

**EXTRACTS OF MINUTES OF REVIEW MEETING OF NEC WORKS
HELD ON 15.05.2007 AT NEC SECRETARIAT, NONGRIM HILLS, SHIILONG**

“... Third Party Quality Control, Evaluation and Monitoring:-

It was brought that as per direction of Planning Commission, the engagement of 3rd party Quality Control has been made mandatory. For this purpose NEC has taken up an exercise and short-listed 17 reputed Consultants working in the region. The list of these Firms and terms of reference for Quality control, Monitoring and Evaluation has already been conveyed to all the State. The States have to choose a consultant based on competitive bidding and engage him for providing the services.

..... the States would ensure that 3rd Party Quality control is in plan within next four months. **Second instalment of 2007-08 of funds would be released only after the 3rd Party Quality Control is on place.”**

“... Release of Funds:-

It was brought out that as per DPR the funds should be released in a fixed number of instalments as prescribed in DPR. However, this could not be implemented due to spreading of NEC resources too thinly in various projects. However, it is proposed to release the funds in one/two instalments annually. On the proposal of release of funds in one instalment, most of the representatives were of the view that the release should continue to be done in two instalments. In case the funds are released in one instalment, the possibility of diversion of fund to project other than NEC increases in the State Government. This would also lead to accumulation of funds with Finance Department of the State resulting in poor utilization. With present system, the utilization is better monitored by all.

Dy. Financial Adviser, NEC also informed that there was some delay in the release of Fund by NEC to Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur due to **non-opening of core-banking account** by the States. He has requested the State representative to take up the matter with the Finance Department so that such kind of delay is avoided in future. He has further state that all the State Finance Department will be requested to open a separate account for NEC Funds to avoid diversion of Fund to other than NEC works.....”

“... Inspection of works by NEC Engineers:

It was brought out that regular inspection would be carried out by NEC Engineers. For this purpose the Executive Engineers of NEC would inspect each and every work at least once annually, followed by Superintending Engineer (T&C) and Adviser (T&C). The Chief Engineer were therefore requested to ensure proper quality Control and maintain the records of Quality control test being conducted by them. The absence of records of Quality Control would be taken as non maintenance of Quality. They were also informed that the **second instalment of funds for 2007-08 would be released once the inspection conducted by NEC engineers and the Quality and progress is found satisfactory.”**

“... Nari Telam Rema Road:-

This is an interstate road connecting Arunachal Pradesh and Assam. Arunachal Pradesh Chief Engineer informed that the estimated cost is Rs. 62.20 crore and out of the 73.00 Kms, formation has been completed for 45.67 km and bridge 5 nos. 35%. It was suggested that the pavement work also should take up simultaneously along with other works. Chief Engineer made a demand of Rs. 15.00 crore to take up the works as per target but due to financial crunch only **Rs. 6.00 crores** could be allotted.....”