Government of India Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

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QUESTION

North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme

325. SHRIMATI ROOPA GANGULY:

Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has approved the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) for development of North-Eastern region;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds allocated for and implementation cycle of the scheme;
- (d) the details of development work that would be carried out under this scheme; and
- (e) the details of projects being planned at the moment and their estimated cost?

ANSWER

The Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region [Dr. Jitendra Singh]

(a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Government has approved the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) under which financial assistance is given to State Governments for projects of (a) physical infrastructure relating to water supply, power, connectivity to enhance tourism; and (b) social sector for creation of infrastructure in the areas of primary and secondary sectors of education and health. Only those projects, which are not supported under any other scheme of Central or State Government would be considered for funding under the scheme.

(c) to (e) It is a 100% Central Sector Scheme which will be implemented in 3 (three) financial years from 2017-18 to 2019-20 with a total outlay of Rs.1600 crore. The projects proposed by State Governments of North East are considered, in consultation with the respective line Ministries of the Government of India. A total of 46 projects worth Rs. 1433.71 crore have been identified under NESIDS.