

Government of India  
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1776**

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**QUESTION**  
**Status of Industrial Corridor for the North-Eastern Region**

1776 SHRI PABITRA MARGHERITA:

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

- (a) the current status of the Industrial Corridor for the North-Eastern Region as was proposed to be established from Dawki (on Indo-Bangladesh Border) Shillong via Guwahati to Nagoan and from Golaghat via Dimapur via Imphal to Moreh (on Indo-Myanmar Border); and
- (b) by when is the corridor expected to be completed?

**ANSWER**  
**The Minister of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region**  
**[Shri G. Kishan Reddy]**

(a) & (b) On the matter for setting up of industrial corridor in the North East Region being taken up, the proposal for connecting Dawki-Guwahati-Moreh was considered favourably in the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of Board of Trustees of National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust(NICDIT).

Consequently, a feasibility study on North East Economic Corridor was entrusted to Asian Development Bank(ADB) and its report has been submitted, the key findings of which are as below :

- i. The study delves deep into three key infrastructure aspects- transport, urban and power – as enablers for equitable economic development for the North East Region.
- ii. A multi-modal transport network is envisaged at three levels (1) within NER; (2) between NER and rest of India with additional way of connectivity through Bangladesh; and (3) with the neighboring countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan and Myanmar) to enhance South Asia-Southeast Asia connectivity.
- iii. All identified routes are in line with international and regional transport corridors such as the Asian Highway Network, South Asia Sub-regional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) corridors, the Trans-Asia Rail Network, and the India–Bangladesh Inland Waterways Protocol routes.
- iv. It has also paid attention to the economic upliftment and equitable development of the individual NER states and the region. The study has identified 24 growth centres and 20 border centres that will drive the development of the states based on their potential.

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