

NEC-11/17/2018-O/o US (NEC)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region  
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Jodhpur Officer Hostel, Pandara Park,  
India Gate, New Delhi - 110003.

Dated: 08.04.2025

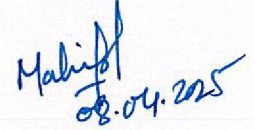
**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Minutes of the meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC - 17) held on 02.04.2025 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to consider under NESIDS (Roads) - reg.**

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC-17) held on 02.04.2025 in hybrid mode under the chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region to consider the project proposal under NESIDS (Roads) for information and necessary action please.

2. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

**Encl.: As above.**

  
08.04.2025

(Mahipal Yadav)

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**To:**

1. Chief Executive Officer (CEO), NITI Aayog
2. Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs
3. Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
4. Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development
5. Secretary, Logistics (DPIIT)
6. Chief Secretaries (All the 8 NER States)
7. Secretary, North Eastern Council, Shillong
8. AS & FA, Ministry of DoNER
9. Financial Adviser, North Eastern Council, Shillong

**Copy to:**

1. Shri Aditya Prakash, Chief Engineer, MoRTH
2. Shri Bidur Kant Jha, Director (New Technology), MoRTH
3. Deputy Secretary (SV), IFD, Ministry of DoNER
4. Shri Moneshwar Kalita, Superintending Engineer, NEC
5. Shri Timan Singh, Deputy Director, MoRD
6. Shri Lalatendu Behera, Superintending Engineer, MoRTH
7. Sri Ashish Srivastava, NRIDA, Ministry of Rural Development
8. Shri RKP Sana, EE, NEC
9. NE Division, MHA

**Copy for information to:**

1. PPS to Secretary, Ministry of DoNER

**Minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) meeting held on 02.04.2025 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to consider various project proposals under NESIDS (Roads):**

The 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) for NESIDS (Roads) Scheme was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER on 02.04.2025 in hybrid mode in the Conference Room, Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, New Delhi. The list of participants is **annexed**.

2. The Secretary, Ministry of DoNER welcomed the participants and asked the Joint Secretary (Infrastructure) to start the presentation. The deliberations and decisions were taken as follows:

**Agenda No.1-** The Minutes of the Meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> EIMC held on 25.02.2025 were circulated vide MDoNER O.M. No. NEC-11/17/2018-O/o US (NEC)-Part(1) dated 19.03.2025. As there were no comments received from any State Government/Line Ministry/NITI Aayog, the Committee confirmed the minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup>EIMC.

**Agenda No. 2-Project considered for Change in Scope/Cost:**

SN	State	Name of Project	Original Sanctioned Cost (in cr.)	Revised Approved Cost (in cr.)	Deliberations	Decision of EIMC
1	Sikkim	Construction of two lane balanced cantilever bridge over river Kanaka at Kayum Dzongu in North Sikkim (Length-247.275M)	88.54	₹97.89 (88.54+9.35)	<p>i. During the discussions, State Govt. of Sikkim informed that there is no connectivity to the project site till date from October, 2023 i.e. after Teesta river flood and requested for consideration of increasing the duration of price escalation to 24 months.</p> <p>ii. But the committee consulted</p>	Recommended for a total cost of ₹97.89 crore, including a cost escalation of ₹9.35 crore.

					<p>MoRTH and was informed that only 6-months of extension for Covid-19 may be given as per standard norm</p> <p>iii. Rest period of extension for 16 months may be accepted making it the total period of 22 months.</p> <p>iv. The Committee decided to recommend 22 months for price escalation</p>	
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3. While reviewing the Allocation and Expenditures, the State Governments were requested to submit the Concept Notes/DPRs to this Ministry on time as per their balance outlay.
4. The State Governments were also advised to expedite their implementation process as it is the working season now in North East and to ask this Ministry for additional funds, if required. They were also requested to prepare the month-wise and quarter-wise expenditure plans from now onwards so as to ensure for timely releases of funds and execution of the projects. The Utilization Certificate of fund released may be provided to NEC at the earliest.
5. It was re-iterated by the Committee that while preparing the DPRs of road Projects, new technologies for road construction should invariably be used as per MoRTH and IRC Guidelines so that the roads have longer durability and protection from rain water.
6. The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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List of Participants of the Meeting

From Ministry of DoNER

1. Secretary, Ministry of DoNER-In-Chair
2. Shri Asit Gopal, AS&FA, Ministry of DoNER
3. Joint Secretary (S), Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
4. Shri S.Bhalla, Secretary, NEC, Shillong
5. Financial Adviser, NEC
6. Shri B.B. Panigrahi, Director, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
7. Shri Sandeep Verma, Deputy Secretary, IFD, MDoNER
8. Shri R.K.P. Sana, Executive Engineer, NEC
9. Shri Mahipal Yadav, US, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
10. NEC Secretariat

From Other Ministries/ Departments

1. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram
2. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Sikkim
3. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Nagaland
4. Additional Secretary Planning, Govt. of Tripura
5. Shri Mohd Zubair Ali Hashmi, Director, NITI Aayog
6. Shri L.Behera, Suptt. Engineer, MoRTH
7. Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh, US (NE), MHA
8. Shri Ashish Srivastava, NRIDA, MoRD
9. Shri Sher Singh Meena, US, DPIIT
10. Planning Department, Govt. of Nagaland