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Press Release

**JMI'S CENTRE FOR NORTH EAST STUDIES AND POLICY RESEARCH BRINGS  
OUT A BOOK ON '*NORTHEAST INDIA AND INDIA'S ACT EAST POLICY:  
IDENTIFYING THE PRIORITIES*'**

Jamia Millia Islamia's, Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research, has brought out a book on '*Northeast India and India's Act East Policy: Identifying the Priorities*'.

The book is an attempt to bridge the knowledge deficit that exists in our understanding of the Northeast India vis-à-vis the Act East Policy. Much has been discussed about this policy in the context of Northeast India. However, the existing writings seldom spell out the priorities of different states of the region, and how the policy is being pursued by the present government of the country. Through this book, an attempt has been made to answer several relevant questions on Act East Policy.

Since its inception, the Look East Policy and now Act East Policy has undergone different phases under successive governments. It is therefore important to examine how the policy is being pursued by the present government. In addition, it is significant to examine the relevance of the policy from the local perspectives.

At the practical level, the book has helped to develop accurate and reliable information and provide the policy-makers with information that will allow them to implement more effective programmes at the grassroots level. Also, the book will be useful to policy planners and researchers interested in the subject of development, international relations and Northeast India.

The Book is an outcome of a two-day conference on 'India's Act East Policy: Needs and Priorities of North East India and Myanmar', which was organised at the Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi in collaboration with the Nehru Memorial Museum & Library, New Delhi. The conference drew participation by scholars and students from within India and abroad.

The funding for the said conference was made available through a generous grant received from the North Eastern Council, Government of India, meant for the "Upgradation of the Centre for North East Studies and Policy Research, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi".

In order to facilitate wider dissemination of the presentation made during the conference, 12 chapters (excluding the introductory chapter) were selected after a lengthy internal review and external refereeing, to publish as an edited book. The book entitled as 'Northeast India and India's Act East Policy: Identifying the Priorities' (edited by Prof. M. Amarjeet Singh), is published by Routledge, Oxon and New York (ISBN 978-0-367-25060-7(hbk)/978-0-429-28579-0(ebk) under the series Routledge Studies on Think Asia.

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