Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North East Region (PM-DevINE) Scheme

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Why in News?

As of February 2026, 48 projects have been sanctioned under the Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North East Region.

- **Aim –** It is designed to ***accelerate development in the 8 North Eastern States.***
- **Type of Scheme – *Central Sector Scheme*** (100% funded by the Union Government).
- **Launched in** –**2022** to implement for **(2022–23 to 2025–26).**
- **Nodal Ministry –** Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER).
- **Implementing Agencies –** North Eastern Council (NEC), Central Ministries / agencies and State Governments of the North Eastern Region.

  North Eastern Council (NEC) *is established under the North Eastern Council Act, 1971, functions as the regional planning body for the North Eastern Region.*

- **Objectives – Spirit of PM GatiShakti -** Infrastructure development projects aligned with ***PM GatiShakti***.
- **Social Development**- Social development projects based on regional needs.
- **Livelihood Generation -** Enhancement of livelihood opportunities for youth and women.
- **Gap Filling -** Filling developmental gaps in various sectors of the North Eastern Region.
- **Identification Criteria –**Projects are selected based on "Felt needs" of

the region, Developmental gaps in infrastructure and social sectors and Alignment with PM GatiShakti planning framework.

- **Eligible Regions –** The scheme covers all **8 states of the North Eastern Region (NER)** - Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura.
- **Key Projects Under the Scheme - Sikkim**- Passenger Ropeway System from Pelling to Sanga-Choeling (Completed).
- **Assam** - Transformation of 20 schools into Centres of Excellence in Kamrup district.
- **Multi-State** - Livelihood improvement projects focusing on Banana Pseudo Stem utilization for value-added products.
- **Tripura** - Establishment of a Solar Micro Grid for reliable power in remote habitations.
- **Manipur**- Infrastructure development for the Manipur Technical University (MTU).

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