

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
LOK SABHA**

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NORTH EAST ECONOMIC TIES

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

(a) whether the Government is considering to decline the North East as the springboard for launching economic and cultural ties with eastern neighbours; and

(b) if so, the steps taken for building infrastructure and security in the hilly 60 Km Palet-Moreh road so far?

Answer

MINISTER, MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI P.R.KYNDIAH)

(a): The North Eastern Region due to its proximity and similarity with surrounding region has significant role to play in forging economic and cultural ties with the eastern neighbours. Steps have, therefore, been taken to create infrastructure to have better communication systems, set up industries with public-private partnership and encourage border trade in the Region.

(b): The work of widening of Palet-Moreh road from single/intermediate lane to 2-lane amounting to Rs.16.37 crore is in progress, which will provide 2-lane facility throughout the length of NH-39 terminating at Moreh. Besides this another work of road improvement for Rs.60.331 lakh has been sanctioned by the Department of Road Transport & Highways.