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DEVELOPMENTS WITH REFERENCE TO NORTH EASTERN REGION

1. An Inter-Ministerial delegation consisting of Joint Secretary (NE), Ministry of Home Affairs, Joint Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence and others visited Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar for discussion and finalization of the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Border Co-operation with Myanmar on 9th May, 2013.
2. On 17th May, 2013, a meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (NE) to discuss issues regarding functioning of Foreigners Tribunals set up in Assam and also measures to deal with vanishing of the declared illegal migrants. The Home Secretary, Government of Assam and Additional DGP (Border) Assam also attended the meeting.
3. On 17th May, 2013, a meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (NE), Ministry of Home Affairs to review the Maoist activities in Assam and other parts of North Eastern States. Director (NM), Ministry of Home Affairs, Joint Director (IB), Ministry of Home Affairs etc. attended the meeting.
4. On 23rd May, 2013, a meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Joint Secretary (NE), Ministry of Home Affairs to review the status of Bodo Accord signed on 10.2.2013 where various clauses of Memorandum of Settlement (MoS) were discussed and decisions taken. Representatives of the Central Ministries and the State Government and the Bodo Territorial Council (BTC) including its MLAs/MP attended the meeting.
5. United Peoples' Party of Kangleipak (UPPK), a valley based insurgent group in Manipur signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 24.05.2013 and 80 cadres of the militant group joined the peace process and surrendered their arms.
6. Home Secretary (Designate) visited Assam from 27th to 29th May, 2013 for review of the security situation.
7. The Tribunal in the matter of Hynniewtrep National Liberation Council (HNLC) of Meghalaya, National Democratic Front of Boroland (NDFB) of Assam and United Liberation Front of Asom (ULFA) of Assam confirmed the Central Government decision to declare these groups as Unlawful Associations under powers conferred by Sub-Section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

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ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT UNDER CIVIC ACTION PROGRAMME BY CENTRAL ARMED POLICE FORCES

(A) Programmes undertaken by Assam Rifles

1. Medical/Veterinary Assistance

- (i) 9-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Khudengthabi village of Chandel district, Manipur on 4th May, 2013. About 145 persons received medical care.
- (ii) 9-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Moreh, Manipur on 6th May, 2013. About 230 persons received medical care.
- (iii) 20-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Machi village of Chandel district, Manipur on 8th May, 2013. About 125 persons received medical care.
- (iv) 14-Dental Unit Assam Rifles organised a dental camp at Thingkanphai village, Churachandpur district, Manipur on 11th May, 2013. About 90 persons received dental care.
- (v) 40-Assam Rifles organised a dental camp at Kiyamgai village, Imphal East district, Manipur on 12th May, 2013. About 180 persons received dental care.
- (vi) 9-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Bongyang village, Moreh district, Manipur on 12th May, 2013. About 145 persons received medical care.
- (vii) 24-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Sita village, Chandel district, Manipur on 13th May, 2013. About 135 persons received medical care.
- (viii) 20-Assam Rifles organized a medical camp at Chandel, district, Manipur on 14th May, 2013. About 165 persons received medical care.
- (ix) 24-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Kwatha village, Chandel district, Manipur on 16th May, 2013. 135 persons received medical care.
- (x) 46-Assam Rifles organised a medical/dental camp at Veng village, Churachandpur district, Manipur on 17th May, 2013. About 68 persons received medical care.
- (xi) 26-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp followed by lecture on 'Sexual Diseases and HIV' at Ngopa and Mimbung village, Aizwal district, Mizoram on 17th-18th May, 2013.
- (xii) Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Khudengthabi village (Moreh district) and Aibulon village (Churachandpur district), Manipur on 18th May, 2013.
- (xiii) 32-Assam Rifles organized a Health Mela at Joupi, Chandel district, Manipur on 18th May, 2013. About 370 persons received medical care.
- (xiv) 24-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Kwatha village, Chandel district, Manipur on 19th May, 2013. About 180 persons received medical care.
- (xv) 24-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Sita village, Chandel district, Manipur on 22nd May, 2013. About 160 persons received medical care.
- (xvi) 42-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp along with NGO Seva Kendra at Kaikhe Pathar, Jairampur district, Arunachal Pradesh on 23rd May, 2013. About 200 persons received medical care.
- (xvii) 24-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Sita village, Chandel district, Manipur on 24th May, 2013. About 196 persons received medical care.
- (xviii) 24-Assam Rifles organised a medical camp at Kwatha village, Chandel district, Manipur on 26th May, 2013. About 155 persons received medical care.
- (xix) 31-Assam Rifles organised a free medical check-up camp for the children of Spring Buds Orphanage at Sahaphumi village, Mokokchung district, Nagaland on 28th May, 2013. Free medicines were also distributed to the children.



Medical camps organized by Assam Rifles

2. **Assam Rifles assistance to orphanage.** 31-Assam Rifles donated nine solar lamps, one 500 litre plastic tank and eatables and kitchen items to Phom Lempong Orphanage Hostel, Longleng district, Nagaland on 5th May, 2013. 205 children of all age groups are residing in the orphanage.
3. **Assam Rifles distributed sports kit to Government school students.** 23-Assam Rifles distributed sports kit items to the students of Government School, Aboi of Mon District, Nagaland on 5th May, 2013.



4. **Assam Rifles provides assistance to school.** Headquarters, 5-Sector Assam Rifles gifted stationary items, books and crayons to the children at Cherry Blossoms school, Kohima (Nagaland) on 6th May, 2013.
5. **Assam Rifles organised free artificial limb camp.** Headquarters, 27-Sector Assam Rifles organised a 'free artificial limb camp' on 11th May, 2013 at Leimakhong, Imphal West district, Manipur. 50 amputees were provided artificial limbs during the camp.
6. **Assam Rifles constructed water supply scheme.** Headquarters, 26- Assam Rifles constructed water supply scheme for Tegnoupal village, Chandel district, Manipur and dedicated it to the people on 12th May, 2013.
7. **Assam Rifles conducted cancer counselling capsule.** 16-Assam Rifles conducted a 'cancer counselling capsule' for residents of Litan, Leigangching, Saraikhong, TM Koson and Maokot Chopu villages of Ukhrul district, Manipur on 13th May, 2013. 20 youths from these villages attended the programme.
8. **Assam Rifles distributed water storage tank to Girls orphanage.** On 28th May, 2013, 40-Assam Rifles



distributed water storage tanks to 'Darud Yatama Lal Banat Girls orphanage home' at Lilong village, Imphal West district, Manipur.

9. **Assam Rifles organised plantation drive.** On 28th May 2013, Headquarters, 9-sector Assam Rifles organised 'Go Green Plantation Drive' at Keithalmanbi Garrison, Senapati district, Manipur. 105 Saplings were planted.



(B) Programmes undertaken by CISF

1. CISF unit ONGC, Nazira

- (i) Shri Sudhir Vasudeva, CMD, along with Board of Directors visited ONGC Nazira on 10.5.2013.
- (ii) CISF personnel of CISF Unit ONGC Nazira, Fire team of ONGC and ONGC employees gave a demonstration on bomb threat at CTF plant of Geleky sector on 17.5.2013.
- (iii) CISF personnel observed "Anti Terrorism Day" on 21.5.2013 in the presence of DIG/Nazira.

2. ONGC, Jorhat

- (i) Shri Rajiv, Director General, CISF, visited CISF unit ONGC Jorhat on 5.5.2013 and briefed the personnel about the present security scenario and Naxal threats.
- (ii) Shri Sudhir Vasudev, CMD, alongwith Board of Directors visited ONGC Assam on 11.5.2013.

3. **CISF unit oil Duliajan:** CISF Unit oil Duliajan observed "Anti-Terrorism Day" on 21.5.2013. Shri Yogesh Mehta, Sr. Commandant administered pledge to CISF personnel.

4. **CISF unit IOCL, Digboi:** CISF unit IOCL Digboi observed "Anti Terrorism Day" on 21.5.2013.

5. **CISF unit OPS, Noonmati:** CISF unit OPS Noonmati observed "Anti Terrorism Day" on 21.5.2013.

6. **CISF unit, BTPP, Bongiagaon:** On the occasion of "Labour Day", an awareness programme on health,

hygiene and diseases was organized at BTPP/NTPC Hospital on 1.5.2013 for the NTPC workers by NTPC

Management. CISF Unit BTPP/NTPC, Bongaigaon sent a team of volunteers to assist the hospital authority.

**PROGRAMMES UNDERTAKEN BY MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(Department Of Electronics and IT)**

Assam

National e-Governance Award 2013

National Information Centre (NIC), Assam State Centre, jointly with Revenue & Disaster Management Department, Government of Assam bagged Gold Award, 2012-13 under the category “Government Process Re-engineering” in the recently concluded 16th National Conference on e-Governance held at Jaipur during Feb 11-12, 2013. This Award is in recognition to the state-wide rollout of the e-Panjeeyan (Registration) Project in seventy five Sub-Registrar Offices (SRO) and the Government Process Re-engineering (GPR) carried out in the Project. The selection committee appreciated the drastic reduction in time in providing the original copy of the deed to the parties concerned. It used to take 9-10 years in larger places like Guwahati in the pre-computerization period to get the original copy; which is now available in a single day post computerization. Unlike some other states, this project not only caters to property registrations but all kinds of registration including marriages.

e-panjeeyan also has been successfully integrated with e-stamping solution from Stock-holding Corporation of India Ltd (SHCIL) on the one hand and Dharitree (Land records Computerization) on the other. The lack of connectivity between Revenue Circles, SROs and the State-level Data Centre of the Revenue & Disaster Management Department has, however, been a major bottleneck which is preventing this project from being an entirely on-line system. The system has been developed in entirely open-source platform using

and object-oriented approach with JSF (as View), faces-config.xml (as the Controller), Java Classes (as Model) and My SQL as the backend database.

e-Governance projects implemented in Tripura

- All the 31 Revenue Circle Offices in the state have been connected under Tripura SWAN / through VPNoBB with a interface to NICNET. Client-Server based Jami application for Land Records Management was converted into 3-tier Web based Jami Ver.3.01 Unicode compliant application software; and hosted at Tripura State Data Centre and operationalised for all 31 Revenue Circles covering entire state. Tripura Land Registration System have been integrated with 3-tier Web based Jami Ver.3.01.
- Commercial Taxes-MMP has been rolled-out across all circles including e-Registration, e-Payment, e-Way Bill etc.
- E-Procurement Solution (GepNIC) has been implemented in Rural Development Department and PMGSY cell of PWD in Tripura.
- Web based Court Cases Monitoring System was deployed and made operational for few departments.
- Mother and Child Tracking System was implemented for entire state on progress and being converge/integrated with eORR , Marriage Register and ICDS.
- Operation, Management and Maintenance of Tripura State Wide Area Network with 62 PoPs with overall more than 96 percent of uptime.



NIC Team jubilant with the Award



The Golden Award under GPR category being received by Sh. V K Pipersenia, Principal Secretary (Revenue & DM), Govt. of Assam and other Revenue officials.

- A workflow based Hospital Management System, e-Hospital Suite, have been implemented in Agartala Government Medical College and Tripura Medical College.
- Tripura University, NIT-Agartala and Agartala Government Medical College are connected to gigabit NKN Tripura PoP.

Meghalaya:

Tracking System for Missing & Vulnerable Children:

“The portal “Tracking System for Missing & Vulnerable Children” <http://trackthemissingchild.gov.in/trackchild/> is being operated in Meghalaya with the help of the Social Welfare Department and the Police Department. A number of training programs/Workshops including video conferences have been conducted since March 2013 to ensure that all Child Care Institutes(CCI), Child Welfare Committees(CWC) and Juvenile Justice Boards(JJB) are registered with this portal, and that information about children housed in these institutes are maintained/managed in this portal. The portal not only maintains a database of children in Child Care Institutes(CCI), keeping in mind various provisions of JJ Act 2000, its amendments, Rules and Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS), but also maintains a database of missing and recovered persons with special emphasis on missing and recovered children. The tracking system developed under ICPS emphasizes the need to ensure proper care and protection of the “Child in Distress”.

Similarly efforts are also being made to impart training to all police personnel in the state to ensure that information pertaining to missing and recovered persons are uploaded to this portal, backlog data entry of persons missing since 2008 is underway, and the backlog data entry of East Khasi Hills district has been accomplished.

Nagaland:

- The data digitization of the centrally sponsored schemes and projects which NIC has developed –

NREGA(52 Blocks), BRGF (5 Districts) – RD & SIRD, IAY, SGSY are being trained to the Department. For MGNREGA, Kohima, Dimapur, Mokokchung, Wokha and Ghathashi Block of Zunheboto opted to go online for data entry.

- The judgments and cause-lists from various court-rooms are uploaded regularly in the District court Web-site (<http://www.districtjudgeshillong.gov.in>).

Manipur:

- **E-Procurement:** e-Procurement successfully implemented for PMGSY phase-VIII in Manipur. Altogether there were 50 packages.

Mizoram:

- Transport Project (VAHAN and Sarathi) implemented in all eight Districts. Application automates the entire workflow for issue of Registration Certificates (RCs) for vehicles and Driving Licenses (DLs) in eight District Transport Offices (DTOs) of Mizoram. Data from all districts is consolidated at the State Register and made available at the National Register for access by authorized persons through secured VPN over Broadband. Online access of DL & RC data by the citizens/government agencies and departments is available.
- In Mizoram, SMART CARD based DL & RC and Enforcement Module (VAHAN and SARATHI) have already been implemented in one DTO and rest of the 7 DTOs are planned to be covered shortly.
- **Commercial Tax (VatSoft):** NIC Karnataka software is customized in consultation with the Department and NIC and modules like e- waybill, e-registration (VAT and CST), e-payment, e-refund, e-returns, e-checkgate, e-sales have been implemented.
- **E-procurement :** Online enrolment and Bid submission of PMGSY Tenders is implemented.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (NIELIT) ACTIVITIES IN NE STATES

National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) has its centres in Aizawl, Agartala, Imphal, Itaganagar, Kohima/Chuchuyimlang, Guwahati/Tezpur, Gangtok and Shillong in the NE region. All these Centres are imparting IECT education and training in formal, non-formal sectors in IECT area for meeting the training requirement. These Centres also undertake consultancy services and software development projects etc. besides the training activities.

I. Upgradation of NE Centres

Under the approved project, ‘Development of North-Eastern Region by enhancing the Training / Education capacity in the IECT area’, six existing NIELIT Centres and

two extension centres will be upgraded and another 10 new extension centres will be set up so as to bring the training facility to the door steps of the students who are staying in remote areas of NE region. Under this project, NIELIT has already launched training activities from temporary buildings at Churachandpur (Manipur) and Lunglei (Mizoram) where the permanent campus of the extension centres will be set up. Further, possession of land has been taken at Chuchuyimlang (Nagaland), Kokrajhar (Assam), Aizawl and at Lunglei (Mizoram). Land has been identified at Tezpur (Assam), Silchar (Assam), Gangtok (Sikkim), Senapati(Manipur), Churachandpur (Manipur), Pasighat(Arunachal Pradesh) and Shillong (Meghalaya) for allotment to NILEIT by the respective State Governments.

Possession of buildings for temporary NIELIT extn. centres at Silchar, Jorhat (Assam), Churachandpur (Manipur), Lunglei (Mizoram), Gangtok (Sikkim), Guwahati (Assam) has been taken over and building for extn. centre at Kokrajhar (Assam) has been identified.

II. MoU signed with Tripura University

NIELIT signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Tripura University on 3rd Feb.2013 in the presence of Prof.A.Saha, VC and Prof.B.K.Agarwal, Pro-VC of Tripura Central University. The MoU facilitates Tripura Central University to develop excellence by way of formal and non-formal courses, thereby enhancing the employability of the students.

III. R&D in Medical Electronics & Health Informatics

Following projects have been initiated in NE Region during 2012-13 :

1. Augmentation for setting up of medical electronics lab and training of medical and paramedical personnel in the North-East Region.

Since Mizoram is a remote area, technicians and engineers who have professional skill in the field of medical electronics do not go there often and if there is any problem with the medical equipment, it is difficult for the medical and paramedical staff at the hospitals to locate the faults of the equipments. Further, due to inadequate equipment, quality and service conditions, the medical and paramedical staff of the hospitals need to be trained on the working principles, preventive maintenance and fault finding of electro-medical equipments generally used in the hospitals as the mishandling and lack of preventive maintenance of such equipments directly affect the patients. With this point of view, the project has been initiated to train medical and paramedical staff of various hospitals in Mizoram State in the proper maintenance, handling, working principles, do's and don't(s) of electro-medical equipments so as to help in use and maintenance of these equipments properly.

National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology, Aizawl, Mizoram initiated the project in April, 2012 with budgetary outlay of Rs. 65 lakh of which Rs. 15 lakh is contribution of NIELIT and Rs. 50 lakh by DeitY, Government of India. The project will be completed in 3 years.

2. Proposal for set-up of medical electronics laboratory at National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT) Agartala.

Due to location of Hospitals in remote areas, the necessity of setting up of a medical electronics laboratory

was felt as the hospitals are facing continuous break down of medical equipments and non-availability of adequate trained professionals in the vicinity. Till date the hospitals depended on repair manpower from far off places which usually takes long time for even small repairs and rectification. The long break down time of life saving medical equipments adversely affects the quality of delivery mechanism of medical care in the region. The project is meant to solve the problems faced by hospitals in Tripura for repair and maintenance of electro medical equipments. Patients have to go to hospitals outside Tripura. To support quality of delivery of health care services & training as well as for undertaking medical equipments maintenance services this project was initiated to establish a quality laboratory facility to train the existing technicians in upgrading their skills and generate skilled manpower in the field of medical engineering services.

National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology Agartala, Tripura is implementing the project since July, 2012 with a budget outlay of Rs. 92 lakh out of which Rs. 27 lakh is contribution of NIELIT and Rs. 65 lakh is contribution of DeitY, Govt. of India. The project will be completed within a period of 3 year and will result in improvement in health care services, better equipment condition & efficiency in the Hospitals, enhanced quality of services /products there by enhance revenue generation and also provide trained manpower for repair and maintenance of electro-medical equipment

NIELIT'S PRESENCE IN MANIPUR

National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology has its campus in Imphal at Akampat and is spread over an area of more than 20 acres. It houses the main Institute Building consisting of Administrative wing, Lecture halls, Faculty Rooms, Computer Labs, Mechanical Workshop, PCB Lab. Servicing cell and other laboratories. Besides the main institute building the campus houses the staff quarters, students' hostels, electrical sub-station and other host of essential facilities.

The Centre specializes in development of skill in the fields of electronics and communication engineering and information technology through various long-term and short-term courses. The long-term courses like diploma in electronics engineering (DEE) and diploma in computer science and engineering (DSCE) are in formal sector and lead to recognized certificate/diploma. Other short-term courses are aimed at giving proficiency and the hands-on skill in the key areas of technology. The main emphasis is on updating students on completion of their formal courses with the latest development in the fields of Electronics and Information Technology which are rapidly advancing.

NIELIT is in the process of setting up extension centres of NIELIT Imphal at Churachandpur and Senapati in Manipur. The extension centre at Churachandpur is operational temporarily and has started training programmes in O-Level, CHMO and other short term courses. This is the first extension centre of NIELIT among the 10 new extension centers that are coming up in North Eastern States.

NIELIT Extension Centre, Lunglei, Mizoram

The initial training facility of National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT) Extension Centre, Lunglei was inaugurated on 16th April, 2013 by Shri Joseph Lalhimpuala, Vice Chairman, High Powered Committee, Lunglei who is also a Member of Legislative Assembly, Mizoram at IIDC Campus, Pukpui, Lunglei. The

Extension Centre has started short term training programs in the area of IECT.

NIELIT Centre, Agartala, Tripura

NIELIT centre in Agartala conducted KIITEE-2013 online entrance examination on behalf of Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, University, Bhubaneswar from 23rd to 30th April, 2013 for 768 candidates. NIELIT Centre has introduced "Oracle Work Force Development program", namely- Oracle Database 10g and Java Programming Language SE 6. The Centre has also introduced the course on repair and maintenance of medical electronics equipments under DeitY sponsored project of "Set up of Medical Electronics Laboratory for Repair and Maintenance of Electro medical Equipments".

ROAD PROJECTS WORTH RS. 1,993 CR SANCTIONED FOR ASSAM

The Central Government has cleared three major road projects for Assam worth over Rs. 1,933 crore. The three road infrastructure projects are envisaged to cut travel time from Nagaon to Dibrugarh and beyond. The projects would also increase employment potential.

The First project is four-laning of the Demow-Bogibil junction of National Highway-37 in the state under the Special Accelerated Road Development Programme in North Eastern Region (SARDP-NE). The cost is estimated to be Rs. 473.45 crore.

The project is envisaged to expedite the improvement of infrastructure in Assam and also reduce

the time and cost of travel, particularly heavy traffic, plying between Guwahati and Dibrugarh. It will also increase employment potential for local labourers for project activities. The project covers Dibrugarh and passes through the towns of Numaligarh, Dergaon, Jorhat and Jhanji.

The second project is four lanning of the 'Jorhat-Demow' section of National Highway- 37. The cost is estimated to be Rs. 874.69 crore. The length of the road will be approximately 80 km. The four-laning of 'Numaligarh-Jorhat' section of National Highway-37 is estimated to be Rs. 584.68 crore. The length of road will approximately be 51 km.

AGENCY FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT ACTION (ARDA) LAYS EMPHASIS ON QUALITY EDUCATION TO IMPROVE LIVES OF RURAL ASSAMESE

The Agency for Rural Development Action (ARDA) is playing a very important role in taking education to people in the rural Assam. Selek Kamalpur village, situated on the bank of Brahmaputra at Majuli in Assam's Jorhat district, is inhabited by nearly 3,000 people. The village, inhabited by the Mising tribe, till recently lacked basic facilities, including a school.

With the efforts of the ARDA, the situation is changing gradually. ARDA, set up by Shri K. A Thomas and some villagers, aims at bringing about a change in the rural areas. It set up a public school in 2007 which has 110 students and 9 teachers.

"I got lot of help from the public of this area. They supported me to build this school. They want to see lot of things like engineers, good teachers and good development in the school and in this area," said Lbijoy Doley, Principal,

ARDA Public School.

The school, which currently conducts courses upto primary level, charges a reasonable annual fee from students. While the medium of instruction is English, the school lays emphasis on keeping students rooted to the Mising tribal language.

"The people here are illiterate. I decided to teach them and make the society and the coming generation educated," said Thomas Doley, a teacher.

"My aim in life is to become a doctor. I have to study hard. After becoming a doctor, I will see sick persons and give medical service to the society," Added Amiya Doley, a student.

Education can play an important role by steering the youth towards a productive and better life.

NORTH EAST EXPERIENCES REAL ESTATE BOOM

The countrywide boom in the real estate sector is now visible in the North East, especially in Assam, which has fast emerged as an investment hotspot. Assam is a growing hub for trade and commerce in the North East. This has opened up new vistas for the real estate industry. Shopping malls, showrooms, apartments and hotels- the new face of city has made it one of the most happening places in the country.

And to tap the potential- real estate developers are venturing in. In recent years, the demand for both residential and commercial complexes is on the rise.

“Now the government is focusing on Northeast and there is immense potential for development & growth of industrial projects,” said D K Roy, Dy General Manager,

TANTIA construction, Kolkata.

Recently, a three-day realty expo was held in Maniram Dewan Trade Centre in Guwahati. Organised by AREIDA, it aimed at bringing real estate leaders and customers under one roof. Many multinational companies also participated in the expo.

“We have our own service, showroom here in Guwahati. Now we are concentrating on the entire North East because North East is one of the fast growing markets in India” said Parag Miraz, a participant. The decline of insurgency has triggered economic growth in the North East. One of the sectors to benefit from this is the real estate sector.

READERS COLUMN

The NE monthly Newsletter is published in English, Assamese, Bengali and Manipuri and has a circulation of 40,000 copies. Ministry of Home Affairs brings out the publication incorporating important information/developments concerning North Eastern States.

Ministry of Home Affairs, through the Newsletter, requests for inputs for the Newsletter from the State Governments, agencies, institutions and individuals highlighting the area specific issues, problems, special features, potential for tourism, environmental protection or special efforts/achievement in various fields. Views and write-ups from general public are also solicited on specific issues/problems including on measures for resolution thereto in the North East.

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