### **Infrastructural bottlenecks of NER**

Difficult and hilly terrain, geographical location and short working season of the North Eastern Region (NER) pose a challenge to development of optimal infrastructure and communication links within the region and with the rest of the country.

## <u>Implementation of Sarva Shiksha</u> <u>Abhiyan</u>

The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) is the designated scheme for implementation of the Right of the Child to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act 2009, with the aim of universalizing elementary education.

# <u>Commerce & Industry Minister</u> <u>emphasises the need for efficient and</u> <u>fair flow of services to promote</u> <u>international trade in services.</u>

The Commerce & Industry Minister, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman outlined the relevance of facilitating trade in services as has been done in the case of trade in goods.

## <u>NCST Approves Proposal for Five</u> <u>Additional Seats for Tribals in Sikkim</u>

#### Assembly

National Commission for Schedule Tribes (NCST) has approved the proposal for five additional seat for tribals in Sikkim assembly.

# Delegates participating in the Commonwealth Auditors General Conference call on the President

The delegates participating in the Commonwealth Auditors General Conference called on the President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee today (March 23, 2017) at Rashtrapati Bhavan.