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Dated 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Monthly summary of principal activities undertaken and important decisions taken during the month of September, 2020 in respect of Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to Cabinet Secretariat's D.O. letter No.1/26/2018-Cab. dated 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 from Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Additional Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat on the subject mentioned above.

2. The monthly summary pertaining to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region for the month of September 2020 is hereby circulated for information.

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19/10/2020

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**Encl. As above.**

To

All Members of the Council of Ministers.

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- i. The Secretary to the Hon'ble President, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.
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- iii. PPS to The Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi.
- iv. The Secretaries to the Government of India.
- v. Ms. Rachna Shah, Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.

**Copy to:**

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- iv. PPS to Secretary, DoNER.

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**Monthly summary of principal activities of and important decisions taken in the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region during the month of September 2020.**

**1. Important policy decisions taken and major activities during the month**

1.1 On world Bamboo Day i.e 18<sup>th</sup> September , 2020, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), MDoNER addressed two separate Webinars organized by the Cane and Bamboo Technology Centre (CBTC) under the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) respectively, which was attended by Secretary, MDoNER, Secretary NEC, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare , Co-Chairman CII North East Council and MD and other senior Officials of MDoNER/NEC. Hon'ble Minister said that the North-Eastern Region will be one of the favourite business destinations of India post COVID-19 and Bamboo is going to be the key pillar of the economic activities. He said, it will also herald a new momentum for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's clarion call of Atmanirbhar Bharat by focussing on "Vocal for Local". He informed that three Bamboo Clusters will be developed in the Jammu region in the vicinity of Katra, Jammu and Samba towns for making of Bamboo basketary, Agarbatti and Bamboo Charcoal which will provide direct employment opportunities to about 25,000 people.

1.2 On 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Deputy Chief Minister of Nagaland, Mr.Y. Patton called on Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), MDoNER and discussed wide range of issues related to development projects and proposals submitted by the State Government of Nagaland. During the meeting Hon'ble Minister pointed out that as a special consideration and priority, the Centre has sanctioned for the State of Nagaland, second Government Medical College within a short span of three years.

1.3 On 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 Chief Minister of Meghalaya Conrad Sangma, along with Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong and a team of Senior Ministers called on Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), MDoNER and discussed the progress of various centrally funded projects in the State Government of Meghalaya. Hon'ble Minister said that the DoNER Ministry is coordinating closely with the Jal Shakti Ministry to achieve the targets of providing clean tap water to every household under "Jal Abhiyan". Hon'ble Minister also discussed with Hon'ble CM the issue of upgradation of Shillong Airport and said that the Modi government gives highest priority to the North Eastern Region and Meghalaya is also being given its due share of funds and sanction of new projects.



1.4 Destination North East 2020 was held virtually from 27th to 30th September 2020 under the theme "The Emerging Delightful Destination". The event was inaugurated by Shri Amit Shah, Hon'ble Union Home Minister & Chairman, NEC in presence of Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State(I/C), DoNER & Vice-Chairman, NEC. The event was filled with cultural mosaic, dances, tourist attractions, music and state icons, achievers and entrepreneurs from eight (8) states of NER. Hon'ble Chief Ministers of eight (8) states of NER also addressed during the programme on different time slots. The closing programme was graced by Shri Kiren Rijiju, Hon'ble Minister of State(I/C), Youth Affairs and Sports and Shri Rameshwar Teli, Hon'ble Minister of State(I/C), Food Processing Industries

1.5 To review the implementation status of Major Infrastructure projects in NER, Principal Adviser to Prime Minister took a meeting on 22.09.2020. with Secretary, MDoNER and Secretaries of the lines Ministries/Department, Chairman Railway Board and Chief Secretaries of NE states. New initiatives and PM's announcements in respect of North Eastern Region (NER) were also reviewed in the meeting. A detailed presentation was made by Secretary, DoNER.

1.6 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee was held on 03.09.2020 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDoNER to discuss project proposals received from State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim and Tripura for consideration for selection against their balance normative allocation under North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS). Chief Secretaries of Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim and Tripura co-chaired the meeting.

1.7 Secretary and Economic Adviser, Ministry of DoNER attended the first meeting of Apex Group held on 15.09.2020 under the co-chairmanship of Secretary, M/o Civil Aviation and Secretary, D/o Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare.

1.8 Senior Officers' meeting under the Chairmanship of Secretary, MDONER was held on 09.09.2020 through Video Conference to review the status of progress of important activities of MDoNER. Secretary, NEC and Senior Officer of NEC also attended the Meeting.

1.9 Funds amounting to Rs.143.08 crore were released to the NE States under various Schemes implemented by MDoNER/NEC. This includes the following important projects :

- i. Post harvest management of horticulture crops (cold rooms, pack houses, marketing infrastructure) in Dimapur, Mokochung, Peren, Tuensang, Phek and Wokha, Nagaland
- ii. IT Education Programme for 150 Schools in Mizoram, Mizoram State e-Governance Society (MSeGS), Aizawl
- iii. ISBT Mawlai-Mawiong

- iv. Cultivation of Cashewnut at Peren district, Nagaland
- v. Transforming unorganized care giving service industry into formal service sector industry", IIE Guwahati
- vi. Mukroh Umspar linking Jrikyndeng Road
- vii. Road projects: Mizoram (Tranche 2) - Serchhip to Buarpui; Manipur (Tranche 2) – Tupul to Bishnupur and Thoubal to Kasom Khullen; and Tripura (Tranche 2) – Udaipur to Melaghar.

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