About MDoNER
The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region is responsible for the matters relating to the planning, execution and monitoring of development schemes and projects in the North Eastern Region. Its vision is to accelerate the pace of socio-economic development of the Region so that it may enjoy growth parity with the rest of the country.

About TERI North-East
The North-Eastern Regional Centre of TERI was opened in 1993 in Guwahati (Assam) with the aim of understanding energy and environment related issues and seeking feasible solutions to anthropogenically induced imprints on the fragile ecology of the region. Since its foundation, the Centre has developed extensive expertise in harmonizing community aspirations for sustainable development and economic empowerment with a sustainable utilization of natural resources in the North-East.

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Workshop on Preservation and Conservation of Knowledge and Practices of North East for Sanitation, Cleanliness and related Medical Issues

Date
27 February 2017

Venue
Jacaranda Hall, India Habitat Center, Lodhi Road, New Delhi

Registration
Free on First come First Serve Basis |
Send your participation by 24 February 2017
Participation
The workshop is expected to draw professionals from a wide range of disciplines. Around 100 participants with mere knowledge and interest on cultural resource management will add value to them. This workshop will have great benefit for the following kind of audience:
- PhD and Masters Students from Arts, Sociology and Culture, Science disciplines
- Academicians, Practitioners and Policy makers

Objectives
- understand the management and preservation of traditional healing and sanitation practices of North East
- means and ways to store the tacit and explicit these knowledge
- implement programs to collect, preserve and disseminate indigenous and local traditional knowledge resources.
- to make available and promote these practices which support research and learning about indigenous and local traditional medicine knowledge, its importance and use in modern society.
- communicate and increase the outreach and publicize the value, contribution, and importance of indigenous and local traditional knowledge and practices to both non-indigenous and indigenous peoples.

Trust Areas for Discussion
Achieving Sustainability through Cleanliness and Hygiene – Cases from North East
- Cultural system of indigenous community towards cleanliness
- Waste disposal and segregation in indigenous community
- Perceived values and importance of indigenous people towards sanitation and hygiene.
- Traditional lifestyle and housing design and system.
- Traditional methods of household maintenance and community participation in cleanliness drives.
- Replicable best practices on cleanliness and sanitation
- Issues to be addressed to achieve total sanitation including the remotest area of the region.

Background
The NE (Northeast) India comprising the Seven Sisters’ states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Sikkim as one brother is endowed with luscious landscape, inhabited by diverse range of communities, tribes, with distinct geographical and ecological diversity that stands out unique from other parts of the subcontinent.

The region has borders with Myanmar, Bhutan and Bangladesh. Each state has unique beauty, with picturesque hills and green meadows which shelters thousands of species of flora and fauna. The topography of the hills is generally rugged and vast areas are inaccessible. Hill ranges forming part of the Himalayas guard the northern side of the region. The area is made up of mountains above the snow line and plains just a little higher than sea level.

A place renowned for its magical beauty and bewildering diversity, North East India is the home for more than 166 separate tribes speaking a wide range of languages. Some groups have migrated over the centuries from places as far as South East Asia; they retain their cultural traditions and values. Its jungles are dense, its rivers powerful and rain, and thunderstorms sweep across the hills, valleys and plains during the annual monsoons.