

**Ministry of Mines
Government of India
National Mineral Exploration Trust**

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To

The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner & Secretary/Secretary,
Mining & Geology Department/ Department of Industries & Commerce/Department of
Mines & Minerals/ Textiles, Commerce & Industry Arunachal Pradesh/ Assam/ Meghalaya/
Nagaland/ Sikkim/ Tripura/Mizoram/ Manipur.

Sir,

The Central Government has established the National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET) for accelerating mineral exploration activities in the country.

2. NMET provides funding support to State DGMS/DMGs, Notified Exploration Agencies (NEAs) and Notified Private Exploration Agencies (NPEAs) for baseline surveys, regional and detailed mineral exploration and procurement of machinery/equipment/software for enhancing exploration.
3. Recently, the 2nd North-East Mining Ministers' Conclave was held on 27th and 28th June, 2025, at Guwahati, Assam. Shri G Kishan Reddy, Hon'ble Union Minister of Coal & Mines, graced the Conclave as the Chief Guest. During the Conclave, the Hon'ble Minister announced financial support of ₹10.0 crore to each NER State during FY 2025-26 for carrying out systematic exploration.
4. In pursuance of the above, it is requested to submit proposals to NMET for enhancing exploration activities at the earliest. The amount may be utilized for the following activities:
 - a. Mineral Exploration;
 - b. Procurement of machinery/equipment/software, including AMC;
 - c. Establishment and upgradation of laboratories/software, etc.



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To:

1. The Addl. Chief Secretary, Department of Mines & Minerals, Government of Assam.
2. The Addl. Chief Secretary, Textiles, Commerce & Industry, Government of Manipur.
3. The Commissioner & Secretary, Mining & Geology Department, Government of Meghalaya.

4. The Commissioner & Secretary, Department of Geology & Mining, Government of Nagaland.
5. The Secretary (Geology & Mining), Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
6. The Secretary, Mines and Geology Department, Government of Sikkim.
7. The Secretary, Department of Industry & Commerce, Government of Tripura.
8. The Commissioner & Secretary, Commerce & Industries Department, Government of Mizoram.
9. The Director, Department of Geology and Mining, Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
10. The Director, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Government of Assam.
11. The Director, Directorate of Mineral Resources, Government of Meghalaya.
12. The Director, Directorate of Geology and Mining, Government of Nagaland.
13. The Director, Department of Mines, Minerals & Geology, Government of Sikkim
14. The Director, Directorate of Geology & Mineral Resource, Government of Mizoram.
15. The Director, Department of Industries & Commerce, Government of Tripura.
16. The Director, Department of Trade, Commerce & Industries, Government of Manipur.

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4. PPS to Director General, National Mineral Exploration Trust, Ministry of Mines, New Delhi.