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To  
All the Chief Secretaries,  
North Eastern Region.  
(As per list attached)

Subject: Guidelines for administration of "North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme" (NESIDS)-Reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the above mentioned subject and to forward herewith guidelines for administering newly formulated scheme of "North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme" (NESIDS) for information and further necessary action.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

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## GUIDELINES

### FOR

## ADMINISTRATION OF "NORTH EAST SPECIAL INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES (NESIDS)"

### 1. Background

- a. The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) has been sanctioning projects to eight States in North Eastern Region (DoNER) to fill up gaps in infrastructure through block grants of the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources(NLCPR) through 90% Central funding and 10% contributed by the States. The identified projects under the NLCPR schemes are executed by the State Government agencies.
- b. The new Central scheme of North East Special Infrastructure Development Schemes (NESIDS), fully funded by the Government of India, is taken up to fill up gaps of infrastructure in certain identified sectors of the Region. The NESIDS will accord focus on exploitation of the huge tourism potential of the area by way of strengthening related infrastructure and will also give emphasis on creation of infrastructure of social sectors like health and education.

### 2. Objectives of "North East Special Infrastructure Scheme(NESIDS)"

The broad objective of NESIDS is to ensure focused development of North East Region by providing financial assistance for projects of (a) physical infrastructure relating to water supply, power, connectivity and specially the projects promoting tourism and (b) social sector for creation of infrastructure in the areas of primary and secondary sectors of education and health. The NESIDS will be over and above the existing schemes of Government of India and State Governments of the NE Region. Only those projects would be considered for funding under the scheme which are not supported under any other scheme of Central or State Government.

### 3. Duration of NESIDS

The NSEIDS will be implemented in 3 years from 2017-18 to 2019-20 at a total outlay of Rs. 1,600 crore.

### 4. Funding Arrangement

- a. The funds under NESIDS will be allocated to States on the basis of Normative Allocation in the beginning of the Financial Year. However, funds will be provided for the ongoing projects under NLCPR so that they are completed by 2019-20.

- b. If any of the States are not in a position to absorb the funds, their allocations may be diverted to better performing States.

**5. Institutional and Administrative Arrangements**

**5.1 National Level**

An Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) headed by the Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, comprising representatives of relevant line Ministries as indicated below will be notified by the Ministry of DoNER:

- i. Secretary, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.
- ii. Chief Executive Officer of NITI Aayog or his/her representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary.
- iii. Expenditure Secretary or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary.
- iv. Home Secretary or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary.
- v. Foreign Secretary or his representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary.
- vi. Financial Adviser, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.
- vii. Joint Secretary in-Charge of NESIDS in the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

**5.2 Functions of the Inter Ministerial Committee**

IMC will meet as per the requirements, but will meet *at least once in three months*. The functions of IMC will be:

- (a) To ensure proper distribution of funds allocated under NESIDS amongst NE States keeping in mind the existing Inter-State and Intra State regional disparity, Human Development Indices (HDI), including per capita income, poverty level(BPL), density of infrastructure, population, area and terrain, etc. , besides performance of the States in implementing NESIDS projects.
- (b) To assess projects/schemes proposed by the NE States under NESIDS in terms of viability and tangible socio-economic impact.
- (c) To consider the recommendations of State Level Empowered Committee (SLEC).
- (d) To review the progress of implementation of the projects under NESIDS.