GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO 2725 ANSWERED ON 10.08.2017

Improving connectivity in Manipur

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

- (a) whether a working group on Improvement and Development of Transport Infrastructure in the North-East under the National Transport Development Policy Committee has submitted a report;
- (b) if so, the details of recommendations for improving connectivity in the North-East with special focus on Manipur; and
- (c) whether the Ministry has started/proposes to start any project for transport infrastructure in Manipur on line with those recommendations under NLCPR and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, Sir. The Working Group on Improvement and Development of Transport Infrastructure in the North East had submitted its report to National Transport Development Policy Committee (NTDPC) in June, 2012.
- (b) The recommendations of the Committee inter alia include, intensifying transport linkage with Myanmar in particular; development of hubs and spoke model for improving air connectivity; development of skills for construction and maintenance; inclusion of provision for periodic maintenance in road contracts; optimal use of waterways and development of multi-model hubs.
- (c) Under the scheme of Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR), projects are taken up on the basis of priority list submitted by State Government. In Manipur, under sector "Road and Bridges", 20 projects with approved cost of Rs.92.37 crore have been completed and 06 projects with approved cost of Rs.205.78 crore are in progress.