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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly summary of principal activities undertaken and important decisions taken during the month of March, 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 30th 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 March, 2020 is hereby circulated for information.

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Encl. As above.

To

All Members of the Council of Ministers.

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- iii. PPS to The Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, NITI Bhawan, New Delhi.
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- v. Ms. Rachna Shah, Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Rashtrapati Bhawan, New Delhi.

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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 March, 2020.

1.0 Principal activities and the important decisions

1.1 Major activities/Key decisions pertaining to COVID-19

Hon'ble MoS (I/C), MDoNER held regular meetings with officers of MDoNER and its Organizations through Video Conferencing to discuss measures being taken for the safety of people of North Eastern States in view of COVID-19 outbreak/possible difficulties being faced by NE States regarding supply of essential commodities in view of nation-wide lock-down. The following decisions were conveyed: -

- i) Designated cargo flights for carrying essential commodities to North East.
- ii) North Eastern Region's International border (Approx. 5500 km) has been effectively closed to enforce lockdown.
- iii) Ministry/NEC allocated additional funds of Rs.25 Cr to North Eastern States for gap funding to fight the COVID-19 outbreak effectively. This fund would be used for activities not covered under the central package.
- iii) Ministry has also sought projects for strengthening of Health infrastructure in NE States under its flagship NESIDS programme.
- iv) All officers and Staff of Ministry and its organisations & PSUs viz. NEC, NEHHDC, NERAMAC, NEDFI, CBTC and NERCOMP would contribute one day's salary to PM CARES fund. NEDFI would further contribute its entire CSR fund of Rs Two Crores to PM-CARES fund.
- v) MDoNER has appointed State-wise Chief Nodal Officers/Nodal Officers for each North Eastern State and they are in regular touch with the State authorities for matters pertaining to COVID-19. A daily status report is being prepared and shared with all concerned for appropriate follow up.

1.2 Before the COVID19 outbreak, Hon'ble MoS (I/C), MDoNER inaugurated "the Meghalayan Age Festival for the National Conclave on Tourism" at Thadlaskein, Shillong on 14.03.2020.

1.3 20th Meeting of IMC/NESIDS Committee held on 20th March, 2020. The committee sanctioned projects: (i) Nine(09) Projects related to Construction of Classrooms, etc. for strengthening/upgrading existing old schools in Assam, (ii) Construction of Twenty Three(23) Anganwadi Center Building in Meghalaya, (iii) Construction of Ninety Two (92) number of separate Girls Toilet in Government

School in Nagaland , and (iv) Construction of fifty one(51) Anganwadi Center Building in Tripura.

1.4 The Non lapsable Central Pool Resources (NLCPR) accrual calculation for the year of 2017-18,was sent to Budget Division, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance with the approval of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER on 18.3.2020 for vetting and finalization.

1.5 The Ministry has been able to spend a record 99.99% (Rs 2669.71 Cr) of its RE allocation of Rs 2670 Cr for the financial year 2019-2020. This has been achieved despite the lockdown measures.
