

NEC organize virtual meet with STINER Spokes

The North Eastern Council (NEC) organized a virtual meet on 27 May, 2021 at 10.30 am of their flagship programme of Science & Technological intervention for North East India (STINER) with the STINER Hub i.e. CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat and identified Spokes of states of North East India i.e. Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Sikkim and Nagaland. Nagaland STINER Spoke has already sanctioned and is now functioning; however, the other states STINER Spokes are yet to get formal nod from the NEC. The CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat, the STINER Hub and which will provide technical guidance to all STINER Spokes has already identified the host institutions of STINER Spokes with discussion with the NEC. Accordingly, the North Eastern Regional Institute for Science & Technology (NERIST) for Arunachal Pradesh, North Eastern Hill University for Meghalaya, Mizoram University for Mizoram, Tripura University for Tripura, Sikkim University for Sikkim and CSIR-NEIST Branch laboratory at Imphal for Manipur has been identified for establishment of STINER Spokes. School of Agricultural Science & Rural Development (SASRD), Nagaland University has already working as Nagaland STINER Spoke.

Shri CH Kharshiing, Planning Adviser, NEC briefed about the concept of STINER project and the function of Spokes in the virtual meeting. He also stressed that STINER project is a special task with a mandate to promote entrepreneurship movement in the region with targeting farmers and artisan. Dr G. Narahari Sastry, Director, CSIR-NEIST welcome all the participants and asked for cooperation from all the Spokes to give their best in implementing the project and to reach its goal. Smti Sherry Lalthangzo, Economic Adviser, NEC moderated the meeting. In the meeting, each spokes presented the list of technologies they have selected for operating under the project. Several Scientists were present from CSIR-NEIST and took part in the discussion.