

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

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

- (a) whether the North East Development Financial Corporation Ltd. Through a study has suggested setting up of three industrial corridors and downstream industries with the products of ongoing Gas Cracker project in Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to train the potential entrepreneurs for setting up downstream industries with products of Gas Cracker project in the North East;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the manner in which the services of professionals, banks, experts, etc. are proposed to be utilized for the purpose;
- (e) whether any feasibility study has been conducted in this regard; and
- (f) if so, the details and outcome thereof?

Answer

(Shri Bijoy Krishna Handique Minister, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region)

(a) & b): The North Eastern Development Finance Corporation Limited (NEDFi) had conducted a study titled "Study and Action Plan for setting up downstream Plastic Processing & Allied Industries on Assam Gas Cracker Project". Through this study, three Industrial Corridors were suggested for promotion of industry along with two Integrated plastic Parks for the downstream industries which are as under:

Industrial Corridor 1 : Along NH37, Between Guwahati and Nagaon

Industrial Corridor 2 : Along NH 37/38 between Jorhat Town and Margherita covering Dibrugarh and Tinsukia enroute

Industrial Corridor 3 : Along NH 52 from Baihata Chariali to Kulajan

Integrated Plastic Parks: At Tinsukia and the 2nd One at Nagaon or converting existing Industrial Growth Centres at Matia or Balipara.

The study also identified 25 nos. of product profiles which can be promoted as downstream industries, using the products of Assam Gas Cracker Project

(c) to (f): The Ministry of DONER has been organizing a number of trainings through the Central Institute of Plastic Engineering & Technology (CIPET), the premier such institute in the country. During 2009-10, CIPET, Chennai conducted 4 CAD/CAM training programmes in Plastic Engineering Technology. Similarly a number of programmes were organized at CIPET's centres at Imphal and Guwahati. NEDFi itself is implementing a Scheme called North East Entrepreneurs Development Scheme (NEEDS).