 1262.81 lakh on the recommendations of NLCPR committee in its 149th meeting held on 21.02.2017.
Government of Assam vide letter dated 07.04.2018 stated that the project was duly recommended by SLSC for sanction at the cost of Rs 1262.81 lakh. However, on scrutiny of the proposal, it was found that length of the road has been reduced to 10.70 Km from 11.00 Km (as per Concept Paper), without change in cost. The representatives of the Council explained that after detailed survey in the field, the length of the road was found as 11.13 km including 430.00m bridge stretch. The Proposal for the RCC bridge including approaches is provided separately. It was also brought out that due to lack of proper Rate Analysis during making the proposal some shortfall happens in the amount. The explanation was considered and viewed justified.

9.3 Change in scope of Work -- M & BT and Construction from Umkhirmi, Somaton to Mukroh, L=10.10 km (Cost Rs 8.63 crore)

(a) The project was retained at a cost of Rs. 863.00 lakh on the recommendations of NLCPR committee in its 149th meeting held on 21.02.2017. Government of Assam duly recommended the project in SLSC for sanction at the cost of Rs 863.00 lakh. However, on scrutiny of the proposal, it was found that “length of the road reduced from 11.50 km to 10.10 Km (original length)”.

(b) State Govt explained the following reasons for the change in length of the road:- The change in length of the road from 11.50 Km to 10.10 Km happened as alignment of the road considered originally in preparing Project Concept Paper has occurred when detailed survey was conducted for preparation of DPR. Moreover, some factors viz. for making steep gradient to moderate, cutting in rocky terrain etc. involved more expenditure for execution of work considered in DPR than those originally considered in PCP. However, no beneficiary has been omitted in the new alignment considered. The explanation was considered and viewed justified.

9.4 Change in scope of Work -- Construction of road with M&BT from Chek Artu to Belending to Dera-Arlok, L=9.35 km (Cost Rs 7.70 crore)

(a) The project was retained at a cost of Rs. 770.00 lakh on the recommendations of NLCPR committee in its 149th meeting held on 21.02.2017. Government of Assam (SLSC) recommended the project for sanction at the cost of Rs 770.00 lakh.

(b) State Govt explained the following reasons for the change in length from 11.20 km to 9.35 km:-

(i) Original length of 11.20 Km considered in preparation of concept paper for a total estimated cost of Rs. 770.00 lakhs only. But length of the proposed road has been changed to 9.35 Km since the original alignment considered in the PCP (Project Concept Paper) has been shifted in some stretches due to very steep gradient that was impossible to make moderate within the proposed amount of Rs. 770.00 lakhs.

(ii) However, shortening of the length from 11.20 Km to 9.35 Km has not
left out any habitation originally considered in the PCP. New alignment considered in DPR decreased the travelling time on one hand and keeping the estimated cost within the sanctioned amount of Rs. 770.00 lakhs on the other. The explanation was considered and viewed justified.

9.5 Change in scope of Work -- Construction of road from Era gaon to Tikoklangso toward Langchitung, L=12.40 km (Cost Rs 15.28 crore)

(a) The project was retained at a cost of Rs. 2705.00 lakh on the recommendations of NLCPR committee in its 149th meeting held on 21.02.2017. Government of Assam duly recommended the project for sanction at the cost of Rs 1528.00 lakh by SLSC meeting. However, on scrutiny of the proposal, it was found that the cost of the project had been reduced from Rs 2705.00 lakh to Rs 1528.00 lakh and also the length of the road had been reduced from 27.00 Km to 12.40 Km.

(b) State Govt explained the following reasons for escalation of the cost:-

(i) Construction of road from Kanjuk Athoi Ram Terang to Lanchitung has been taken up under PMGSY package No AS-12-388 for the remaining 14.60 km out of the total 27 km under MOS.

(ii) Hence, the length of the road has been reduced to 12.4 km out of 27 km due to overlapping of 14.60 Km.

The explanation was considered and viewed justified.

9.6 Change in scope of Work -- Greater Umsowai Water Supply Scheme to cover from Romphoni up to Patalu (Cost Rs 17.32 crore)

(a) The project was retained at a cost of Rs. 1577.00 lakh on the recommendations of NLCPR committee in its 149th meeting held on 21.02.2017. Government of Assam recommended the project for sanction at the cost of Rs 1732.033 lakh in SLSC.

(b) State Govt explained the following reasons for escalation of the cost:-

(i) Escalation of market rates during the period of preparation of DPR and Concept Paper.
(ii) Change of alignment of distribution pipe line and clear water pumping main due to widening of road during preparing of DPR conducting detailed field survey for the same.
(iii) Enhanced capacity of raw water pump resulted enhancement of rates for the same.
(iv) New hamlets, to be covered in the DPR considering new demand areas, caused additional cost to the DPR.

The explanation was considered and viewed justified.
10. **Miscellaneous Issues under BTC**

10.1 **Change in Location from Karigaon (Kokrajhar) to Kashikotra (Chirang) -- Food processing Park at Kashikotra, Chirang (Rs 9.96 crore)**

(a) This project “Setting up of Food Processing Plant at Karigaon, Kokrajhar” was retained at a cost of Rs. 996.00 lakh on the recommendations of NLCPR committee in its 74th meeting held on 04.11.2009.

(b) State Government submitted the Concept Note of the project recently on 20.05.2019 in which the location of the project has been changed from Karigaon (Kokrajhar) to Kashikotra (Chirang).

(c) Government of Assam had approved the proposal in principle subject to the following in SLSC held on 21.09.2011 for sanction at the cost of Rs 996.00 lakh:

(i) SLSC directed that the details of the PPP Model should be furnished by BTC before forwarding the same to the Govt of India, Ministry of DoNER through P&D Department.

(ii) SLSC suggested that BTC may consider that the share of profit accrued from the project should be in proportion to the percentage of share holding.

(iii) The meeting authorized the WPT&BC Department to take necessary appropriate action to forward the proposal to GoI through proper channel in the light of the foregoing.

(d) The officials of the council explained that the availability of land in Karigaon (Kokrajhar) is only 25 Bighas, whereas in Kashikotra (Chirang), it is 75 Bighas as per requirement.

(e) After detailed discussion, it was viewed that the issue may be examined by SLSC and submit the details of the PPP model in executive summary.

11 **Projects of Assam for Miscellaneous issues under NLCPR**

11.1 **Condoning the Time Delay in Tendering -- Construction of Multi Disciplinary Sports Complex at Khanikar in Dibrugarh District - Condoning the delay of project (Cost – 139.82 Cr)**

(a) Work order of Rs 13537.40 lacs has been issued on 07.03.2019 by the State Govt i.e after the lapse of stipulated time (6 months) for tendering process.

(b) Reasons for delay submitted and explained by state govt:

i. Though Administrative approval was issued by DoNER on 05.12.2017, the same was issued from Sports & Youth Welfare Deptt on 28.02.2018.

ii. Time taken for preparation of Drawing and Design of the project considering various factors such as international standard, site conditions etc. where the decisions had to be taken from highest levels.

(c) After due deliberation the time delay was considered to be condoned.

11.2 **Escalated cost of the project from 36.22 to Rs 48 crore --**
Construction of 220/132 KV, 2x50 MVA and 220/33 KV, 2x40 MVA Azara Sub - Station with 220 KV LILO line from one circuit of 220 KV DC Agia - Sarusajia line along with construction of 132 KV SC line to Boko with terminal bay at 132/33 Boko Sub-station

(a) The project was retained by the NLCPR Committee in its 42\textsuperscript{nd} Meeting held on 16.06.2006 at an estimated cost of Rs 47.35 crore and Sanctioned on 26/09/2007 at Rs 36.22 crore after recommendation of NLCPR Committee in its 50\textsuperscript{th} Meeting. The one of the clause of Terms & conditions of AFA states–“any escalation towards cost of the project has to be borne by the state government from their own resources”.

(b) State Government has replaced the work LILO of ’220 KV D/C BTPS-Boko-Sarusajai Line at 220/132 KV Kukurmara S/s’ instead of earlier approved work ‘132KV S/C Line on D/C Tower from Kukurmara to Boko’. The total cost of project escalated from Rs. 36.22 cr to 48.00 cr. The component for Rs. 5.12 cr could not be executed due to the problem of ‘Right-of-Way’. New item LILO system incorporated for Rs. 1.42 cr, resulted into financial effect of Rs. 3.70 cr (Rs 5.12 cr – Rs 1.42 cr). The matter was taken up in 9\textsuperscript{th} IMC for approval in change of scope of work and IMC approved the change in scope of work in the project by SG. IMC recommended to revise the approved cost as Rs. 3252.00 lakh [Rs.3622.07-(Rs.512.00-142.00)]. State Government has stated that overall cost of the project has escalated from Rs.36.22 crore to Rs.48 crore.

(c) In the review meeting, representatives of power department of state have again placed the matter for approval of higher project cost. SG again requested to keep the approved cost unchanged with change in scope of work as per the recommendation of SLEC in its meeting held on 15.05.2018.

(d) After detailed deliberation, it was evolved that there should not be further reduction of approved cost (i.e Rs. 36.22 crore) under NLCPR as the actual project cost is much higher and opined that the proposal of keeping the approval cost back to Rs 36.22 crore may be placed before next IMC meeting.

12. One Project Proposal from Nagaland for Sanction under NESIDS

12.1 Scheme for providing stable power supply to Mon district (Cost – Rs 20.96 crore) (copy of presentation at Annexure – XIX)

(a) IMC in its 13th meeting held on 22.02.2019, recommended for selection for Rs 22.74 crore under NESIDS subject to confirmation by state government/ Ministry of Power that no money is available/ catered for under IPDS of this project. Ministry of Power has submitted to MDoNER that the sub-station as sought for Mon Town and Insulator repair for 56 KV line from Mokokchung to Mon have not been considered for funding under IPDS (enclosed at Annexure-XX). SLEC recommended the vetted the DPR of project and recommended to sanction at vetted cost of Rs 20.96 crore in its meeting held on 23.05.2019. Representatives of State Govt explained in details the necessity of strengthening 66 KV line and setting up of a new 20 MVA S/s in Mon.

(b) After detailed deliberation the project was found suitable for sanctioned
under NESIDS at the vetted cost of Rs 20.96 crore.
(c) As total entitlement of Nagaland is only Rs. 179.22 crore, and projects up to that amount only can be sanctioned, SG need to prioritise the 10 selected projects for Rs. 207.13 crore, and propose projects up to 179.22 crore for sanction, including the projects mentioned under para 12.1 above, before the next IMC with the approval of SLEC.

13. The status of projects, yet to be sanctioned and available balance for new project under NESIDS, is shown at the table as below:

| States         | Entitlement including saving under NLCPR (Rs. in crore) | Sanctioned | Available Fund |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
|                | (No) II (Cost) III IV (No) V (Cost) VI VII (II-IV-VI)  |            |                |                |
| Arunachal Pradesh | *393.54 | 16 312.72 | 3 69.33 | 11.49 |
| Assam          | 471.85  | 5 209.56 | 5 257.37 | 4.92 |
| Manipur        | 194.95  | 6 137.52 | 1 45 | 12.43 |
| Meghalaya      | 176.40  | 6 174.81 | 0 0 | 1.59 |
| Mizoram        | 187.01  | 3 181.96 | 0 0 | 5.05 |
| Nagaland       | 179.22  | 0 0 | 10 207.13 | -27.91 |
| Sikkim         | 98.10   | 2 103.31 | 0 0 | -5.21 |
| Tripura        | 169.20  | 0 169.20 | 3 | 0 |
| **Total**      | **1870.27** | **37 1119.89** | **22 748.03** | **2.36** |

**Note:-**
(a) Rs. 393.54* includes Rs. 75.85 (Saving accrued against foreclosure of NLCPR Projects)
(b) 69.33 # - Funding of selected projects against saving accrued for Rs 75.85*, subject to approval of IFD
(c) Balance available for Assam will change once the projects considered in today’s meeting are recast as stated in these minutes.
(d) Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram can propose new projects up to the available allocation as indicated above with proposals which fulfil NESIDS guidelines which should be placed before next IMC failing which these amount will be transferred to other states.

13.1 It was stated that the State Govt. may place the selected project proposals (as depicted under col. VI) before SLEC and forward the recommendations, seven days prior to next IMC. New projects may be proposed for selection, against the available balance (column –VII) to utilize complete entitled amount earmarked for respective State.

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

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