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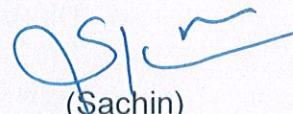
Jodhpur Officers' Hostel,
Pandara Park, India Gate,
New Delhi-110003,
Dated: 2nd December, 2025.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Minutes of Meeting of 22nd Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of PM-DevINE held on 18th November, 2025 (Tuesday) at 10:30 am in Conference Room, Block-10, Jodhpur Officer's Hostel, Pandara Park, New Delhi-110003.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to forward herewith Minutes of the 22nd meeting of EIMC of PM-DevINE Scheme held on 18th November, 2025 (Tuesday) at 10:30 pm under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) at Jodhpur Officer's Hostel, Pandara Park, New Delhi-110003, for kind information and necessary action please.

2. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.


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To

1. Chief Executive Officer, NITI Aayog, NITI Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001.
2. Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, North Block, New Delhi-110001
3. Foreign Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi- 110011.
4. Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industries and Internal Trade (DPIIT), New Delhi
5. Secretaries of central Ministries/ Departments (as per list attached).
6. Chief Secretaries of North Eastern States.
7. Additional Secretary & Financial Adviser, Ministry of DoNER, New Delhi-110011.
8. Secretary, North Eastern Council (NEC), Shillong, Meghalaya.
9. Additional Secretary (Infrastructure Wing), Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi-110011.
10. Joint Secretary (PLW), Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi-110011.
11. Planning Secretaries of North Eastern States.

12. Resident Commissioners of North Eastern States in New Delhi.
13. Financial Advisor, NEC, Shillong.
14. Advisor (Planning), NEC, Shillong
15. CMD, NEDFi, Guwahati
16. Managing Director, NEHHDC
17. Director General, NECTAR
18. Managing Director, AMTRON, Guwahati.
19. Director, Dr D. Borooah Cancer Institute, Guwahati.
20. Managing Director, NERAMAC.
21. Managing Director, NECBDC.
22. Director General & CEO, IICA.

Copy for information to:

1. PS to Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi-110011.
2. PS to Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi-110011.
3. Sr. PPS to Secretary, Ministry of DoNER, Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, New Delhi-110011.
4. Dir (VKG)/DS, IFD/ DS(SDM) Ministry of DoNER, New Delhi.
5. Sr. Technical Director (NIC), Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, New Delhi-110011.
6. EE, Infrastructure Wing, MDoNER.

Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

Minutes of the 22nd Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) Meeting of PM-DevINE scheme held on 18.11.2025 at Conference Hall of Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, Pandara Park, India Gate Circle, New Delhi.

The Twenty-Second meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of the PM-DevINE scheme was held on 18th November, 2025 at Conference Hall of Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, Pandara Park, India Gate Circle, New Delhi in hybrid mode. The meeting was chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER). The list of participants is at **Annexure**.

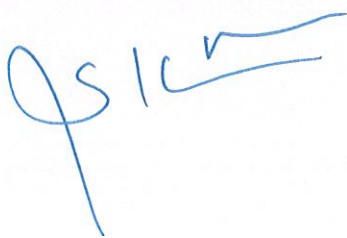
2. Welcoming the participants and with the permission of the chair, Joint Secretary (MDoNER) proceeded with a presentation covering the meeting agenda, including the scrutiny of new project proposals and the review of ongoing projects. A summary of the agenda-wise discussions and decisions taken by the EIMC are as follows:

Agenda I: Confirmation of the minutes of the last EIMC meeting:

Minutes of 21st EIMC meeting held on 28.10.2025 were circulated on 31.10.2025. Since no comments were received from the State Governments/ Central Ministries, etc., the Minutes of 21st EIMC meeting were confirmed.

Agenda-II Action Taken Report on the decisions of the last EIMC meeting:

- DPRs of 7 project proposals (worth Rs.1010.47 cr) including 6 DPRs (worth Rs.843.60 cr.) for single stage appraisal and approval and Concept Note of 1 project proposal were placed before the EIMC in its 21st meeting held on 28.10.2025.
- Out of these, 3 sports sector proposals of Arunachal Pradesh were deferred, advising the State Govt. to revise their priority to include a new solar power proposal for electrification of border villages. 2 project proposals proposed by NERAMAC and NECBDC respectively were deferred for want of documents/comments from NITI Aayog/ concerned line Ministries.
- DPRs alongwith Concept Note of the project proposal "Development of Sohra Tourism Circuit (Rs.233.75 crore)", was recommended by EIMC for approval. Administrative and Financial Approval amounting to Rs.233.75 cr. issued on 31.10.2025.
- On DPR of one proposal named "Construction of Manipur International Convention Centre, Imphal Phase-I (Rs.166.87 Cr.)" competent authority had made certain observations, which are to be complied by the State Govt.



- On concept note of the project proposal "Works proposed by SAI centres in North East for PM-DevINE scheme (Rs.75.00 cr.)" proposed by the D/o Sports/SAI, the Competent Authority made certain observations which are to be clarified by D/o Sports/SAI.


Agenda III– DPR alongwith Concept Note for single stage appraisal/approval:

Sl.	State Central Agency	Title of the proposed project	Deliberations	Decision
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	Off Grid Electrification of Border villages and left out villages under RDSS (Rs.69.52 crore)	The Concept Note alongwith DPR was shared with NITI Aayog, M/o Power and MNRE on 17.11.2025. Since the proposal was shared with the NITI Aayog and Line Ministries only a day before the meeting, it was decided that the Departments/Ministries may be given sufficient time to give their comments. NITI Aayog, M/o Power and MNRE were requested to submit their comments within four weeks.	To be placed in next EIMC meeting.
2.	NECBDC	Engineered Bamboo Products Promotion through Cluster Strengthening and Export Facilitation in NER (Rs. 70.98 Cr.)	The project proposes establishing engineered bamboo clusters in Assam and Nagaland with modern processing facilities, skilling 1,000 artisans, and developing 1,000 hectares of certified bamboo plantations to strengthen the value chain. It aims to promote high-value engineered bamboo products, ensure certification and market readiness, and facilitate domestic and export linkages.	Recommended for approval

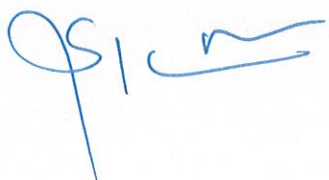
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		<p>The Concept Note along with DPR was shared with NITI Aayog and M/o A&FW on 21.08.2025.</p> <p>D/o A&FW supported the proposal in-principle on 15.10.2025.</p> <p>NITI Aayog on 31.10.2025 in-principle supported the proposal with the suggestion that M/o DoNER should ensure the PM-DevINE guidelines are complied with and standard cost as per applicable norms are followed.</p> <p>It was informed that the NECBDC on 10.11.2025 has responded to these observations in writing.</p> <p>It was further informed that the initial proposal had been thoroughly revised under the guidance of the Hon'ble Minister and based on the comments of NITI Aayog.</p> <p>During the meeting, representative of EIMC members viz. MEA, MHA and DPIIT were requested to give their comments. All the three member supported the proposal.</p> <p>It was clarified that the observations raised by NITI Aayog—pertaining to alignment with the PM-DevINE guidelines and adherence to standard cost norms have been responded to; and it was stated that the proposal was within the</p>	
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3	NERAMAC	Agarwood cluster development project in Assam and Tripura (Rs. 64.55 cr)	<p>The Agarwood Cluster Development Project aims to develop two model processing clusters in Tripura and Assam to strengthen the entire agarwood value chain through infrastructure creation, skill development, branding, and export facilitation. The project will directly benefit 14,100 people, enhance grower's income, and promote sustainable, legally compliant agarwood trade aligned with PM-DevINE objectives.</p> <p>DPR along with concept note was shared (through PVS) with NITI Aayog, M/o Ayush, M/o Environment & Forest, DPIIT and D/o Agriculture & Farmers Welfare on 28.09.2025.</p> <p>In the EIMC meeting held on 29.09.2025, NERAMAC was</p>	Recommended for approval

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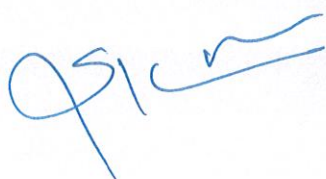
		<p>advised to upload the following documents:</p> <p>(i) Land availability certificates;</p> <p>(ii) Forest Clearance Certificate;</p> <p>(iii) Annexure C;</p> <p>(iv) SOR certificate</p> <p>NERAMAC on 17.10.2025 furnished the SOR certificate.</p> <p>NERAMAC had informed that for land, SGs of Assam and Tripura are on board; and the pieces of land likely to be provided by the SGs may not be related to forest. The requisite Certificates alongwith Annexure-C will be provided shortly.</p> <p>DPIIT conveyed their support to the proposal on 23.10.2025</p> <p>M/o Ayush conveyed their support to the proposal on 24.10.2025</p> <p>D/o Agriculture & Farmers Welfare conveyed their support to the proposal on 27.10.2025.</p> <p>Representative of M/o Environment & Forest supported the proposal during the EIMC Meeting held on 28.10.2025</p> <p>NITI Aayog on 31.10.2025 in-principle supported the proposal to the extent it</p>	
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		<p>complies with the PM-DevINE guidelines.</p> <p>NITI Aayog indicated that some components of proposal do not appear to be admissible under PM-DevINE Guidelines. NITI Aayog advised to address their observations.</p> <p>It was informed that a detailed response to the observations of NITI Aayog had already been communicated to NITI Aayog.</p> <p>It was further informed that an Inter-Ministerial Task Force to harness the export potential, foreign exchange earnings, and farmer income enhancement associated with agarwood was constituted earlier. The Task Force had recommended 15 interventions, which were subsequently approved as the official roadmap. Several of these interventions have already been implemented. As part of this roadmap, the concept of establishing agarwood clusters at two locations—Tripura and Assam—was identified as a proof-of-concept initiative. After extensive consultations with the Governments of Assam and Tripura, Kadamtala and Golaghat were recommended as suitable sites.</p> <p>It was explained that the proposed cluster development includes both hard and soft components,</p>	
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		<p>along with thematic interventions, such as backward and forward linkages essential for a functional cluster ecosystem. The State Governments have agreed to provide the required land, and discussions were held with the Chief Secretaries of both States. Land allocation processes are underway and are being expedited. The infrastructure is proposed to be developed through the central PSU NERAMAC, which will subsequently select a private partner through a transparent tendering process to operate the clusters sustainably. It was highlighted that experienced private sector players are being engaged to ensure efficient and long-term operation of the clusters.</p> <p>During the meeting, representative of EIMC members viz. MEA, MHA and DPIIT were requested to give their comments. All the three members supported the proposal.</p> <p>All suggestions received from NITI Aayog and line departments have been incorporated into the final proposal.</p> <p>It was observed that agarwood development has been a longstanding focus area of the Ministry owing to its high economic potential and its significant value addition prospects for the</p>	
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		<p>North Eastern Region. It was emphasized for close coordination with the Governments of Tripura and Assam and requested that the project be implemented expeditiously if approved.</p> <p>With all Ministries and Departments expressing support and noting that all observations had been fully addressed, the Committee recommended the proposal for approval.</p>	
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Agenda IV – DPRs of In-principle recommended projects for appraisal/approval:

Sl.	State / Central Agency	Title of the proposed project	Deliberations	Decision
1	Manipur	<p>Construction of Manipur International Convention Centre, Imphal Phase-I</p> <p>(Rs. 166.87 Cr.)</p>	<p>The proposal was recommended In-principle in the 15th EIMC meeting held on 12.03.2025.</p> <p>DPR of the project was shared (through PVS) with NITI Aayog, M/o Culture, M/o Tourism and M/o Housing and Urban Affairs on 18.08.2025.</p> <p>M/o Housing and Urban Affairs supported the proposal on 25.09.2025 stating that proposal don't fall within the mandate of any of the ongoing Missions/Schemes of the Ministry.</p> <p>M/o Tourism supported the proposal on 24.09.2025.</p> <p>M/o Culture supported the proposal during the meeting. M/o Culture was requested to</p>	Recommended for approval

		<p>submit their support in writing within 1 week.</p> <p>NITI Aayog had certain observations which were addressed by State Govt. during the last EIMC meeting held on 28.10.2025.</p> <p>However, the Competent Authority made certain observations, as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Include plan for service delivery, training, and program activities to achieve outcomes beyond infrastructure creation. ii. Comprehensive revenue, cash-flow, and O&M cost recovery model for financial sustainability needs to be elaborated. <p>State Govt. on 15.11.2025 & 18.11.2025 has submitted justifications/ clarifications to the observations of Competent Authority.</p> <p>During the meeting, the State Govt. presented the proposed services to be offered at the Convention Centre and stated that the State intends to appoint a dedicated O&M agency to manage and operate the facility.</p> <p>It was informed that revenue projections over a 10-year period indicate an average annual revenue of approximately ₹2.5 crore.</p> <p>Regarding cost recovery, the State Government reported an expected recovery of around ₹25 crore at the end of 10 years,</p>	
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		<p>against a capital expenditure of ₹167 crore. It was acknowledged that the project does not achieve full cost recovery; however, the State emphasized that this project falls in the category of social and economic infrastructure, where evaluation cannot solely be based on commercial cost-benefit criteria.</p> <p>The State Government clarified that the current revenue projections were based on demand patterns observed at the existing convention facility, which has historically been inadequate to meet the needs of the State, especially during periods of normalcy. The State expressed confidence that as conditions stabilize, event volume will rise, resulting in improved revenues. The State further stated that indirect and intangible benefits—such as promotion of local industries, increased business activities, enhanced investment prospects, capacity building possibilities and improved event hosting capability—had not been quantified in the current submission but would be significant contributors to the broader economic impact of the project.</p> <p>It was stated that while full quantification of such indirect benefits may not be feasible, the State should mark out the potential economic spillover effects and projected benefits in a supplementary note. This would strengthen the</p>	
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			<p>justification for the proposed investment, especially given that the direct revenue model indicates limited cost recovery. The State Government accordingly submitted supplementary justification note on 18.11.2025 elaborating these indirect benefits and broader economic impacts.</p> <p>Based on the detailed explanation provided and noting that clarification on the two key observations of the Competent Authority i.e. availability of a service delivery plan and clarity on revenue and indirect economic benefits—have been submitted by State Govt , the Committee agreed to recommend the proposal. Funding for the project under PM-DevINE shall be limited to Rs.110.52 crore and the balance cost of the project to be borne by State Govt.</p>	
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Agenda V– Work Orders of sanctioned projects awaited:

Sl.	State Central Agency	Title of the project	Deliberations	Decision
1	IICA	<p>Establishment of a regional campus of Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) at Shillong.</p> <p>Project Cost: Rs.100.95 crore. AFS date: 05.03.2025</p>	<p>IICA stated that they have issued work order amount to Rs.14.98 crore and the remaining work order for building works would be issued by 21st Nov, 2025.</p>	<p>IICA to award the remaining work and start the work.</p>

2.	Meghalaya	Construction of 2 x 50 MVA, 132/33kV Substation at Mawkhan, East Khasi District, Meghalaya, along with the construction of 132kV D/C Saiseij-Mawkhan Line and GIS Bay at Saiseij Meghalaya Project Cost: Rs.72.48 crore. AFS date 25.08.2025	State Govt. stated that work order would be issued by 4 th Dec., 2025	State to award and start the work.
3.	Nagaland	Construction of Kohima Multi-disciplinary Sports Centre at IG Stadium Complex, Kohima District-under PM-DevINE Project cost: 72.59 crore AFS date 27.10.2025	State Govt. stated that work order would be issued by 4 th Dec., 2025	State to award and start the work.
4.	Meghalaya	Development of Sohra Tourism Circuit	State Govt. informed that tender would be floated by 25.11.2025 and work would be awarded by 23 rd Dec, 2025.	State to award and start the work.

3. In respect of the following projects of Arunachal Pradesh, recommended by the EIMC, the Competent Authority has desired that presentation on these proposals w.r.t. end-to-end value chain be made to him:

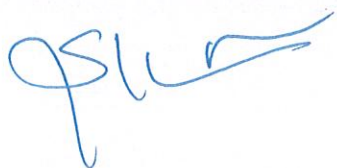
- i. Setting up of Permanent site of State Sports Academy at Miao, TCL Region Phase-I, Changlang (Rs.130.00 crore).
- ii. Construction of Football Stadium at Itanagar Capital Region (ICR) in Papum Pare District (Rs.181.26 crore).
- iii. Construction of Integrated Sports Complex at Dirang (Rs.88.00).

The State Government of Arunachal Pradesh may take further necessary action accordingly.

4. NITI Aayog and line Ministries were again requested to furnish their comments within the stipulated time, i.e., two weeks from the receipt of the Concept Notes and within 30 days from the receipt of the DPRs through the Poorvottar Vikas Setu Portal, as per the new guidelines issued by MDoNER. State Governments were also requested to reply timely to the observations made by the line Ministries or NITI Aayog. The State Governments were further advised to expedite physical progress of the ongoing projects

and utilize the funds allocated under the scheme during the Current Financial Year 2025-26, by incurring expenditure from the funds available with CNA and also raising more fund demands through PVS Portal. State Govts. were requested to place their demand for release of next instalment with updated physical and financial progress.

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



Annexure

List of the participants to the 22nd meeting of the Empowered Inter-Ministerial Committee (EIMC) of Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North Eastern Region (PM-DevINE) scheme held on 18.11.2025 at Jodhpur Officers' Hostel, New Delhi.

S. No.	Ministry/Department/State/Agency	Name	Designation
1.	Ministry of DoNER	Shri Chanchal Kumar	Secretary - In Chair
2.	MDoNER	Shri Angshuman Dey	Joint Secretary
		Shri S.D. Meena	Director
		Shri Sandeep Verma	Deputy Secretary
		Shri Sunil Kumar Jain	Executive Engineer
		Shri Sachin	Section Officer
		Mohd. Mohsin	Consultant
3.	M/o Corporate Affairs	Shri D. Kalita	OSD, IICA Shillong
4.	Ministry of Power	Shri Pardeep Kumar	Under Secretary

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LIST OF PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED MEETING THROUGH VC			
S.No.	Ministry/Department/ State	Name	Designation
1	Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh	Shri Manish Kumar Gupta	Chief Secretary
		Shri R.K Sharma	Secretary Planning
		Shri Ankur Garg	Commissioner Planning
		Shri Kaling Tayeng	Principal Secretary
2	Govt. of Assam	Smt. Reena Mech	Secretary, T&D
		Shri Arjun Mandal	SE, PWBD
		Shri Ranjit Dutta	AEE, PWRD
3	Govt. of Manipur	Shri Puneet Kumar Goel	Chief Secretary
		Shri R.K. Dinesh	Pr. Secy. (Works)
		Smt. N. Kulkarni Devi	Director (Planning)
		Dr. R.K. Radhesana Devi	Jt. Director (Planning)
4	Govt. of Meghalaya	Smt. B. L Pakyntein	Director, Tourism.
		Shri. B. Lyngdoh	Asstt. EE Tourism.
		Smt. H Passah	Asst. Engineer, Tourism
		Shri. K Dkhar	Deputy Secretary Planning Department
		Shri K. Lyngwa	Superintending Engineer, MePTCL
6	Govt. of Nagaland	Shri Anthony Ngully	Commissioner & Secy.
		Smt Temsunaro Aier	Dev. Commissioner
		Shri Imlikokba Longkumer	Asstt. Development Commissioner
7	Govt. of Sikkim	Shri Jigme S. Basi	Additional Secretary
8	Govt. of Tripura	Shri L.T. Darlong	Secretary, Planning
		Shri Udayan Sinha	Addl. Secretary, Plg.
		Shri Bhaskar Mukharjee	Deputy Director, Planning dep.
9	NITI Aayog	Mohd Zubair Ali Hashmi	Director
10	Sports Authority of India	Shri Vishnu Kant Tiwari,	Secretary, SAI
		Shri Nidhin Jose	Deputy Director

11	M/o Culture	Shri Karan Singh Tanwar	Deputy Director
		Shri Mohit Rawat	Section Officer
12	Ministry of Tourism	Shri Sudhansu Sekhar Mishra	US
13	DPIIT	Shri Arun Kumar Vishwakarma	Under Secretary
14	MoHUA	Shri Raghvendra Pal Singh	Director
15	M/o A&FW	Dr. Naveen Patle	Addl. Commissioner
		Dr. B.J. Brahma	DC (Hort.)
16	D/o Higher Education	Shri M.L. Soni	Director
17	MHA	Shri Rajesh Kumar	Under Secretary (NE)
18	M/o EFCC	Shri Sunil Kumar Sharma	Joint Director
19	M/o Sports	Shri O.P. Chanchal	Under Secretary
20	M/o Textiles	Shri Siby Michael	Assistant Director
21	M/o External Affairs	Shri Hermon	Under Secretary
22	M/o AYUSH	Shri A. Qayum	Deputy CEO, NMPB
		Shri Saurabh Sharma	Manager Marketing
		Dr. Chinmoy Rath	Research Officer
23	M/o New & Renewable Energy	Shri Hiren Chandra Borah	Director
24	Ministry of Power	Shri Om kant Shukla	Director (Trans.)
25	NECTAR	Dr. Arun Kumar Sarma	Director General
26	NEC	Shri Satinder Singh Bhalla	Secretary, NEC
		Shri Som Kamei	Planning Adviser
27	NERAMAC	Shri Bhaskar Barua	MD
		Shri Anjal Kumar Dutta	AGM
		Shri Shankar Nath	Deputy Manager
28	NECBDC	Shri M.C. Omi Ningshen	Managing Director
		Shri H. Priyokumar Singh	Manager

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