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Press Release: 3rd India-Bhutan High Impact Community Development Project Committee meeting

The third meeting of the India-Bhutan High Impact Community Development Project (HICDP) Committee between the Government of India and the Royal Government of Bhutan took place on 6 May 2020 in Thimphu. The RGOB delegation was led by Mr. Sonam Tobgay, Director, Department of Bilateral Affairs while the Indian delegation was led by Mr. Sameer Akolkar, Second Secretary(Political & Economic), Embassy of India, Thimphu.

The HICDP Committee approved funding of Rs. 173.2075 crores for the implementation of 110 High Impact Community Development Projects envisaged under the 12th Five Year Plan of Bhutan. These projects will lead to development of farm roads, urban infrastructure, irrigation channels, bridges, health & education infrastructure, renewable natural resources infrastructure and nurturing of entrepreneurship skills. In the background of COVID-19, small development projects will prove to be critical in the generation of employment opportunities for the rural communities.

India will always stand in solidarity as Bhutan re-calibrates its development pathways and reviews its 12th Five Year Plan priorities in the wake of COVID-19.

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