



## NE-SPARKS

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The Union Minister of Development of North Eastern Region interacted with school students from the **North Eastern Region (NER)** who participated in the **NE-SPARKS** program.

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- **About:** The 'North East Students' Programme for Awareness, Reach, and Knowledge on Space' (**NE-SPARKS**) is a flagship initiative to promote **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)** from **NER**.
- **Collaborative Effort:** It is supported by the **Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER)** in collaboration with the **8 North Eastern States, North Eastern Space Applications Centre (NESAC)-ISRO**.
- **Funding:** The program is funded by the **MDoNER** and the **state Govt.** in **60:40** ratio respectively. **NESAC is the nodal agency**.
- **Scale & Reach:** The program aims to facilitate **exposure visits** for **800 meritorious science students** (100 from each **NE state**) to **premier ISRO centres**, like those in **Bengaluru**.

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