

**NEC-11/14/2022-UNDER SECRETARY(A)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region**  
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Dated: 05.08.24

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Revised Guidelines for Administration of the "North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (Roads) - NESIDS (Roads)" circulated vide O.M. No. NEC/11/14/2022-Under Secretary (A) dated 21.08.23 - Partial Modification - reg.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the guidelines of the "North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (Roads) - NESIDS (Roads)" Scheme circulated vide this Ministry's O.M. No. NEC/11/14/2022-Under Secretary (A) dated 21.08.23, which, inter alia, provides for a two stage process for sanctioning of a project viz. 1<sup>st</sup> stage approval at the concept note stage, and 2<sup>nd</sup> stage approval at the DPR stage with the recommendation of the SLEC in both the stages.

2. However, some of the NE States have observed that due to the aforesaid two-stage sanction process involved in NESIDS(Roads), a lot of delay is caused each time to obtain the recommendation of the EIMC for final sanction of the project, and they have proposed to allow them to submit the DPR directly for the projects prioritized by the State Government under the Scheme with the recommendation of the SLEC for consideration of the EIMC without resorting to the 1<sup>st</sup> stage approval of concept note as envisaged in the guidelines.

3. The aforesaid demand of the NE States has been duly considered in the Ministry and it has been decided to incorporate an additional Paragraph 10A in the existing guidelines as under:

"10A - If the State Government chooses to propose approval of a Project at one go without going through the process of selection as required under para 8 of these Guidelines, they can get the DPR prepared at their own expense and submit the same along with an Executive Summary containing the points covered by a Concept Note. In such cases, the EIMC shall treat the DPR accompanied by the Executive Summary as a Concept Note as well, and the decision of selection can be done away with and the proposal will be scrutinized as if it is recommended by the EIMC as required under para 8 of these Guidelines; and AFS shall be issued if approved by the competent authority. In case the DPR is recommended by the EIMC under para 10 of these Guidelines, the cost of DPR preparation shall be reimbursed as a part of the Project cost.

In case the DPR is not approved by the competent authority, the cost of DPR preparation shall not be reimbursed by the Ministry."

4. However, para-3 above will be subject to following conditions:

(i) that there is a clear executive summary enclosed with the project proposal along with priority list with due approval of Chief secretary and the DPR is duly vetted by NEC;

(ii) that all requisite documents, checklists and clearances as envisaged in the NESIDS (Roads) guidelines for concept note stage approval viz. Annexure-B and DPR stage approval viz. Annexure-C are accompanied with the DPR.

5. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister, MDoNER.

  
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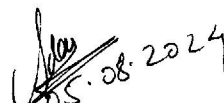
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5. Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.
6. Secretary, North Eastern Council (NEC).
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