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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Monthly summary of principal activities undertaken and important decisions taken during the month of November, 2019 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 November, 2019 is hereby circulated for information.

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**Encl. As above.**

To

All Members of the Council of Ministers.

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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 November , 2019.**

**1.0 Principal activities and the important decisions:**

1.1 Cabinet Committee of Economic Affairs in its meeting held on 27.11.2019 has approved the proposal of the Ministry for the waiver of re-payment of loan amount Rs.54 lakh and interest thereon, amounting to Rs.370.40 lakh (upto 31.03.2019), totalling Rs.424.40 lakh plus the amount of interest that will accrue on total amount from 01.04.2019 till the approval of the proposal by CCEA i.e. till 27.11.2019, outstanding against the Sikkim Mining Corporation subject to the condition of return of an amount of Rs.11.21 lakh accrued from the sale proceeds of Sikkim Mining Corporation machinery(SMC) plus interest thereon.

1.2 Destination North East, the extravaganza showcase event promoting and popularizing the North Eastern Region, culture, heritage and business opportunities was organised at Varanasi between 23-26 November 2019. The four-day mega event in the ancient Indian city brought rich, unexplored potential and opportunities available in the Northeast. It provided a mixed flavour of Uttar Pradesh and Northeast states' cuisine and culture. There was representation from all the North eastern States and their handicrafts, handloom, organic products and cultural troupes and also from central government agencies like NERCORMP, CBTC, NERAMAC, NEHHDC, Lalit Kala Academy etc.

The event was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister of State (IC), Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region Dr. Jitendra Singh in the presence of senior officers of MDoNER and NEC. Further, other dignitaries and celebrities were also present during the inauguration. During the festival, visitors had live experiences of the artisans and artistes from the NE states working on their looms and crafts, performing their songs and dances on the open stage during the day. Indigenous games were also performed where visitors also participated.

1.3 A total of Rs 3837.55 lakh was released by MDoNER under Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) scheme for various projects viz (i) Construction of road from Rani to Oiranghat(Assam) via Sika Toda Sika Bamin village-Jampani and Anchalthat camp road (25 km) in east Siang district of Arunachal Pradesh(ii) Construction of PSC girder RCC bridge over Poglek river(120.00 mtr) and Tolon river (160.00 mtr) on Pasighat-Ledum-Tene –Koyu road in Arunachal Pradesh (iii) Providing water supply at Bameng administrative HQ (Phase-I) in east Kameng district in

Arunachal Pradesh (iv) New Zoar Flow Irrigation Scheme (v) Augmentation of water supply scheme at Chingai, block Headquarter(.17MLD) at Ukhrul in Manipur (vi) Football Stadium at Ampati in Meghalaya (vii) Construction of teachers training complex at Lunglei in Mizoram (viii) Construction of mini sport complex at Khawbung, Mizoram (ix) Construction of multi shopping complex at Saitual, Mizoram.

1.4 A total of Rs. 2509.08 Lakh was released by MDoNER under North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) for two projects viz (i) Construction of six overhead tank & ground sump & necessary pipelines in the Thongju and its adjoining areas in Imphal east district for promoting tourism in Manipur (ii) Augmentation of Moreh water supply scheme for promoting tourism in Manipur.

1.5 A total of Rs 6383.29 Lakh was released by NEC for various projects under various sectors that include (i) **Agri & Allied Sector**: Rs 605.97 Lakh for 7 projects (ii) **Industrial Sector**: Rs 160.59 Lakh for 2 events (iii) **Tourism Sector**: Rs 928.09 Lakh for 16 new non-projects and Rs. 271.51 Lakh for 2 ongoing projects (iv) **T&C Sector** : Rs 34.07 crore was released to Railway for Agartala-Akhura Rail link project on 28.11.2019 (v) **HRD&E Sector**: Rs 289.78 Lakh was released for 2 ongoing projects. and further Rs 157.50 Lakh was released to Arunachal Pradesh, Rs 263.91 Lakh to Manipur, Rs. 8.68 Lakh to Mizoram and Rs. 290.26 Lakh to Tripura as financial support to the students of North Eastern Region for Higher Professional Courses.

#### 1.6 Meetings /Visits

(i) Secretary, MDoNER along with officers of the Ministry visited Agartala-Akhaura rail link project 04.11.2019. This is a project of national importance being jointly funded by the Ministry (Indian portion-5.46 kms) and MEA (Bangladesh portion -6.778 kms). This field visit was followed by a detailed review meeting regarding the same in the Secretariat also on 04.11.2019; and visit to Agartala Station( where the alignment of the projects begins) on 05.11.2019. In the review meeting/field visits Sr. Officials from MDONER, NEC, IRCON, MEA, Indian High Commission at Bangladesh, NITI Aayog and officials from Government of Tripura were present.

(ii) Secretary MDoNER also chaired a review meeting at Agartala with Chief Secretary and other Senior Officers of the State Government on 04.11.2019 for a comprehensive review of implementation of various schemes/projects implemented by MDoNER and NEC in Tripura.

(iii) Secretary MDoNER attended a meeting chaired by External Affairs Minister on 14.11.2019 on review of various projects in NER, including Agartala -Akhaura project.

(iii) DG Assam Rifles called on Secretary, MDONER on 28.11.2019 and had a general discussion on security related matters of the NER.

(iv) Secretary, MDoNER took a Review Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 regarding the Revival of NERAMAC and NEHHDC in which the Corporations were requested to focus on adopting a viable and sustainable business plan by focussing on cost cutting measures including closing down loss making units.

(vi) The SFC/DIB/IMC meeting was held on 15.11.2019 under the chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER to consider the proposal regarding Establishment of Virtual Smart Classroom through remote teaching in Aspirational Districts of NER.

(vii) Three meetings of IMCs on Medicinal Aromatic Plants, Livelihood in NER and Piggery Value Chain Development held on 05.11.2019 under the chairmanship of Additional Secretary, MDONER.

(viii) Economic Adviser attended a meeting of Group of Officers (GoO) on the 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 in Cabinet Secretariat to review implementation of the ongoing International Projects funded by India in SAARC and other neighbouring Countries ;and also attended Asian Development Bank (ADB) Workshop at Kolkata jointly conducted by Department of Economic Affairs and Asian Development Bank on 14.11.2019 and 15.11.2019 to discuss the North East Economic Corridor Feasibility Study, South Asian Economic Corporation Study etc with 8 NE States as well as concerned Union Ministries.

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