

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
NORTH EASTERN COUNCIL SECRETARIAT  
NONGRIM HILLS, SHILLONG-793003**

**No.NEC/(T&C)/APPROVAL/NERSDS/MG-VII/2020/02**

**Dated 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2022.**

To,

The Pay & Accounts Officer  
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North Eastern Council  
Nongrim Hills  
Shillong – 793003.

*Sanjiv  
15/03/2022*

**Sub: - Administrative Approval for "Up gradation/Improvement of Borkhat-Sonapur in Meghalaya (Length 39.594 Km)" under the 100% Central Sector Scheme "North East Road Sector Development Scheme (NERSDS)".**

Sir,

Secretary, NEC in exercise of the financial powers authorized vide Govt. of India, MDoNER vide their letter F.N. 4/1/2010-DONER (NEC) dated 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2012 and in pursuant of AFS issued by Ministry of DoNER vide letter No. NEC-11/41/2021-O/o US(NEC) Dated the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022, has accorded Administrative Approval to PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya at an estimated cost of Rs. 126.88 crore (Rupees One hundred twenty six crore and eighty eight lakhs only) as per the board break up of items of work given in **Appendix-I** towards the road project "Up gradation/Improvement of Borkhat-Sonapur in Meghalaya (Length 39.594 Km)" under the 100% Central Sector Scheme "North East Road Sector Development Scheme" (NERSDS).

2. The sanction is accorded subject to the following terms and conditions.

- i. The fund will be released in 2 (two) instalments of 40% and 60% of the approved cost. Funds will be released to the PWD Govt. of Meghalaya through PFMS. Govt. of Meghalaya should register itself on PFMS and roll out EAT module and make all it's onward released to contractors, vendors etc through relevant EAT module of PFMS. The 2<sup>nd</sup> instalment will be released once the PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya submits the UC for 75% of the 1<sup>st</sup> instalment released along with commensurate physical progress duly signed by the head of the designated signatory of PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya and countersigned by competent/authorised officer of Govt. of Meghalaya along with the requisite certificates, photographs, etc showing progress at various stages of implementation.
- ii. Funds will be utilized within specified time and strictly for purpose for which it was sanctioned. No diversion of funds is allowed. PWD Govt. of Meghalaya will properly utilize funds and submit utilization certificate in prescribed proforma (GFR 12-C) to NEC within twelve months after closure of the financial year in which funds are released. The utilization certificate should also disclose whether the specified, quantified, and qualitative targets/outputs/outcomes that should have been reached against the amount utilized were in fact reached, and if not, the reasons therefore. Proposals for next releases for the project in question shall be accompanied with details of unspent balances, pending UCs, interest earned with/by implementing agency. Status of PFMS/EAT module implementation etc. in accordance with the instructions issued by Deptt. of expenditure from time to time.
- iii. Releases being under Central Sector Schemes of Government of India, all scheme/project specific guidelines, relevant provisions of GFR 2017 shall be strictly complied. Instructions issued by Ministry of Finance/Department of Expenditure and MDoNER/NEC from time to time with respect to execution of works, procurement of goods, hiring of services etc., shall be duly observed. For Procurement of Goods and Services, as far as possible, and to the extent of availability, procurement shall be made from GeM portal, duly observing the guidelines of GeM (copy of GFR 2017 is available at [http://www.doe.gov.in/sites/default/files/GFR2017\\_0.FDF](http://www.doe.gov.in/sites/default/files/GFR2017_0.FDF)).




- iv. PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya shall not utilize the interest earned on the recurring/ fund released to the Govt. of Meghalaya for any purpose. As per GFR Rule 230(8), all interests or other earnings against release of fund or advances (other than reimbursement) released to anyone by Govt. of Meghalaya should be mandatorily remitted to the Consolidated Fund of India immediately after finalization of the accounts. The accounts of the PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya with respect to project in question shall be open for inspection by the sanctioning authority, audit and C&AG.
- v. The project will be completed within 24 (twenty four) months from the date of sanction. However, as the current approval of the NERSDS, the scheme is only up to March, 2022, all claims/proposals for release of final installment for the project should be submitted to NEC at least one month before the end date of the scheme, failing which all pending liabilities till the completion of the project will have to be borne by the State Govt. of Meghalaya. Under no circumstances Govt. of Meghalaya will abandon the project mid-way on account of any reasons including non-release of fund by NEC beyond March 2022.
- vi. The Work shall be executed on EPC mode of contracts to be awarded by the PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya after due observance of laid down procedures and fulfilling all codal formalities for tendering etc. in a transparent manner within 6 (six) months of issue of this sanction and a copy of the work order endorsed to the NEC. All items of work will be executed as per IRC specification. In case, no work order is received by NEC within a period of 6 (six) months from the issue of this Administrative Approval, the sanction of the project may be liable for cancellation. In case of any delay in the issuance of work order beyond six months, on account of exceptional/unavoidable reasons, State Govt, will seek approval of NEC. All such proposals will be accompanied with reasons for delay endorsed by the Chief Secretary of the Govt. of Meghalaya.
- vii. The project Components shall be as per approved DPR subject to modifications as per NEC/ MDoNER approval. The scope of work approved/ sanctioned in AA should be clearly mentioned in Schedule-B of EPC tender documents. No deviation in scope / items of work on lower side should be done by PWD; Govt of Meghalaya without prior approval of NEC/ MDoNER. No work shall be under taken by the PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya before the issue of Administrative Approval by NEC. No execution of contract Agreement or Award of works should be done before sanction of the project. Any work done prior to sanction of the project will not be funded by the NEC/ MDoNER. A team of Technical persons from NEC shall visit the site before commencement of project for better appreciation of project implementation.
- viii. Tenders/Work orders/Contracts signed by the PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya should have requisite clauses for ensuring timely completion of the project as per the approved scope, specifications timelines and penalty clauses for delay in implementation on the part of contractor. The bidders will quote the rate based on the assessment of existing road conditions on the ground. No escalation in the cost will be permissible. Any cost overrun over and above the approved/sanctioned cost due to escalation and delay in implementation or any other reasons has to be borne by the Govt. of Meghalaya.
- ix. PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya would parallelly appoint an Authority's Engineer to supervise the work as per terms ad conditions of Standard EPC Contract. The project work would not start before Authority Engineer is in place
- x. PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya will put in place a robust monitoring mechanism for proper execution of the projects sanctioned under the scheme. Implementation of the projects should be monitored and supervised effectively through regular inspections/ field visit by senior officers of the Govt. of Meghalaya as well as independent officials other than those of implementing agency. Govt. of Meghalaya shall get project inspected on ground at least once in a quarter and submit physical and financial progress report in prescribed proforma, within two weeks of inspection to NEC. Effective remedial measures should be taken for bringing qualitative improvement in project implementation. Project will be implemented strictly, as per scheme guidelines and conditions of Administrative



Approval. Govt. of Meghalaya will nominate a nodal officer for project, who will be responsible for timely implementation of sanctioned works. In addition to above monitoring mechanism, the Govt. of Meghalaya shall geo-tag the project and geo-tagged photographs of the project implementation status shall be uploaded on the MDoNER/ NEC portal/ Dashboard every month on the last day of the month.

- x. The capital cost of the projects includes the maintenance cost of 4 (four) years (no. maintenance charges for the 1<sup>st</sup> Year, 0.50% of the contract prices each for the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Year). Thereafter, PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya will maintain the assets created under the project after completion from its own resources. After completion of the project, a Completion Certificate along with utilization certificate of the total fund, released will be submitted by the Govt. of Meghalaya to NEC.
  - xii. PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya should maintain a register of permanent and semi-permanent assets acquired wholly or mainly out of the above fund in the prescribed format and copy thereof should be furnished to NEC. Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government Fund shall not be disposed off without obtaining the prior approval of the sanctioning authority of Release of fund.
  - xiii. Govt. of Meghalaya, shall certify that no grants-in-aid for this purpose or activities have been applied for or obtained from any other Ministry or Department of the Govt. of India or State Govt.
  - xiv. Notice Board should be available at the project Implementation site, which should indicate basic details like the date of sanction of the project, likely date of completion estimated cost of the project, source of funding under the Scheme (Government of India/ NEC). Contractor (s) name and the physical target. After Completion of the project, State Government will put a permanent display on site like plaque on the wall etc. after asset is created displaying details of schemes funding.
  - xv. The expenditure for the work would be met from the total provision made in the budget for NERSDS (under Major Head '4552').
3. The project will remain open for inspection/monitoring by Officials of NEC/Ministry of DoNER during the project implementation period.
  4. The Progress Report (both physical and financial) along with the road graph showing progress of different item of executed work should be submitted by PWD, Govt. of Meghalaya through State Planning Department to Adviser (T&C), with a copy to Financial Adviser, NEC and Adviser (E&M) of this Secretariat within 15<sup>th</sup> days of the quarter ending.
  5. The project is sanctioned from the outlay of Rs. 407.00 Crore for FY 2021-22 and the expenditure involved is debitable to the relevant Major Head and Sub-Head under Demand No.22, 4552.00.054.16.00.53 - North East Road Sector Development Scheme.
  6. This issue with the concurrence of Financial Adviser, NEC vides Dy.No. 91 dated 11/03/2022.

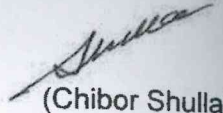
Yours faithfully,

  
(Navin Kumar)  
Adviser (T&C)

Dated : 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2022.

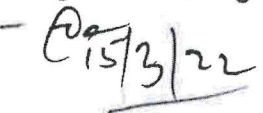
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3. Controller of Accounts, MoHUA, Room No. 237 B, Second floor, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. The Chief Secretary, Govt of Meghalaya, Shillong.
5. The Secretary, Planning Department, Govt of Meghalaya, Shillong.
6. The Secretary, Finance Department, Govt of Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
7. The Principal Secretary, PWD, Govt of Meghalaya, Shillong.
8. The Chief Engineer, PWD (Roads), Govt of Meghalaya, Shillong.
9. The Accountant General (Audit), Meghalaya, Shillong.
10. P.S. to Secretary, NEC Secretariat, Shillong.
11. Planning Adviser, NEC Secretariat, Shillong.
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Dated : 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2022.

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