MAJOR INITIATIVES/ ACHIEVEMENTS OF NE DIVISION, MHA DURING 2019-2020 (UPTO 31.1.2020)

1. Security situation in North East Region: The overall security situation in the North Eastern States improved substantially since 2014. Last six years have seen a significant decline in insurgency incidents by 70%, casualties of security forces personnel by 78% and civilians deaths by 80% in the region. The year 2019 recorded the lowest insurgency incidents and casualties among the civilians and security forces during the last two decades since 1997. Compared to 2018, insurgency incidents have registered a decline of 12% in the year 2019 [2018-252, 2019-223]. Similarly, there has been huge reduction of 71% in SFs deaths[2018-14, 2019-4] and 9% in civilians deaths[2018-23, 2019-21] in 2019. Counter Insurgency Operations led to neutralization of 12 militants, arrest of 936 militants and recovery of 312 weapons in 2019 in the region. A total of 158 cadres of militant outfits of NE States have surrendered with 67 weapons in 2019 and joined the mainstream of society. While the States of Mizoram, Sikkim and Tripura are completely free from insurgency, there has been a marked improvement in security situation in other States of the region.

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2. Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act in North East: To deal with armed insurgency in North East, entire State of Assam, Nagaland and
Manipur (except Imphal Municipal area) are under Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958. Due to improved security situation, AFSPA has been removed from entire State of Meghalaya from 31.3.2018. In Arunachal Pradesh, area under AFSPA has been reduced from 16 Police Stations/Outposts area bordering Assam earlier to 4 Police Stations and three districts of Tirap, Changlang and Longding. The notifications declaring Manipur and Assam as “disturbed area” have been issued by the State Governments.

3. **Banning of insurgent groups of NE States:** 17 insurgent groups operating in North Eastern States have been declared as “unlawful associations” and/or “terrorist organizations” under Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. During the year 2019, ban on HNLC of Meghalaya and NDFB & ULFA of Assam were extended for 5 more years upto 15.11.2024, 22.11.2024 and 26.11.2024 respectively.

4. **Constitution of HLC for implementation of clause 6 of Assam Accord:** Since the signing of Assam Accord in 1985, several measures have been taken to fulfill provisions of the Accord, particularly Clause 6 which provides for “constitutional, legislative and administrative safeguards, as may be appropriate, shall be provided to protect, preserve and promote the cultural, social, linguistic identity and heritage of the Assamese people”. The Central Government has also constituted a High Level Committee under the Chairmanship of Justice Biplob Kumar Sarma, Former Judge, Gauhati High Court on 15.7.19 to examine the effectiveness of actions taken since 1985 to implement Clause 6 of the Accord and suggest/recommend measures to be taken in this regard.

5. **Constitution of Multi-Disciplinary Committee (MDC) to look into Development issues and special needs of the Eastern Nagaland:** A multi-Disciplinary Monitoring Committee, set up on 12.06.2019 to look into development issues and special needs of the Eastern Nagaland, visited
Nagaland from 9.9.2019 to 12.9.2019. Subsequently, the report finalized by the Committee was approved by the Hon’ble Union Home Minister on 27.11.2019. A copy to the report was accordingly, forwarded to Ministry of DoNER on 18.12.2019 to initiate special measures to speed up development in physical structure and various important sectors in the four Districts of Nagaland i.e. Tuensang, Longleng, Mon and Kirphire.

6. Amendment to Article 280 and Sixth Schedule to the Constitution: The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty Fifth Amendment) Bill, 2019 for amending Article 280 to strengthen the Autonomous Council under sixth Schedule has been introduced in the Rajya Sabha on 06.20.2019 and the same has been referred by Chairman, Rajya Sabha to DPSC for examination and report thereon.


8. Memorandum of Settlement signed with NLFT of Tripura on 10.08.2019: A tripartite Memorandum of Settlement (MoS) between Government of India, Government of Tripura and National Liberation Front of Twipra (NLFT) led by Sh. Sabir Kumar Debbarma (NLFT/SD) was signed on 10.08.2019. As per MoS, NLFT(SD) agreed to abjure the path of violence, join the mainstream and abide by the Constitution of India. As a result, 88 cadres of NLFT(SD) surrendered with 44 arms in a surrender ceremony on 13.8.2019, thereby assimilating them into the mainstream.

9. Home Minister Level Talks between India and Bangladesh: Home Minister level talks between India and Bangladesh was held on 07.08.2019 at New Delhi. The HMLT was co-chaired by Shri Amit Shah, Home Minister of India and Mr. Asaduzzaman Khan, Minister for Home Affairs of Bangladesh. In
the meeting, various security related issues and mutual cooperation between
the two countries including building confidence measures etc. were discussed.

10. Sectoral Level Meeting between India and Myanmar: 24th Sectoral
Level Meeting between India and Myanmar was held on 23-24th September,
2019 at Myanmar. Indian delegation was led by Shri Satyendra Garg, Joint
Secretary(NE), MHA, GoI and Myanmar delegation by Mr. U Khang Tun Oo,
DG, MHA, Govt. of Myanmar. During the meeting, cooperation on internal
security, management of international borders, cooperation in prevention of
Drug Trafficking, Wildlife smuggling and issues of mutual concerns were
discussed.

11. Signing of agreement for resettlement of Bru migrant in Tripura: To
arrive at a permanent solution to a 23 year old Bru-Reang internally displaced
persons undergoing human crisis, an agreement was signed between
Government of India, Government of Mizoram, Government of Tripura and
representatives of Bru migrants on 16.1.2020 in New Delhi. As per this
agreement, around 34000 Bru migrants will be resettled in Tripura and would
be given financial assistance/aid by the Government of India for their
resettlement in Tripura and all round development through a package of
around Rs. 600.00 crore.

12. Surrender of 644 cadres of NE militant outfits on 23.01.2020:
Further in continuation of efforts for long lasting peace in North East region, in
a surrender ceremony organised on 23-01-2020 at Guwahati, 644 cadres of
various outfits (viz. ULFA/I-50, NDFB-8, KLO-6, Rava National Liberation
Front-13, Communist Party of India-Maoist-1, National Santhal Liberation
Army-87, Adivasi Dragon Fighter-178 and National Liberation Front of Bengali-
301) surrendered. In this surrender ceremony, a total of 177 Arms, 52
grenades, 71 bombs, 3 rocket launchers, 306 detonators, 1.93 Kg explosive
and 1666 rounds of ammunition were deposited by them. All surrendered militants will be rehabilitated as per Central and State government schemes.

13. Memorandum of Settlement with Bodo groups on 27.01.2020: In a major development towards ending the over 50 years of Bodo crisis, on 27.1.2020, a tripartite Memorandum of Settlement (MOS) has been signed, between Central Government, Assam Government and representatives of Bodo Groups including NDFB (Progressive), NDFB (Ranjan Daimary), NDFB(S), UBPO and ABSU. This settlement will be a solution to the problem that has cost the region over 4000 lives and this MoS will address all pending demands of Bodo people in Assam.

14. Surrender of 1615 cadres of NDFB on 30.01.2020:

Following the signing of MoS with Bodo groups, a total of 1615 cadres comprising 836 cadres of National Democratic Front of Bodoland (Progressive), 579 cadres of NDFB(Ranjan Daimary) and 200 cadres of NDFB(Saoraigwra) have surrendered in a ceremony held at Guwahati on 30.1.2020 along with huge quantity of arms and ammunition.

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