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Vigyan Bhawan Annexe, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi, Dated 24th March, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

24/3/2020

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Encl. As above.

To

All Members of the Council of Ministers.

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Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

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

1.0 Principal activities and the important decisions

1.1 Hon'ble MoS (I/C) DoNER met Shri Conrad K. Sangma, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Meghalaya on 19.2.2020 and discussed the pending projects in the State of Meghalaya to be executed by the Ministry and NEC and also discussed the possibilities of sanction of further projects in the State in the coming financial year under schemes of NESIDS, NERSDS and NEC.

Hon'ble Minister visited Itanagar on 20.2.2020 along with Hon'ble Home Minister for the Statehood Day Celebrations of Arunachal Pradesh. He dealt at length about various projects, which have been undertaken in the State of Arunachal Pradesh by the DoNER Ministry and other Ministries/Departments of the Central Government under 10% GBS.

Hon'ble Minister inaugurated the Sustainable Development Goal Conclave held at Guwahati on 24th February, 2020 organized by the NITI Aayog and NEC, during which discussions and deliberations upon various policies and programmes took place for achieving the sustainable development goals for the entire North Eastern Region.

Hon'ble Minister reviewed the ongoing schemes and plans for next financial year with officers of the Ministry, North Eastern Council and organizations under the administrative control of MDoNER on the 27th February, 2020.

1.2 Secretary, Ministry of DoNER along with officers of Ministry, NEC and other organizations of the MDoNER, attended the Department related Parliament Standing Committee (DrPSC) on Home Affairs for discussion on Demand for Grants (2020-21) of MDoNER on 19th February 2020.

Secretary, MDoNER attended SDG Conclave held from 24.02.2020 to 26.02.2020 in Guwahati and chaired a Session on "SDGs in the North Eastern Region: Pathways for Localisation and Achievement" on 25.2.2020. The conclave provided valuable inputs on a possible NER Road Map for implementing and achieving the SDG 2030.

Secretary, MDoNER chaired three meetings held on 05.02.2020, 06.02.2020 and 20.02.2020 to review implementation of infrastructure projects and other major projects costing Rs. 100 Cr and above by other Central Ministries/ Departments in NER. Some of the challenges and possible solutions relating to implementation of big infrastructure projects in NER such as land acquisition, environment clearances, delay in submission of Utilisation Certificates, litigation and court cases and proper monitoring of infra projects in NER were discussed in the meetings.

1.3 The expenditure of the Ministry during the current financial year has been very good. Till the end of the month, the Ministry has incurred an expenditure of Rs.2542.29 Cr (95.22%) against an RE of Rs.2670 Cr. It is expected that target of 100% expenditure vis-à-vis RE would be achieved this year. The details of scheme-wise expenditure during the month are given in the table below: -

S.No.	Name of the Scheme	Expenditure during the month (Rs. in Cr.)
1.	Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources - State	10.64
2.	Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources - Central	55.93
3.	North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme	110.33
4.	Special Development Package (BTC)	3.85
5.	Hill Area Development Programme	0.52
5.	North East Road Sector Development Scheme (EAP)	5.39
6.	Schemes of NEC	121.25

Some of the important projects for which funds have been released are

- i. Agartala-Akhaura Rail link project (under Act East Policy) Rs.55.93 Cr
- ii. Construction of 2 X 2.5 MVA, 33/11 KV S/s at P & E Complex with associated 33 KV line at Saiha Town, Mizoram (Rs 4.00 Cr)
- iii. Construction of Double Lane Road from Lanka to Umrangso via Diyungmukh, Haflong Tinali and Panimur (Rs. 56.36Cr)
- iv. Augmentation of Senapati Water Supply Scheme for promoting Tourism in Manipur (Rs.17.96 Cr)
- v. Development of Road Connectivity from Khabam Lamkhai to Hannaching Heingang via Marjing Polo Complex, Heingang Ching, Imphal East for promoting Tourism in Manipur (Rs13.36 Cr) and
- vi. Water Supply Distribution Network for Churachandpur for promoting Tourism in Manipur (Rs11.88 Cr)
- 1.4 MDoNER examined and furnished its comments on 13 EAP proposals of North Eastern Region, which included 3 each from Mizoram, Manipur, Assam and Tripura and one from Nagaland.
