

Unlocking North East India's Growth potential

"Finding strength from within!"



The North Eastern Region (NER), ' a rainbow country *....extraordinarily diverse and colorful*, *mysterious when seen through parted clouds*'.





Platform for growth- *Positive changes in the region, yet credible awareness is lacking.*





Realizing potential A value chain/Ecosystem approach

Infrastructure leverages	 •9000km highway / road network •4000km navigable waterways 10MmT per annum cargo transport •Major projects like Kaladaan, East-West Corridor, SARDP, etc •Extensive GOI funding and support through 5yr plans and specific NER policies
Geographic leverages	 •4500km international borders •4 neighbouring countries •52% forest cover •Extensive network of perennial rivers •Highest rainfall in the country
Natural Reserves	 •60% of national hydropower potential •50% of national oil and gas reserves •Highest grade coal reserves in the country •Extensive mineral deposits like dolomite, gypsum, limestone
Urbanization	 •15 cities with more than 100k population •2 cities with more than 500k •Several institutes of higher education - IIT, MIT, etc •Fastest growing consumer goods market

Shift the Centre of gravity to the Centre of Northeast- not a corner of India:A Geocentric approach



Indigenous approach: *Right fitted to the inherent growth levers*





The Need- move from the Vicious cycle to the Virtuous cycle



A Sustained GDP achiever



How?



..... Building Resilience for a Sustainable Tomorrow



Brand "North-East"

Key Elements of Brand

 "Credible Awareness" of the fundamental changes in North East.

Recognize that North East is a "New Centre of Gravity"

Build a growth model which builds on "yesterdays skills, with investments of today for markets of Tomorrow"

Recognize that local Entrepreneurship will grow and external investments will then flow.



Forging Partnerships – start small





Thank you.

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