

NESIDS/39/2025-O/o UNDER SECRETARY(MY)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region  
(NESIDS-Roads)

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Jodhpur Officer Hostel, Pandara Park,  
India Gate, New Delhi - 110003.

Dated: 22.07.2025

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Minutes of the meeting of Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC - 19) held on 08.07.2025 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to consider various projects under NESIDS (Roads) - reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC-19) held on 08.07.2025 in hybrid mode under the chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region to consider various project proposals under NESIDS (Roads) for information and necessary action please.

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

Encl.: As above.

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22.07.2025

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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
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1. PPS to Secretary, Ministry of DoNER
2. PS to JS(S), Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER



**Minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC-19) meeting held on 08.07.2025 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to consider various project proposals under NESIDS (Roads).**

The 19<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 08.07.2025 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 last Meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> EIMC held on 03.06.2025 were circulated vide MDoNER's O.M. No. Infra/7/2025-O/o UNDER SECRETARY(MY) dated 18.06.2025. As there were no comments received from any State Government/Line Ministry/NITI Aayog, the Committee confirmed the minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> EIMC.

**Agenda No. 2 - Consideration of DPR (01) for Sanction/Approval:**

SN	Name of Project	State	Length (in KM)	Cost (in cr.)	Deliberations	Decision of EIMC
1	Construction of Mangoldoi-Mazikuchi road from Km 11+000 to 26+200 (L=15.00 KM(1240013))	Assam	15	45.31	The representative of the State Govt. informed that the current road is in a very poor and dilapidated condition as it was last constructed in the year 2005.  MoRTH, MHA, MoRD and DPIIT have supported the project on PVS Portal already. NITI Aayog supported the project during the meeting and informed that they will upload their comments on PVS portal within 1 week.	Recommended for approval of DPR.

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**Agenda No. 3- Projects for In-Principal Approval (03):**

SN	Name of Project	State	Length (in KM)	Cost (in cr.)	Deliberations	Decision of EIMC
1	Construction of Road from Singri to No. 1 Sitamari under NESIDS for the year 2024-2025 (L= 6.2 Km) (1250007)	Assam	6.2	22.91	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MoRTH, MHA and MoRD have supported the project on PVS Portal. NITI Aayog &amp; DPIIT supported the project during the meeting and informed that they will upload their comments on PVS portal within 1 week.</li> <li>On the basis of the Gati Shakti portal analysis, EIMC observed that at different stretches of the proposed road alignment, there is an existing road in its close proximity, so State Govt. was requested to re-examine their proposal and submit again.</li> </ul>	To be placed in the next EIMC.
2	Widening and Strengthening of road NH-37 to Garchuk via Harmotigarh for the year 2024-25(1250006)	Assam	8.2	31.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MoRTH, MHA and MoRD have supported the project on PVS Portal. NITI Aayog &amp; DPIIT supported the project during</li> </ul>	Recommended for In-principle approval.

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					<p>the meeting and informed that they will upload their comments on PVS portal within 1 week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On the basis of Gati Shakti Analysis, the EIMC observed that the proposed road is a new alignment with no existing connectivity.</li> <li>• Further, the EIMC suggested that the DPR should include proper design and cost analysis, adoption of new technologies of construction, proper gap analysis on the Gati Shakti portal to optimise the resources. Further, the DPR should also include details of the socio-economic benefits to be accrued from this road including connectivity being provided to the number of villages, schools, hospitals, markets etc.</li> </ul>	
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3	Geometric Improvement Of Curves & Carpeting Of Road From RimbiKhola To Yuksam In Gyalshing District, Sikkim (Length = 19.60 Km)	Sikkim	19.60	22.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The representative of the Sikkim Govt. informed that the road connects remotest village to Dist HQ. This road is also an important part of Tourist Circuit of Sikkim.</li> <li>MoRTH, DPIIT and MoRD have supported the project on PVS Portal. NITI Aayog &amp; MHA supported the project during the meeting and informed that they will upload their comments on PVS portal within 1 week.</li> <li>EIMC requested the State Govt. to send the DPR as early as possible.</li> </ul>	Recommended for In-principle approval.
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Agenda No. 4- Consideration of Projects for Change of Scope (02):

S N	Name of Project	State	Length (in KM)	Cost (in cr.)	Deliberations	Decision of EIMC
1	Improvement/Upgradation of Road connecting Tadubi to Chowainamei Kunao and maopung Dung, Senapati District	Manipur	10.045 km	Vetted Revise d Cost - Rs. 44.06 cr	SG had requested for COS in 4 components and the EIMC made following recommendations:  • Extra earthwork: Not accepted.  • Increase in Length of Breast wall to 400m but limited to 250m is Accepted and increase in Length of Retaining wall to 50m is Accepted.  • Increase in Crash barrier length to 2000m but limited to 1500m is Accepted.  • Road furniture for entire length of the project (10045m) was proposed. The representative of the State Govt.	To be placed in the next EIMC.

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					<p>explained that the cost approved for road furniture in the original scope of work was only Rs. 10 Lakhs, which was not sufficient. However, the EIMC observed that in EPC contracts, if some item was already provisioned in the contract, the enhancement of its rates is not permissible merely on the ground that the rate provisioned in the contract was insufficient. The road furniture is to be provided as per the IRC specifications and its rate can't be enhanced at this belated stage on the request of the construction</p>	
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					<p>firm. The representative of the MoRTH agreed to the observation of the EIMC in this regard. Accordingly, the State Govt. was requested to re-examine what components were part of the original scope of work as per the IRC code and resubmit the proposal accordingly in the next EIMC meeting.</p>	
2	Improvement and Upgradation of Lawngtlai to Tuipui Ferry Road, Lawgtlai District in Mizoram	Mizoram	9.00	<p>Vetted Revised Cost - Rs. 26.95 cr</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The representative of the State Govt. informed that they constructed a 9 km pavement in place of the sanctioned 10 km because of funding from PMGSY scheme for the additional 1 km.</li> <li>SG proposed additional works in:</li> </ul>	<p>Recommended for approval</p>

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					Retaining wall- Accepted	
					RCC Side Drain Cover - Accepted	
					RCC Link Drain - Not Accepted	
					Cross Drain- Not Accepted	
					Clearance of Landslip- Not Accepted	
					Road Signages- Accepted	
					Road marking- Accepted	
					Metal Beam Crash Barrier- Accepted	
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>After reduction in cost for only 9km of road constructed on pro-rata basis and adding the additional components, the final revised cost of Rs. 26.33 Cr. for the project was recommended by the Committee. The State Government agreed to the same.</li> </ul>	

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3. The Competent Authority has raised certain observations in respect of the following two DPRs and the State Govt. of Mizoram has been requested to provide their response thereon separately:

- i. Construction of Pukzing to Silsury Road (Intermediate Lane), Mizoram under NESIDS (Roads) (Length L = 21.00 Km). (1240019)
- ii. Construction of Tualpui to Champhai Road, Mizoram (21.00 KM) (1240004)

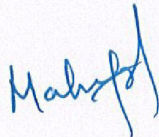
4. While reviewing the outlays, the State Governments were requested to submit the Concept Notes/DPRs to the Ministry on time as per their available balance outlay.

5. The State Governments were requested to expedite the completion of the ongoing projects, as this is the last year of the current 15<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission period. They were also requested to send the demand proposals as per the expenditure plans.

6. 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 the MoRTH and IRC Guidelines so that the roads have longer durability and protection from rain water.

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

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List of Participants of the Meeting

From Ministry of DoNER

1. Shri Chanchal Kumar, Secretary, Ministry of DoNER (In-Chair)
2. Shri Shantanu, Joint Secretary , Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
3. Shri Moneshwar Kalita, Superintending Engineer, NEC
4. Shri Shashikant Mehta, Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
5. Shri Sandeep Verma, Deputy Secretary, IFD, MDoNER
6. Shri Mahipal Yadav, US, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER
7. Shri Sunil Kumar Jain, Executive Engineer, Ministry of DoNER
8. Shri Abhinav Saroha, ASO, MDoNER
9. NEC Secretariat

From Other Ministries/ Departments /State Govt. of NER

1. Shri Khilli Ram Meena, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram
2. Shri Ravindra Telang, Chief Secretary, Govt. Sikkim
3. Shri Debajit Bhuyan, Special Secretary, PWD (Roads), Govt. of Assam
4. Shri Mohd Zubair Ali Hashmi, Director, NITI Aayog
5. Shri L.Behera, Suptt. Engineer, MoRTH
6. Ms. Shalini Das, Joint Director, Ministry of Rural Development
7. Shri Rajesh Kumar Singh, Under Secretary (NE), Ministry of Home Affairs
8. Shri Jibanjyoti Sarma, Executive Engineer, PWD (Roads), Govt. of Assam
9. Shri Ranjit Dutta, Assistant Engineer, PWD (Roads), Govt. of Assam
10. Ms. Hudaibia, Consultant, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)
11. Planning Dep'tt., Govt. of Mizoram
12. PWD, Govt. of Manipur