

Golden jubilee of North-Eastern Council (NEC)

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In news– The Golden Jubilee of the NEC was observed on the 18th December 2022.

About North Eastern Council (NEC)-

- **Established by an Act of the Parliament in 1971** , NEC was **formally inaugurated on 7th November, 1972 at Shillong, Meghalaya**, marking the beginning of a new chapter of concerted and planned endeavor on the part of the Government of India for the North Eastern Region.
- **Originally consisting of the seven states** of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura, **Sikkim was included as the eighth member state** through the NEC (Amendment) Act, 2002.
- North Eastern Council (NEC) is **under the administrative purview of the Ministry of Development of the North-Eastern Region (MDoNER)**.
- Some of the most iconic Institutions of the North Eastern Region such as-
 - The Regional Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Imphal;
 - North East Police Academy (NEPA), Shillong;
 - North East Region Institute of Water and Land Management (NERIWALM), Tezpur;
 - North Eastern Space Application Centre (NESAC), Shillong;
 - Dr. Bhubaneswar Borooh Cancer Institute (BBCI) Guwahati etc. have been set up with NEC support.
- The policy deliberations at the NEC are conducted at the Plenary meetings of the Council.
- Since 1972, the NEC Plenary has been held in various North Eastern States and the national capital on seventy occasions.