

Towards building a cohort of partners to scale rural development through mini-grids in Nagaland, MRDF along with Smart Power India (SPI) and GIZ, co-hosted a roundtable with NABARD, Dimapur Regional office on 10th November, 22 in order to build a coalition of progressive partners including District Administration Mon, Konyak Village Council, NABARD, North East Development Finance Corporation (NEDFi), World Resources Institute (WRI), Doen Foundation, Shell Foundation, Assist International (Caterpillar Foundation), The Banana Company(TBCO), NTTC, Kudatech Skill Center, ECS, The Better Life Foundation, Youthnet in order to work out a sustainable strategy to scale rural development powered by mini-grids in State of Nagaland, India.

The following key drivers impacting scale, were discussed at the Dimapur Roundtable:

- Entrepreneurship development
- Access to affordable finance
- Access to appropriate technology and agri-processing machines
- Access to markets, partnerships with market entities
- Project-level investors
- Innovative micro-business models
- Impact measurement
- Partnerships for increasing agricultural productivity (backward integration)

The Roundtable was attended by Development Finance Institutions (DFIs), market actors, banks, technology providers, agri-processing machine manufacturers, skill-building organisations, investors, and impact partners.

It was a resounding success!

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Attachment-3: Roundtable_Minigrids_Dimapur



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