

CONTRIBUTIONS OF NORTHEASTERN COUNCIL (NEC) TOWARDS HIGHER AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION IN THE NORTH-EASTERN REGION OF INDIA

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ABSTRACT

North Eastern Council is the nodal agency for economic and social development of North Eastern Region (NER) which consists of eight states of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, and Tripura. NEC serves as an apex level body for securing balanced and coordinated development and facilitating coordination with NER states. It has been mandate to function as the regional planning body for NER. It gives priority to schemes and projects while formulating a regional plan for this area benefiting two or more states. The paper aimed to investigate the role played by North Eastern Council (NEC) towards higher and professional education in the North-Eastern Region of India. The paper also focused to suggest measures for improving the role of North Eastern Council (NEC) towards higher and professional education in the North-Eastern Region of India.

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